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SPRING VALLEY SHORTHORNS Canadian-bred and imported. Females all ages. Also a few good YORKSHIRES—boars and sows.

THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

OUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Miscellaneous.

OUTDOOR WHITEWASH.

Give a recipe for whitewash for outside buildings. J. R. C. Ans .-- Quicklime, 1 peck, slake; add

lb. common salt; ½ lb. sulphate of zinc (white vitriol); 2 quarts sweet milk. Dissolve the salt and white vitriol before adding. Mix with sufficient water to give the proper consistency. Apply as soon as possible.

PRUNING GRAPE VINE.

Kindly inform me when and how a Niagara grape vine should be pruned. N. M.

Ans .-- Grape vines should be pruned in fall or winter when the wood is dormant. In your locality, where the vines are liable to winter-killing, they should be pruned in the fall, and be laid down and covered with a few inches of earth, or if done shortly after the ground begins to freeze, a few clods of earth can be placed on them to hold them down, and the snow will serve as a protection. In sections where thaws are likely to occur during the winter, it is safer to cover with earth. The Fuller system of pruning would likely be the best suited for your district. The vines the first year should be cut off within 8 or 10 inches of the ground at the time of transplanting, and during the summer two of the main canes should be trained along the ground, one each side of the vine, and these should be cut back at the end of the season to four or five feet. If the vines do not make this much growth the first season, they should be cut back close to the main vine and induced to grow such canes the following season. The laterals from these main branches should be trained upward upon the trellis, which should be at least five feet in height. After the vines have reached full size in the course of three or four years, the annual pruning consists mainly in cutting out each alternate lateral and shortening any that are left to five or six buds, so as to leave about fifty new buds on the entire vine.

ABORTION.

I have a five-year-old cow that gave birth two years ago last June to a wellmatured heifer calf, which was dead when we first saw it. Evidently, the cow did not kill it, for she was very much attached to her dead offspring, but since then she has aborted three times. her periods of pregnancy varying from three to five months. In pursuance of an old prescription I had for abortion, or the prevention thereof, I gave her one teaspoonful daily of viberanum pronifolium (black haw) during her last period of pregnancy. She is a registered Shorthorn, a straight Nonpareil, and ideal in conformation, disposition, and color; also a fairly good milker, giving from three to four quarts twice a day ever since her first calving. Her last escape occurred about three weeks ago. She is in good condition, and milking better than usual. Do you think there is any hope or chance of her ever breeding again? If so, please advise me, and l shall gratefully appreciate it. L A. W. Ans .- Some cows acquire the habit of aborting at a certain period of gestation, and this cow seems to have contracted the habit. The habit is very hard to correct. It is advisable in such cases not to breed the animal again for some time. From five to seven months, and even longer, should elapse before the next breeding, and she would be better if allowed to go dry during this time. After breeding, treat her very kindly, and when she reaches that stage of pregnancy at which she has aborted several times, viz .: from three to five months, keep her very quiet in a partially darkened box stall, feed on sloppy food, and watch closely. If she shows any symptoms of aborting, give her 3 ounces tincture of opium in a pint of cold water as a drench, and repeat the dose in three hours, or longer if the symptoms indicate the necessity. It is imperative that she be kept very quiet, and be fed on wholesome, easily - digested food. She may, if treated in this manner, produce a living calf, but in case she aborts again, after every possible precaution has been taken, it is not likely that she will ever make a successful breeder.

IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE OF PURE-BRED STOCK Shorthorns, Clydesdales, Sheep and Swine THE PROPERTY OF MESSRS. McFARLANE & FORD, DUTTON, ONT.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31st, 1911

Shorthorns consist of 30 females and 8 bulls, including the stock bull, Blossom's Joy, by imp. Joy of Morning. In Clydesdales, the imported mare, Sonora, in foal to British Lion, and her yearling colt, Prince Charles, by Keir Democrat, imp. [7018] (12187). Also Hackney mare, Grace Buller, in foal to Jubilee Chief 2122, E. H. S. B., Vol. VI, and her foal by Diamond Jubilee. 50 head registered Oxford Down sheep, both sexes. A number of Lincoln ram lambs. Pure bred Berkshire boar and two sows. Sale will commence at 1 o'clock p. m. sharp. Terms: 6 months' credit on approved joint notes, or good bank references. 6 per cent. per annum off for cash. Trains will be met at Dutton, M. C. R., from east 8.31 a. m., from west 9.32 a. m. and 11.57 a. m.; on Pere Marquette from east 7.58 a. m., from west 10.30 a. m. Lunch served. For catalogues and further particulars write :

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A Southern exchange announces that in one of the counties of its State "Frances Huckle has married Francis Berry." Frankly speaking, may we not reasonably expect a fair crop of huckleberries in the aforesaid county ?





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