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Questions and Answers. Miscellaneous.

Warping.

What will straighten cross pieces that have been warped by coal or gas ranges?

J. M. G.

Ans.—We do not know what is meant by cross pieces. If they are metal, they could be straightened if heated. If wood, it is more than likely that they cannot be successfully straightened again.

School Section.

I am a resident of the county of Prescott and a supporter of a public school. A farmer resident in the county of Glengarry near our school bought a parcel of land 30 x 40 feet in our school section for \$25. He bought this purposely to have the right to send his children to our school. Our average assessment in the section is \$2,500. He will be assessed about \$50. Has he the right to send his children to our school by paying 60c. taxes, when the supporters in the section pay \$26 on the average?

J. B.

Ans.—As a property holder in the school section, yes.

Skunks.

I am going to start a skunk farm. Can you give me any information about their habits? Do they burrow in the ground themselves, or do they use groundhog holes? Any information regarding feeding and fencing and shelter would be gladly received.

F. R.

Ans.—Skunks are very often found in groundhog holes or rabbit holes. The female will kill a rabbit, and then stay in the hole and make her lair, in which she rears her young, usually five to eight in number. We know of a skunk farmer who keeps his skunks in ventilated cement vaults, built in a side hill near a stream. For feed, they must have meat. Some get dead animals and keep the meat for the purpose. In natural conditions they eat birds, farm poultry, mice, rats, rabbits, snakes, lizards, etc.

Corn Meal for Horses—Manure.

1. Is corn meal good for young horses, mixed with bran and oat chop?
2. What is the difference in the value of manure put out in the winter and in the spring, considering time and cost of labor, having nothing to do in the winter time?

E. M.

Ans.—1. A little should do no harm. However, in the United States, where considerable corn is fed to horses, it is generally fed shelled, or right on the cob, feeders believing that there is little gained by grinding.

2. The labor question outweighs any extra loss which might take place by spreading manure on the snow, unless the fields are very rolling and likely to wash, or the manure contains a great many noxious weed seeds which should be destroyed by heating. As a general thing, winter is the time to draw manure.

Rape With Grain—Right to Drain.

1. Would it be advisable to sow rape with spring grain in order to produce a pasture for cows after the grain is harvested? Would the stand of grain be apt to be lessened? What thickness would you advise sowing to give good pasture?

B. B.

2. A tile ditch runs through my neighbor's farm into which I have about six acres of land also drained. Can I drain more land into this ditch without being interfered with by my neighbor? The ditch was in the first place laid by an engineer.

Ans.—1. Some farmers do this with excellent results, but it depends largely on the season. Five or six pounds of rape per acre will be sufficient, and the grain crop is not lessened materially. We should like to have the experience of some farmer with this practice.

2. When an engineer lays out a ditch he allots to each the amount he should pay according to the area of land draining into that ditch. All lands falling towards the ditch have been assessed, and you are entitled to drain those lands in the award ditch. If it requires a new communication to be established between your fields and the ditch, it may be necessary to take the matter up with your neighbor, but that would not be necessary where the old-established waterway is to be used.

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