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## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Miscellaneous.

### MARE SWEATS.

Mare, rising five years, high spirited, not very fleshy, will sometimes sweat, standing in bank-barn stable. Does it indicate disorder, or what? W. J.

Ans.—Some horses, particularly colts, sweat much more easily than others. This mare is likely just shedding her teeth, and may be somewhat weakened on that account. She likely also has a heavy coat of hair, and if kept in an overwarm or poorly-ventilated stable, is almost sure to sweat. Keep the stable well supplied with fresh air, groom her carefully, don't overwork, and feed well, and she should be all right.

### NAVICULAR DISEASE — CORN FOR COWS.

1. I have a registered Clyde mare, 18 years old, with navicular disease. She has been lame for nearly eight months, able to move about all right, but when she is worked she gets worse, and I would like to know whether anything can be done for her? If not, I will have her destroyed, as she is only a bill of expense to me in her present state.

2. Also, I would like to get a good veterinary book for the farmer, especially on the diseases of horses and cattle, and would like to know what you would recommend, and price of same.

3. Also, if it would pay me to trade my barley for corn, to feed dairy cows, barley and corn being the same price? I have a fulla hay, corn ensilage, and mangels, and have been feeding oat chop for concentrate, but feel I need something heavier.

H. M. R.  
Ans.—1. If treatment be adopted during the early stages, navicular disease may be cured, but once alteration of the structure of bone and tendon has taken place, a cure is impossible, although it is possible to give relief. On account of the age of this mare, and the time the disease has been developing, a cure is unlikely. If she is still any use for breeding purposes, take her shoes off, give rest, and pare the soles of the feet down well and lower the heels and blister the coronet repeatedly with a mixture of two drams each of biniodide of mercury and cantharides, mixed with two ounces of vaseline. Clip the hair off all around the coronet, and tie so she cannot bite the parts. Rub the blister well in on each of two days. On the third day, wash off and apply sweet oil. Let loose now and oil daily. When the scab comes off blister again.

2. A good book is "Diseases of Horses and Cattle," by McIntosh, which may be had through this office, at \$1.75, postpaid. Another is "The Farmer's Veterinarian," by C. W. Burkett, at \$1.50, postpaid, through this office.

3. With your roughage ration, you would not be justified in feeding corn exclusively as a grain ration. Good alfalfa hay is a great help in keeping up the protein end of the ration, and with good ensilage, makes a fairly well-balanced ration. Dairy cows do not give as good results on corn exclusively as upon mixed grains. If your ensilage does not contain a reasonable percentage of fairly well-matured ears, a part of the barley might be exchanged for corn. Why not feed a grain ration of corn, barley and oats, mixed, or of barley and oats mixed. Good ensilage, first-class alfalfa hay, and a grain ration of half barley and half oat chop, should be quite suitable. However, if the ensilage is not well eared, exchange a little of the barley for corn, and mix the three grains.

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