

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Miscellaneous.

WORMS.

1. Spring colt has worms, and a mare also has them. What would you advise giving him, and how much?
2. What amount would you give the mare?

J. F. F.

Ans.—1. Take four drams each of sulphate of iron, sulphate of copper, tartar emetic, and calomel; mix, and make into 12 powders. Give him a powder every night and morning. After the last has been taken, give him a purgative of half a pint of raw linseed oil. Feed bran only for twenty-four hours after giving purgative.

2. For the mare, use 1½ ounces of each ingredient named above and make into eighteen powders. Give a powder every night and morning in damp food. After the last powder has been taken, give 1½ pints raw linseed oil.

CRIBBER.

Colt coming two years old has been cribbing while in the field this summer. He does not gain much, and has looked thin all summer. What is the cause, and can he be stopped? Have tried a strap around his neck, but it doesn't stop him.

A SUBSCRIBER.

Ans.—Cribbing is a vice that is very hard to check. The method you have adopted is the best one. In the majority of cases, the vice can be checked by buckling a strap rather tightly around the horse's throat, not so tight as to interfere with breathing or swallowing, but sufficiently tight to prevent expansion of the throat, which occurs while cribbing. Some drive sharp tacks in the strap in order to prick him when he commences to crib. Of course, this device is effectual while on only. Daubing the mangers with a solution of aloes or other foul-tasting material may be helpful.

A blank crop report was sent out by a Cleveland paper for the farmers to fill out, and the other day one of them came back with the following written on the blank side with a pencil:

"All we've got in this neighborhood is three widders, two schoolma'ams, a patch of wheat, the hog cholera, too much rain, about fifty acres of 'taters, and a durn fool who married a cross-eyed gal because she owns eighty sheep and a mule, which the same is me, and no more at present."

"I reckon," said the first farmer, "that I get up earlier than anyone in this neighborhood. I am always up before three o'clock in the morning."

The second farmer said he was always up before then and had part of the chores done. The first farmer thought he was a liar, and decided to find out. A few mornings later he got up at two o'clock and went to the neighbor's house. He rapped on the back door, and the woman of the house opened it.

"Where is your husband?" asked the farmer, expecting to find the neighbor in bed.

"He was around here early in the morning," answered the wife, "but I don't know where he is now."

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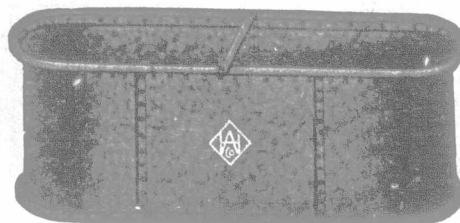
P. T. BARNUM.

No answer came. On the third day he passed through a small town where Bailey was to show on the following day. Every billboard in town was plastered with monster reproductions of his identical message and signature, mixed in with the usual advertising of the Bailey show. With a grin, Barnum turned to his assistants.

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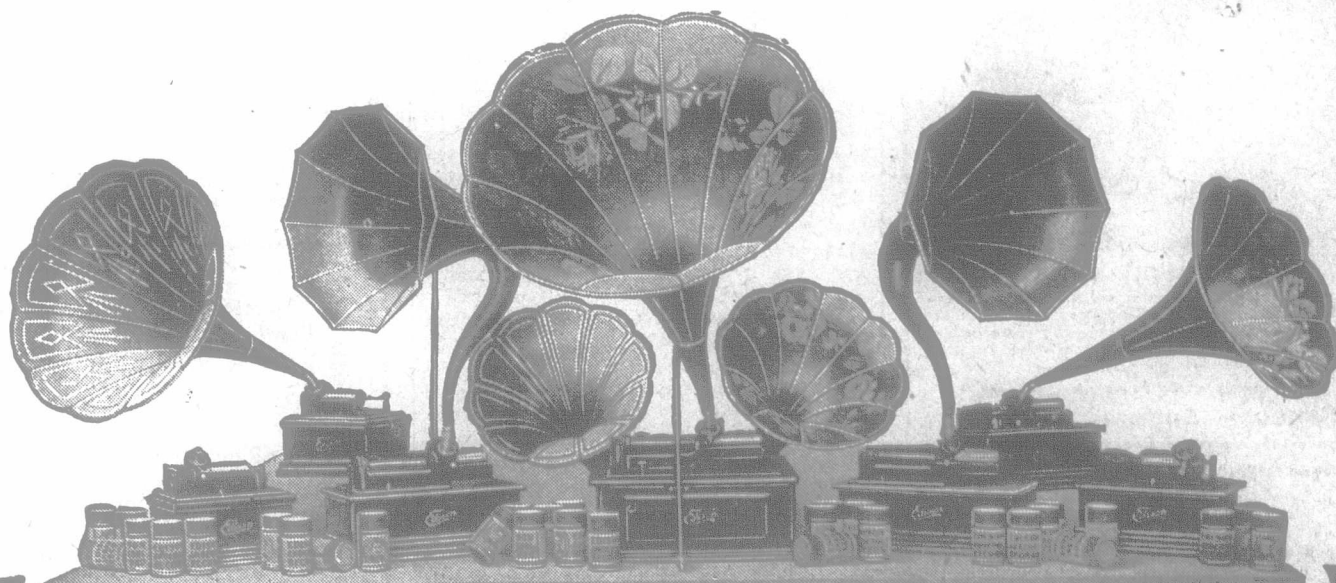
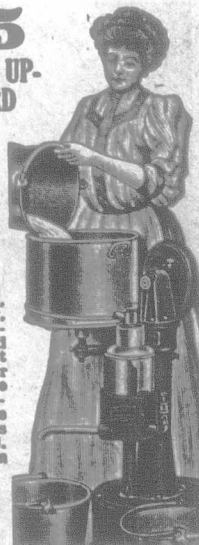
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