

Questions and Answers.

Miscellaneous

Sheep Farming.

is the fairest way of going in sheep farming? Would a third of the lambs sold, and so much a piece kept for breeding, be satisfactory?

A. C.

One method which is claimed to give satisfaction is for the owner to keep the man who feeds and breeds the sheep to divide the returns with him, each taking an equal share in the profits as well as in the returns.

Ringing A Bull.

Is it a two-year-old bull that is somewhat stubborn. I have tried to ring in his nose. Can one be ringed at this time?

A. O.

Yes. Secure the bull firmly and make a hole through the thin skin of the wall between the nostrils. This is done with any sharp pointed instrument. Some use a hot iron to make the hole through; others use a ring which is used for puncturing a tire which is bloated. This is the method which we ourselves use when ringed in a bull's nose. The ring is made of iron and fastened with a small screw inserted in the nose.

Collection of Note.

holds a note against B who lives in Manitoba; can A garnishee B's property?

so how much is allowed B for himself and family?

also owns a house that is nearly paid for, could A get anything out of it?

W. C. K.

Yes.

and at the rate of \$40 a month, one month's wages is due.

unless it exceeds in value the house. We assume that the house is the actual residence.

Conveyancing.

the deed of a certain property by procuring the proper form of mortgage without having to apply to a lawyer? How about registration? Where could I procure a deed and probable cost of same?

A. S.

these are all matters for the lawyer to decide. He is to be satisfied, although of mortgage and registration as well as of the examination of the usual searches are payable to the mortgagee, who is likely to be satisfied with a prepared and the matter attended to in the way suggested.

Concrete Tank.

much water will a cement tank 12 feet, inside measurements,

material is needed, how thick will be, and is re-enforcement or a cement tank?

ur-year-old mare had a sore on the point of her shoulder last winter it healed up this winter but it worked the shoulder again, and swelled a little at night. I do for it?

F. W.

Taking the tank as 12 feet by 6 feet high, it will hold 4,216 gallons.

have seen a number of cement tanks with a 6-inch wall, mixing the proportion of one of cement to three of gravel, and then plastering out with cement mortar. It is a wire or quarter-inch round reinforcement. This could be used for building silos come to building circular cement tanks.

are inclined to believe that the skin will not fit just as it should, or else it is not adjusted properly. It is that while the skin healed, the spot remained tender and red but little irritation from the sun. Bath with water and then apply a made of 1 ounce of acetate of zinc and 6 drams of sulphate of zinc water. After this sore heals, the horse is working.

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In what year were those wooden towers erected throughout the country, and what were they intended for?

R. C.

Ans.—We cannot give the exact date of the erection of these towers, but we believe it was ten or twelve years ago. However, they have been erected at different times. We understand they are for the purpose of studying the topography of the county and also for making observations regarding climate.

Registration of Birth.

Where could I get information as to the registration of my parents' birth, and if it would cost anything for same. They were both born in Ontario about the year 1837. I wrote the township clerk where my father was born, but they had no records of that early date. He referred me to the Registrar General at Toronto, with the same result. He was born in Township of Tyendinaga.

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Ans.—It is possible that there may be a parish record, especially if their parents were Anglican or Roman Catholic; and we would recommend that enquiry be made of the Rector or Parish Clerk of the church parish in which they were born or baptised.

Sweet Clover.

1. Will sweet clover catch as well seeded in the spring on fall wheat as it would if seeded in the spring with barley?

2. A gives B money to invest in a pure-bred heifer. B buys a two-year-old due to freshen in March. B is to furnish all feed and care for the cattle. What share of the proceeds is A entitled to?

W. C.

Ans.—1. Sweet clover should catch all right on fall wheat. Practically all seeds do as well or better on fall wheat as if sown in the spring with other grains.

2. Working on shares with cattle this way, it is rather difficult to figure out an equitable division of returns. If A stands loss due to the heifer dying, we believe he should have fifty per cent. of the returns. If however, A and B share equally any loss which might occur, then if A secures 33 per cent. of the returns, and B 67 per cent., it would seem like a fair division. Without knowing more of the facts of the arrangement, or whether the herd is to be increased or not, it is difficult to definitely answer the question.

Hens Do Not Lay.

Eighteen months ago I purchased 5 hens and a cockerel from a bred-to-lay strain. They laid about 60 eggs each in a year. I hatched thirteen pullets, seven of them commenced laying the last of December but they have dropped off lately. I feed 1 1/2 pints barley, wheat and oats, equal parts, in the morning and at night 3 quarts of boiled potatoes and turnips with one pint of cornmeal. They have grit and oyster shell before them all the time. I sometimes find a soft-shelled egg under the roost. Is there such a thing as a bred-to-lay hen? Am I feeding too much or not enough?

A. L.

Ans.—With several breeds of fowl selection has been made to develop the laying strain. This has met with a good deal of success, and we can safely say that there are laying strains in a number of our breeds of hens. We are inclined to think that you are feeding too heavily, and that your birds are over-fat. You do not mention the kind of house in which you are keeping the birds. Dryness and good ventilation are two essentials. The pen need not be warm. We know of flocks this winter kept in a single-board building, with one-third of the front in cotton, which have been laying about sixty per cent. since the first of the year. The birds should be made to take a good deal of exercise. We would prefer feeding boiled feed at noon. There are two essentials which you have not mentioned, and they are meat and green feed, without which the birds will not lay very heavily. Skim-milk will take the place of meat feeds, and cabbage, mangels or steamed clover leaves will supply the green feed. If your birds are very fat, cut down on the feed.

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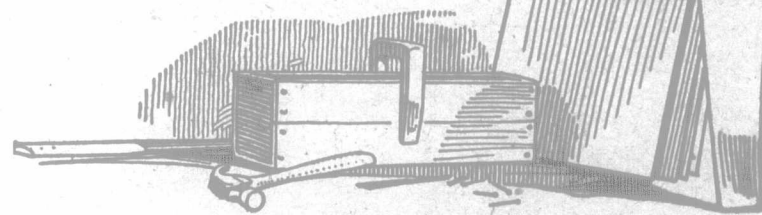
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