

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

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Veterinary.

PÆMIA IN LAMBS.

I have two lambs with swollen heads, and there are lumps about the size of plums; some have broken. W. J. M.

Ans.—Eruptive diseases of this nature are rare in lambs. It is a species of blood poisoning, and may be contagious. Isolate the affected. As soon as pus forms, lance the abscesses, and dress with a five-per-cent. solution of carbolic acid until healed. Give each 30 grains hyposulphite of soda, dissolved in a little water, as a drench daily. V.

ERUPTIVE DISEASE IN PIGS.

Some of my pigs, two weeks old, have scales on head and front legs. Two have lumps of cheesy matter on the bone of jaw, inside lips, and two have similar lumps on their feet. Other litter are all right. P. McD.

Ans.—This is an eruptive disease that may be contagious. Isolate affected litter. Dress the skin twice weekly with Little's Sheep Dip, and give, internally, once daily, 15 drops Zenoleum diluted in 2 ozs. water. Disinfect the premises in which they are kept before introducing fresh stock. V.

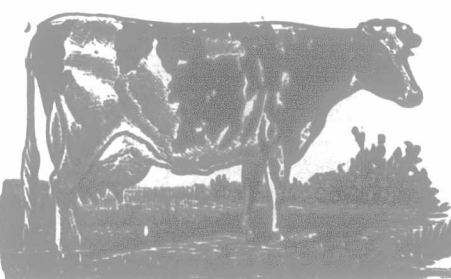
TAPEWORM.

I have lost eight yearling ewes from tapeworms, and others are showing symptoms. H. A.

Ans.—Starve them for twelve hours. Make a mixture of one part oil of turpentine and fifteen parts sweet milk. Shake until thoroughly mixed, and give each ewe about four ounces of the mixture. Give nothing to eat for five or six hours longer. Keep enclosed and gather the worms that are passed and destroy them. Repeat treatment in ten days, and, if necessary, the third or fourth time. Keep the sheep off low-

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lying pastures during the pasturing season, as it is doubtless in such pasture they get the infection. V.

WEAK PASTERNS.

Three-year-old Clyde colt is weak in his pasterns. He occasionally stands with one or the other cocked, and is restless on them. They are short, and fairly well set. P. A. F.

Ans.—Colts that show this weakness before having done any hard work are very liable to get worse when put to work. It may be caused by too much standing in the stable, in which case treatment will be more successful. Blister all around the fetlock joint once every month with two drams each biniodide of mercury and cantharides, mixed with two ounces vasoline. Cut the hair off, rub blister well in. Tie so that he cannot bite the parts. In twenty-four hours, rub well again, and in twenty-four hours longer wash off and apply sweet oil. Let his head down now, and oil every day. Allow him a large box stall, and some exercise in a paddock, except during the time he is tied up to blister. V.

Miscellaneous.

EGG-EATING HENS.

Seymour Salls, Clarenceville, Que., says he saw an enquiry in the "Advocate" as to what would keep hens from eating their eggs: "Take some Indian meal and wet it with good strong vinegar; feed it to them two or three times, and they will quit eating their eggs."

FLAXSEED—LINSEED OIL.

Which is the best to feed horses, boiled flaxseed or raw? What is the difference between boiled flaxseed and boiled linseed oil? D. A. R. M.

Ans.—Flaxseed is a laxative and encourages the secretions of the skin. It is not more digestible boiled, but seems to exercise a more beneficial effect upon the system, and is safer. Boiled flaxseed contains protein, vegetable fiber and fat or oil. Boiled oil is almost entirely cooked fat, and is not an easily-digested food. Never give stock boiled oil, either as a food or medicine.

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