

Questions and Answers. Miscellaneous.

Hens Die.

For some time my hens have been dying, showing the following symptoms: Get lame at first, then gradually droop, and die. They are on a low roost, and have plenty of straw under them. Have been feeding the best of wheat. What is cause, and also cure? M. I.

Ans.—Is the pen damp? Lameness is often a result of rheumatism. Tuberculosis also often shows first symptoms in the form of lameness. Perform a post-mortem examination on the next bird which dies, or kill one of the most badly affected birds for this purpose, and if the liver is found enlarged and covered with yellowish or whitish lesions, you may be sure the disease is tuberculosis. In any case, isolate diseased birds. Clean and whitewash the pen, using carbolic acid in five-per-cent. solution in the material. Let in plenty of light, and give the birds plenty of grit, green feed, meat feed, and clean water or skim milk, in addition to the wheat.

Worms in Pregnant Mare.

We have a mare that is due to foal in June that is badly troubled with worms. All the treatments that I have been able to find have aloe in them, and I notice most of the writers on horse troubles say never to use this drug with in-foal mares. W. M. W.

Ans.—Take 3 ounces each of sulphate of iron, sulphate of copper, and tartar emetic and calomel. Mix, and make into 24 powders. Give a powder night and morning in damp food. Do not give aloe. After the last powder has been given, feed only bran for eight to ten hours, and if a purgative seems necessary, try 1½ pints of raw linseed oil, and feed bran only for twenty-four hours longer. If the mare is anywhere near foaling, do not treat until afterwards. It is sometimes not necessary in the case of in-foal mares to give the linseed oil, and where this is the case, do not give it. Purgatives should be avoided with pregnant mares.

Tubercular Contagion—Line Fence Division.

1. If a man has to kill a bull or cow because it has tuberculosis, and he does not bury the animal, will a cow catch the disease pasturing in the field where the dead bull is, or in the next one to it?

2. There is a line fence between A and B which has never been divided. A wants it divided, and B has drawn a lot of stone and thrown them up next to the fence at one end. Can B take the end that he wants, or will he have to take the end where the stones are? T. E. D.

Ans.—Tuberculosis is a contagious disease, and all animals which have been slaughtered, or die a natural death from it, should be buried or burned. In burying them, it would be well to use a little quicklime. Under no circumstances should a dead carcass be allowed to waste away unburied, and especially in or near fields where other stock are kept.

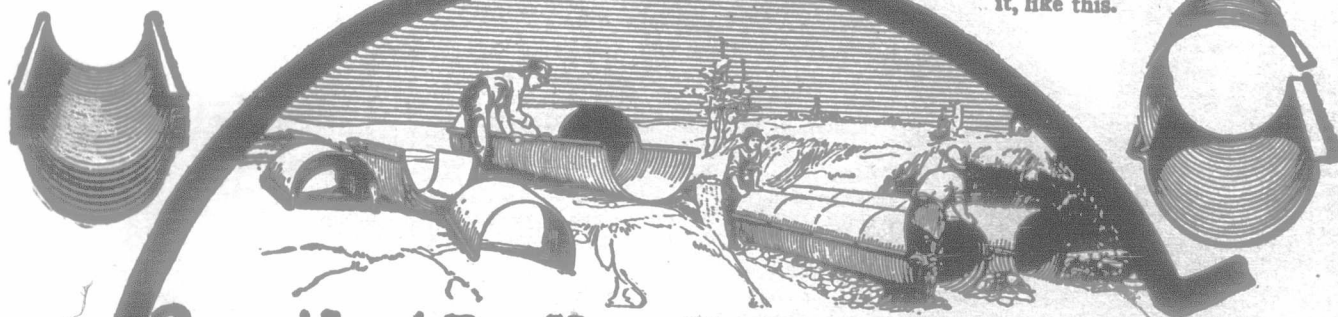
2. This is a case for your local fence-viewers to decide if you cannot agree between yourselves. All you will require to do, provided your fence is in the right place, is to call in the fence-viewers of your district, in the municipality in which you live, and they will apportion the fence for you.

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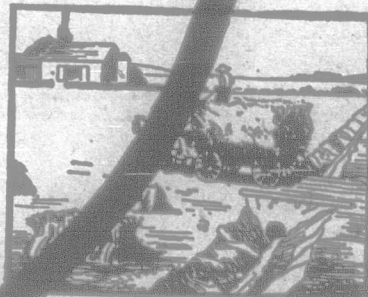
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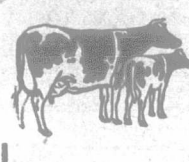
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