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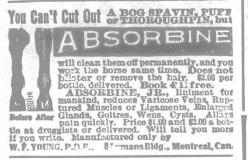
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## Questions and Answers. Veterinary.

Temporary Swellings.

I have been driving a colt since last fall. A few weeks ago, two swellings appeared on back, where the back - pad rests. I applied liniment, and they disappeared. One then formed on his withers, but it also yielded to treatment. Now, another has appeared at the seat of the first, V. S. Ans .- These are caused by friction of the harness, or bruises from some cause. Treat this one as you did the others, and arrange the harness so as to avoid friction. As he appears predisposed to this trouble, give him a purgative of 8 drams aloes and 2 drams ginger, and follow up with 3 drams nitrate of

potassium twice daily for two days. V. Rupture. Aged horse fell on small stump. When he got up there was a lump half the size of a man's head on his flank.

H. A. S. Ans .- This is called ventral hernia, or rupture. He fell with such force that the stump forced the skin through the abdominal walls, and allowed the escape of a portion of the intestines. Treatment is often unsuccessful. It consists in casting the patient, cutting through the skin, returning the intestine, stitch ing the opening in the abdominal wall then stitching the wound in skin, applying a bandage around the body, and

dressing twice daily with an antiseptic. It requires a veterinarian to operate. The horse may live for years and work well as he is, while at any time, due to severe muscular exertion, the opening may enlarge and make matters worse. V

## Miscellaneous.

## Species of Sweet Clover.

1. In your issue of February 20th, we noticed an article relating to "Sweet" "Bokhara" clover, written by C. Witts. We have been inquiring from our eedsman, and he tells us there are two kinds, the white and yellow blossom. Could you give us any information as to which kind would be the better?

2. Do you think this would be a proftable kind of clover to sow? 3. Where could we get reliable seed?

D. C. Ans.-1. There are two species of sweet clover, viz., Melilotus alba (whiteflowered sweet clover), and Melilotus officinalis (the yellow-flowered). Melilotus alba is also called Bokhara clover, and is, we believe, the species favored for cropping purposes.

2. We are not much enamored of sweet clover as a crop, except as a means of soil improvement. If, for instance, we had a washy, clay hillside, which we leguminous under vished to put or a poor field on which it was difficult to get a stand of ordinary clover, we would try sweet clover. There is no doubt but that cattle can be taught to eat it, and do fairly well upon it, but as a feed crop, we prefer red clover or alfalfa. 3. Seed may usually be obtained from one or more of the seedsmen regularly advertising in these columns. Write them.



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