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SHALL WE EAT HORSE MEAT? The horse is one of the cleanest of domestic animals. It is less subject to disease than most animals. It is a very particular animal in the selection of the food which it will est. For many years European countries have used horse flesh and is constituted. horse flesh, and in recent years markets for selling horse flesh have appeared in a number of the larger American cities. There are three markets in St. Louis where horse flesh can be purchased.

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A good healthy horse, sixteen years old, was slaughtered a short time ago at the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, and the meat given to persons in Columbia who wished to compare the taste and palatability of horse flesh. Where persons partook of the meat without being aware that it was horse meat, no objection was raised, and uniformly it was removanced to be was horse meat, no objection was raised, and uniformly it was pronounced to be good meat, although a little tough and dry. Some of these same persons, when informed that it was horse meat could not bring themselves to try another portion. There has been a strong prejudice against the use of horse flesh because of man's association with the horse. At one time it was thought a sacrilege to rob Old Dobbin of his hide before burial. That prejudice has well nigh passed away.

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It is doubtful if it will pay to produce horse flesh primarily for human consumption. There are many horses in the country too small for efficient service as draft animals which, in these times of meat shortage, might perhaps well be slaughtered for human food. In every large city there are many cases annually where young fat horses are injured by falling on the slippery pavement. Such animals could be slaughtered at once for food. It is far more humane to slaughter the old family horse for food than to sell him for five or ten dollars to a buckster who will horse for food than to sell him for two
or ten dollars to a huckster who will
half starve and mistreat him for a year
or two and then turn him out to die.

The horse has not been bred as has
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the beef animal for the distribution of fat through the lean muscles, and therefore, horse meat will be dryer when cooked than beef. In the old horse the meat would be perhaps as tough as the meat of the old cow, but probably not more so. As a roast or pot roast, horse flesh is very palatable. The fillet steaks of the sixteen-year-old horse were as tender and juicy as the epicure could desire.

#### BLIND TEATS

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The term "Blind Teat" is applied to all cases where the milk cannot be withdrawn from the udder owing to some obstruction in the teats. The obstruction to the passage of the milk from the teat may be due to the formation of a small lump or growth in the milk duet, and also to the lining membrane of the duet becoming thickened. Where the obstruction is due to a small growth, it can be felt as a small firm lump about the size of a pea inside of the teat. When due to thickening of the lining membrane it can be felt as a quill-like obstruction extending up the centre of the teat. The causes of such obstructions are sometimes due to injuries, and are often the results of inflammation of the udder.

The common methods employed of piercing the duet of the teat by passing a stocking needle, or a wire, etc., up the centre of the teat may be tried but they are, in many cases, not successful. As a rule, a special operation is necessary, which requires an incision being made at the side of the teat and the obstruction dissected out. This operation can only be properly done by a

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