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Questions and Answers.
Miscellaneous.

Haltering a Colt.

What is the best way to halter-break
a colt about two and one-half months
old?

W. D.

Ans.—Get a good strong leather halter,
put it on him and tie him to a solid
manger until he ceases pulling. Tie
rather short. After he gives in and
does not pull he may be led around,
but do not let him get away.

Turkeys Die.

1. What is the cause of young turkeys
dying? They have been fed on small
grain, wheat and buckwheat, curd with
onions and beans, are a good size now,
quite as large as a small Dorking hen.
They stagger, wings drop on the ground,
feathers turn wrong way, head looks
withered and eyes nearly blind.

2. Where would you send a bird to
have it examined?

W. B.

Ans.—Send a bird to the Bacteriologi-
cal Department, O. A. C., Guelph, Ont.

Miscellaneous Queries.

1. What is the best method to loosen
up the soil in a heavy clay garden?

2. Is there anything that could be
used in a bedroom to kill bedbugs in the
walls?

3. When is the best time to set out
plum and sweet cherry trees, spring or
fall?

4. Would it be advisable to build a
tank over a kitchen used in summer, or
would the water freeze hard enough in
winter to spoil the tank?

5. How could the water be let down
in the kitchen to use in winter as well
as summer, as there is no warmth there
in winter?

G. G. M.

Ans.—1. Plow down a heavy coat of
long, strawy manure, or a crop of
clover.

2. Close the doors and windows tight-
ly and burn a pot of sulphur in the
room for several hours. This has been
known to be very effective.

3. Either fall or spring. Most peo-
ple prefer spring setting.

4. It depends somewhat on the pro-
tection it has, but a large tank would
not be likely to freeze to do damage if
properly built and used.

5. Buy a pipe. If a large supply of
water is available leave it running just
a little and it will not freeze. The pipe
might be encased in a wooden box filled
with protecting material.

Alfalfa Queries—Lump on Mare.

1. What crop of alfalfa is left for
seed?

2. Will it damage the alfalfa for next
year's cutting to let it go to seed?

3. How long after it comes in bloss-
som does it take the seed to mature?

4. If the crop looks as if it was not
going to be good for seed, say in two
or three weeks after it blossoms when
it would be too late to cut for feed,
what would be best to do with it?

5. Have a mare 11 years old; has her
third colt. Was running in the pasture
and had not been worked for about three
weeks. I noticed a lump the size of a
goose egg just in front and level with
her flank. I put my hand on it and it
went in. I think myself it is a rup-
ture. What would be the best to do
with it? She is not bred.

D. M.

Ans.—1. The second.

2. The alfalfa should come on all
right after being cut for seed. Of
course seed producing tends to weaken
any plant, but the alfalfa should do all
right again next season if it is a good
stand now.

3. This depends wholly upon condi-
tions of soil, season and climate. Cut
when the greater portion of the seeds are
hard, but not ripe enough to shell. The
majority of the pods are then a dark
brown color, and the seeds are fully
developed.

4. Possibly it would be wise to let
it go and take a chance on the seed be-
ing a paying crop.

5. Find out definitely whether or not
it is hernia. If it is, it would likely be
advisable to cease breeding. Very little
can be done for this trouble.

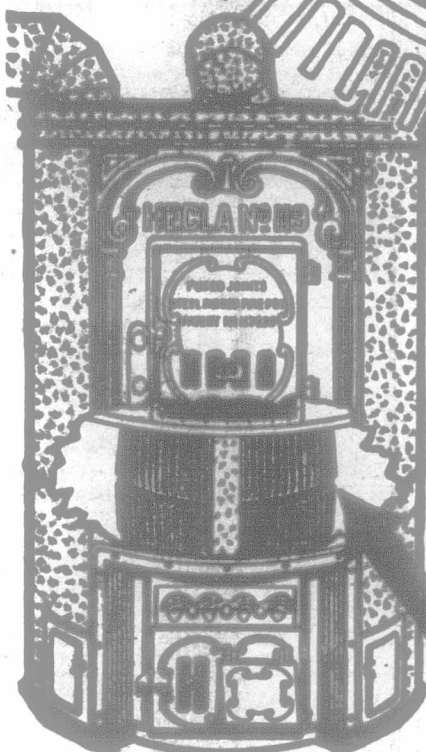
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