ADMINISTERING AN ESTATE Is there any definite time prescribed by law when a widow, whose husband has died without a will, should, or is required to begin proceedings for administration papers?

Ans .- No; but generally speaking, it should be attended to without any delay that may be reasonably avoided. Just how urgent the matter may be must mainly depend upon the circumstances of the estate and those interested in it whether as widow, next of kin, or credit-

PRUNING IN COLD WEATHER Would it be injurious to apple trees to trim them in the cold winter weather?

Ans .- In cold climates it is generally considered advisable to delay the pruning until the cold winter weather is past. In the part of Ontario (Welland Co.) from which our correspondent writes, pruning of apple trees in late winter is June is by many considered the best time for pruning, but on many farms this is a busy season, and if left till then the work is liable to be neglected.

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CORN FOR HUSKING.

Would 50 per cent. of Compton's Early corn and 50 per cent. Duke's Improved Sweet be a profitable mixture as a husking corn? If not, why? A. R.

Ans.-It would not be advisable to plant these varieties together for husking, as Duke's Improved Sweet is not suitable for the purpose, being a sweet corn such as canning factories use, and for table purposes. It is also of great value for late summer and fall feeding of milch cows, being cut and fed, fodder and cob, in a green state.

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J. O. DUKE.

REGISTERING SHROPSHIRES.

1. Having bought some pure-bred Shropshire lambs at a sale, how should I proceed to have them registered in my name What are the terms to become a member of that association (Shropshire Breeders') 2. Is there any help for a young cow stifled so that she can't get up?
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Ans. -If the lambs had been registered in the name of the breeder, you should get him to sign a transfer of them to you If not recorded, you will require to have the application for registry signed by the breeder of the lambs Blank forms for transfer, and also for registration, may be had on application to "Accountant," Live-stock Records Department Agriculture, Ottawa. instructions are printed on back of these approaction forms. Membership fee to cominion Sheep-breeders' Association

is very doubtful. The only hope be to put and keep her in sline considerable time, and blister the repeatedly.

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