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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Miscellaneous.

A FREE-MARTIN.

I noticed in "The Farmer's Advocate" a question about a heifer failing to breed, and he called it a free-martin. Will you kindly explain what is a free-martin? Is it that she will not breed, or that she will have no milk? I have twin heifers (grade Holsteins) that were two years old last June, and large enough to have had calves last summer, but are still barren. Our other heifers, same age, have had calves, and are good milkers. D. M.

Ans.—A free-martin is a heifer calf twinned with a bull, in which case the heifer is generally imperfect sexually, and does not come in heat, and, consequently, is barren. In odd cases the heifer so twinned does come in season and proves a breeder. The bull twinned with a heifer is usually as sure a breeder as one born singly, and twin heifers are as likely to prove breeders as those born singly. If your twin heifers take the bull, it is likely they will yet breed, and we would not advise disposing of them until after a fair and fuller trial.

SHORT COURSE IN STOCK - JUDGING AT 0. A. C.

Kindly give me information regarding a short course in stock-judging at the Ontario Agricultural College this winter. To whom should I apply for admission?

Ans.-A two weeks' course in stock and seed judging will commence on January 8th. No tuition fee will be charged, nor entrance examination required. Board and lodging may be had in the vicinity of the college and in the city of Guelph at \$3 to \$3.50 per week. From 8.30 to 9.40 a. m. of each day will be spent in lectures on seed selection and the best methods of cleaning seed, and in judging grain, grass and fodder-crop seed, and in the identification of weed seeds. This part of the course is under charge of Prof. C. A. Zavitz, Professor of Field Husbandry. From 9.45 until noon, and from 1.30 to 4 p. m., each day, practical work in judging horses, cattle, sheep and swine will be taken up. There will

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Veterinary.

FATALITY IN CATTLE.

I lost three head of cattle last week—a cow and two steers. The disease commences with diarrhoa, and they become weak in their hind legs. The fæces are dark green in color. They died in about 48 hours after the first symptoms. A post-mortem revealed yellow blubber and fluid about the kidneys, and the gall bladder full of a dark-colored substance with small lumps through it. A. S.

Ans.—The symptoms indicate poisoning by arsenic. Is there any way in which they could have eaten Paris green? There must be some local cause that acted on all, as their deaths were so close. There is practically no cure for poisoning, unless a stomach pump is used at once. Large doses of the hydrated sesquioxide of iron, made by precipitating tineture of iron with ammonia, is the physiological antidote, but it must be administered at once after the poison is taken to have any effect. If there was no opportunity for the cattle to get poison, the disease must be of a contagious nature, and more definite symptoms are needed to diagnose. If any more fatalities occur, I would advise you to notify the Dept. of Agriculture, (mtawa, and a man will be sent to

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