

Questions and Answers. Miscellaneous.

Yeast Treatment.

Could you again publish in your paper the recipe for the yeast treatment? J. P.

Ans.—What is known as the yeast treatment may give the desired results if the heifer is physically all right. Mix an ordinary cake of yeast to a paste with a little warm water and allow to stand for 12 hours in a moderately warm place, then stir in one pint of freshly-boiled luke-warm water, and allow to stand for another eight or ten hours. The mixture will then be ready for use, and the entire quantity should be injected into the vagina of the animal to be bred. Use the mixture when period of heat is first noticed and breed when period is about ended.

Lame Colt.

I have a three-year-old colt which went lame on one front leg last spring. The lameness left that leg and went to the other. I had him shod, but it does not relieve the trouble. This fall he went lame on one hind leg. The trouble seems to be in his foot. A gathering formed at the hoof head and broke. The horse is in good condition. What treatment do you advise? T. B.

Ans.—The symptoms of lameness are not definitely given. Consequently, we are unable to diagnose the case. Apparently the colt has gone lame on all fours at one time or another this summer. Lameness may result from different diseases of leg and foot. It is advisable to have your local veterinarian examine the animal so as to locate the seat of trouble.

Tuberculosis—Cistern—College Course.

I have a flock of hens that were well fed and had free range over the farm, yet they appear drowsy and do not lay. The heads are pale and several have gone lame. What is the cause?

2. I purpose digging a cistern outdoors near the house. Will 6 feet from the cellar wall cause trouble from water soaking into the cellar? How many bricks will be required to build it? Should it be plastered on the inside?

3. Would a two or three-weeks course at Guelph be of benefit to a young farmer who is interested in live stock?

4. Do the agricultural colleges teach just one course a month? To whom should I make application for entry?

5. What strains of pigs are used to get the improved Yorkshire?

6. I secured a sample of potatoes and peas from the Department of Agriculture and had good results. A neighbor tells me I must send in a report of my crop. Where should this report be sent? G. L.

Ans.—1. The symptoms are those of tuberculosis, a disease which is very difficult to treat. Isolate the diseased birds from the main flock, and you might almost as well kill and bury them. Keep the healthy birds in a dry, well-ventilated building that is free from drafts. Thoroughly clean and disinfect the hen house and yards.

2. There should be no danger from a cistern 6 feet from the house wall. In fact, with many cisterns the house wall is used for one wall of the cistern. In regard to the number of bricks, we cannot answer this as the dimensions of the cistern are not given. It will be necessary to plaster the cistern on the inside, and cement mortar might be used in laying the brick. Many use concrete for constructing a cistern.

3. It should be of great benefit. A two-weeks course in stock and seed judging is held every winter at the O. A. C. Guelph.

4. A regular course of study is put on in which a number of subjects are taught. Lectures are given on these subjects several times a week. In the Short Courses extending over a period of two weeks, the lectures are confined to certain subjects.

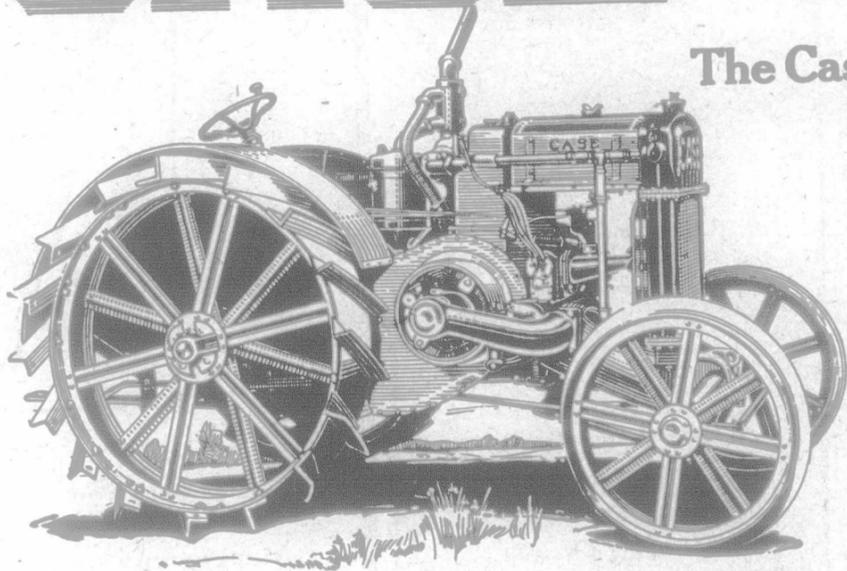
5. The improved Yorkshire is developed by careful selection and breeding of the Yorkshire. This selection has developed a little different type to the Yorkshire as it was known in the years gone by.

6. When the Department sends out seeds it usually asks that a report be sent in. If you secured the potatoes and peas from Guelph, the report would go to Dr. Zavitz; if the material came from Ottawa, the report should be sent to the Experimental Farm, Ottawa.

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