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Questions and Answers. Miscellaneous.

Pruning Evergreens.

When is the proper time to trim evergreen trees, also cedar trees, so as they will not bleed ? W. J. R. Ans .- Prune evergreens in the late fall, and cedars in June or September. A little bleeding will not impair the trees as much as is generally supposed.

Orchard Grass on Pasture,

I have a small field that I sowed with peas and oats last spring, and seeded down with red clover and timothy. What I would like to know is, would it be of any use for me to sow orchard grassion top now and harrow thoroughly as the clover and timothy stand very thin on it and I would like to have it for cow pasture. G. L.

Ans .- It is getting rather late for seeding, but it might come on all right if the season keeps showery. It would have done much better sown earlier in the season.

Weak Foal.

I have a colt which is two weeks old, it tips over forward on its two front fetlocks. It is getting no better, but is growing fine. It puffs below knee-caps. Please give me a remedy. J. P.

Ans .- As the colt gains in strength and grows its joints usually straighten and strengthen. Not much can be done in the way of the administration of drugs, but (bandaging and hand rubbing has been used with some success. Allow the mare and foal to run out-doors during the day but do not leave it too long exposed in the heat of the sun, see that it gets sufficient nourishment and it will probably become strong in due time.

Breeding Mare-Knuckled.

1. I have a mare five years old. She was ruptured when a suckling colt, but grew out of it, except a slight small hole. She has never been bred. Is strong and healthy. Would it be advisable to breed her?

2. Also have a horse that is knuckled over in the right front leg, caused by standing in the stable. What is the best remedy for it?

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Ans.-1. If she is a good mare in every other particular it would be advisable to breed her.

2. You might try blistering and letting the animal out on pasture afterwards.

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valuable paper the best way to put a foundation under a cow barn, 30 by 40 feet. It is to be of concrete. Would it do to lay the walls right on the ground or have you to have a solid wall three or four feet under ground, or would three or four feet of loose stone in the bottom do? READER. F. P.

Ans .--- The footings should be down in the ground some distance, and on a solid foundation. Dig a treach and for this stones may be used with the cement to make it solid. It is better to get down so that there is little danger from frost. Two and one-half to three feet is generally considered enough.

Pruning Young Fruit Trees.

Will you kindly inform me how to prune fruit trees-just how to go at it. Last year I walked out to my young apple trees with my pruning knife, looked hopelessly at them and finally cut off several inches off every twig within sight-and I am no wiser this year. I see so much that is useful in your magazine, and hope you will oblige me by giving me the desired information.

J. H. H.

Ans .- Much has been written about the pruning of fruit trees and in our number of April 9th, 1914, on page 706, you will see this treated and illustrated more fully than one could do through the columns of our question and answer department. If you once get a conception of what your tree should be like when it has grown up you will have no trouble in working with the small trees. The illustration makes the branches appear rather bare but they are not really so. They are not cleaned out to the point but all spurs and buds are left on the branches. This article discusses the two types of pruning and answers your question quite fully.