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STIFF IN JOINT.

Mare is stiff in fore leg. When started she drops her toe, but soon gets all right.

C. R.

Ans.—The symptoms indicate inflammation of the shoulder joint. Give her rest. Clip the hair off joint, and blister with 2 drams biniodide of mercury and cantharides, mixed with 2 ounces vaseline. Tie so that she cannot bite the part. Rub the blister in well once daily for two days. On the third day apply sweet oil, and turn loose in a box stall. Oil every day until the hair grows again. If necessary repeat the blistering in a month.

V.

OPHTHALMIA—RINGBONE.

1. Mare's eyes discharge a great deal of fluid; and sometimes there appears to be a scum over them.

2. Horse has ringbone. We had it fired, but he is still lame. We do not want to punish him again unless certain of a cure.

W. P. F.

Ans.—1. This is periodic ophthalmia, and it is probable it will result in blindness from cataract. Recurrence of the trouble cannot be prevented. Treatment consists in keeping in comfortable, partially darkened stall. Get a lotion made of 10 grains sulphate of zinc and 10 drops fluid extract of belladonna, mixed with 2 ounces distilled water. Bathe eyes four times daily with hot water, and after bathing put a few drops of the lotion into each.

2. There is no sure cure for ringbone. In most cases, when firing has not effected a cure, a second firing is successful, but there is no surety of this. In such cases, the lameness can be cured by an operation by a veterinarian, which consists in removing the nerve supply to the foot. This does not cure the disease, but cures lameness by removing sensation.

V.

MISCELLANEOUS.

1. Three-months-old calf fed on milk and bran, refuses to eat the bran. He sweats a great deal, arches his back, and breathes heavily.

2. Another calf apparently all right was dead in an hour.

3. Another, three weeks old, refused his drink and gritted his teeth. I killed him.

4. A horse has a swelling the size of a hen's egg under his lower jaw. It looks like a ringworm.

N.

Ans.—1. This is indigestion. Purge him with 8 ounces raw linseed oil, and feed a little chopped oats with the hulls sifted out, and a little linseed meal instead of bran.

2. It is not possible to say, without definite symptoms, what caused death. It probably choked to death, or ruptured an internal blood vessel. A careful post-mortem would have revealed the cause of death.

3. This was also indigestion. Treatment as advised for No. 1 would probably have saved it.

4. Ringworms are not like this. There is no tumor, and practically no elevation of the skin from ringworm. This is either a tumor or an abscess. If the former, it should be dissected out by a veterinarian; if the latter, it should be lanced, and then the cavity flushed out three times daily until healed with a five-per-cent. solution of carbolic acid. V.

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