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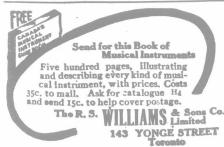
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SPINAL TROUBLE.

There is something wrong with the back of my four-months-old colt. He has difficulty in backing, and in doing so drags his hind feet. He can go forward, but when turning around he staggers and nearly falls. He can run, but if he makes a misstep or endeavors to stop quickly, his back sways and swings. When moving forward he gets somewhat

Ans.—This is chronic spinitis, sometimes called in horses locomotor ataxia. A perfect recovery is doubtful, and in most cases, even a partial recovery is slow. In some cases the recovery is perfect. Keep him as quiet as possible in a box stall, feed on laxative food, and give him 10 grains nux vomica three times daily.

Miscellaneous.

MISCELLANEOUS QUERIES.

1. Want to build, or erect, a tank. What would be best kind to build, cement, wood, or galvanized iron? I was thinking of building a cement tank outside barn. What would be best way to protect it from freezing?

2. Want to build a cement wall under my barn. Barn is 54 x 34 feet. How many loads or yards of gravel would it take, wall to be 8 feet high; also how many barrels of cement?

3. Have a young Durham bull seven months old. Have him weaned. What is the best feed to feed him to keep him thriving well?

4. Have some pigs. They have a kind of a dry, wheezing cough. would be best to do for them?

5. Have a heavy draft horse, four years old. He has an itch in his legs. They get thick and swollen. What would be best way to fit him up for G. A. W.

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2. About 60 cubic yards of gravel and 50 barrels of cement, the cement being used in proportions of 1:8. This does not allow anything to speak of for the foundation footing, which you should provide.

3. Corn silage or fodder, clover hay, crushed oats or mixed chop and bran. A few turnips, too, if you have them.

4. Curative treatment consists in purging with 8 drams aloes and 2 drams ginger, prepared by a druggist, and given as a ball, feeding bran mashes till purged. Follow up with 11 ounces Fowler's Solution of Arsenic twice daily for a week. Local treatment consists in applying warm poultices of linseed meal, with a little powdered charcoal, every six or seven hours for a couple of days and nights, and then applying three times daily a lotion of one ounce each of acetate of lead and sulphate of zinc, and two drams carbolic acid to a pint of water.

5. This is evidently thumps, the result of too much rich food and too little exercise. They should have liberty to get out on the ground for exercise. Feed should consist of a fair proportion of bran or ground oats, or both where stronger meal is used. A teaspoonful each of sulphur given in milk, and greasy swill, is recommended to move the bowels and work upon the blood.

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