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T. E., Colchester Co., N. S. establishment a few years ago; like the homes for aged horses that have been established in many parts of America through the mistaken kindness of philanthropic rich ladies. kindness of philanthropic rich laties. The veterinary hospital, however, has a useful place to fill. Horses are too valuable to be allowed to die, if veterinary skill can save them, and n these hospitals the horses are continually under the eye of a skilled veterinarian. We have such a hospital in any under the eye of a skilled veter-inarian. We have such a hospital in our country town, Truro, completed in November, 1914. Perhaps some Farm and Dairy readers would be interested in knowing just what a vet-erinary hospital is like. Here is a

description of the one in our town The construction is almost entirely of concrete. On the ground floor is the stable, which will accommodate from 12 to 16 patients. This stable, heated by hot water, is entirely of con-crete and steel. The feed boxes are of metal and very easily sterilized. The box stall fronts are topped by ironbox stall fronts are topped by iron-grille work which allows the light to pass freely through. In the ceiling, over each stall, are iron rings to which slings may be attached, if re-quired. The stable is absolutely fire-proof, there being no wood in it ex-cept the window sanks and doors. There is a splendid drainage system and the maximum consequence. and the manure from the stable is kept in a covered concrete bin which is emptied once or twice weekly.

An easy run, constructed of concrete and covered with sand to prevent slip-ping, leads to the second floor which contains the office, laboratory, operatring room, harness an carriage rooms.

The operating room, 2 feet square, is well lighted and contains an Equine

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The hospital has been well patronized since its opening, and there is every indication that the live stock owners of this vicinity greatly appreciate the fact that they have situated in their midst one of the most modern

ting about the improvement of its live stock in the best way, the coopera-tive way. The United Stock Breeders' Association of that county has al-ready been instrumental in dispring 19 pure bred bulls into the county. The plan is this: Eight farners liv-ing near together form a local club. Each one subscribes \$20, which is:

turned into the parent association, which in turn furnishes the local club with the kind of a bull it wants. One

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A sick horse in a veterinary hospital has the same advantage as a sick person in a hospital for human sufferers.—both are constantly under the eye of an experi practitioner. The McLean Veterinary Hospital, here illustrated, located in Truro, N.S. is said to be the first hospital of its kind in the Maritime Province.

and best veterinary hospitals in of the members of the club keeps the bull and receives \$30 a year in payment. A service fee of \$1 is

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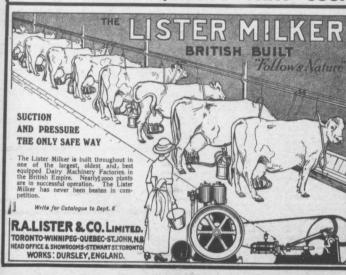
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