THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

Curious-tempered Horses.

Observations on the above subject are interesting evidences of the great fact that so many horses possess quaint kinks of character that it would probably be a good thing for owners if we tried to lay our heads together and endeavor to ascertain the causes which lead to some of the peculiarities which result in annoyance and possibly loss. I once wrote to you that a groom, a man of very wide experience and of an observant character, had told me of a case of a harness horse he once had under his care that would never get up of a morning until he chose to. Everybody about the stable had a turn at the perverse-tempered brute, but ^a get on his legs he would not, even though he was dragged out of his stall into the yard and left to lie in the snow. No doubt this was an extra cunning horse, and he was also a bit of a thinker, as there was a considerable amount of method in his singular behavior, for he usually got up fast enough after the carriage in which he should have been at work had left the yard. Now, I am absolutely convinced as to the correctness of my informant, and can, therefore, point to the case of the lie-a-bed horse as an instance of my theory that a horse is not such a fool as some people would have us believe. If he is the dull-witted animal he is believed to be in some quarters, of course it would be a sheer waste of time to attempt to fathom the workings of a mind which, under the circumstances would be non-existent ; but, on the other hand, a good deal might be accomplished if the causes which produce certain effects could be traced to their sources. No doubt some, horses are more intelligent than others, but the dullards and the most acute ones are the exceptions, and it is the preponderating middle-class that must interest the majority of us. There is a cause of some sort or other for everything; therefore, there must be a certain reason more or less definite for a sudden change of temperament or habit in à horse, and if this could be ascertained it is quite possible that he might be broken of a habit which depreciates his value by many a pound.

It appears to me that it is very possible that the fact that a horse can be controlled by reins and other gear whilst he is being ridden or driven has caused successive generations of breakers to neglect the development of any natural gift of reasoning that he might happen to possess. Indeed, a horse is not encouraged to act upon his own initiative at all, and often suffers punishment for obeying a sudden impulse. Consequently his intelligence suffers in comparison with that of a dog, which is scarcely fair upon the horse, as dog breakers know that they have no practical control over the movements of their pupils when at work, and consequently do all in their power to develop the reasoning powers of the latter. Is it at all remarkable, therefore, that people draw invidious comparisons between the mental development of the two I do not deny for a mo that the brain of a horse may be smaller than it should be in proportion to his size, but surely that is no valid reason for people refusing to try to develop the allowance of intelligence he possesses, and adapting it to their own advantage. Very likely the latent brain power may not be great, but that fact does not necessitate its being allowed to remain in that unsatisfactory state. Bad breaking and bad stable management have had a great deal to do with making the horse the alleged fool he is, and a little care and consideration devoted to the study of his peculiarities would be well spent. The very existence of such peculiarities disproves the theory that he is merely an automaton, and consequently there are grounds for believing that if efforts were made to understand the workings of a horse's mind, and if the information gained were made the most of owners would be spared many of the annoyances and inconveniences which they at present have to endure. If people would endeavor to rely less upon powerful, and very often oppressive mechanical contrivances, and more upon his intelligence, in the management of their horses, there would be an improvement in the manners of the latter, and I firmly believe that in due born fool would be removed from the equine race - Exchange.

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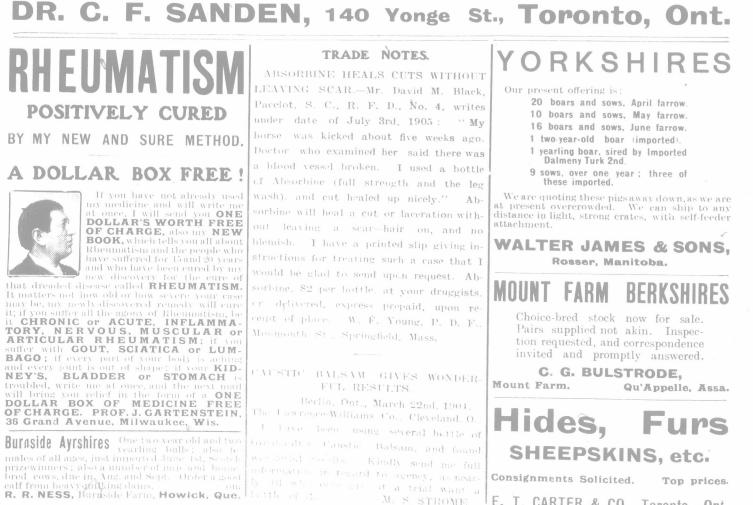
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