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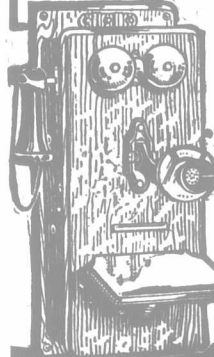
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**GOSSIP.**

Malcolm G. Gardner, in his last report of Official Record Holstein cows, states that the estimated crop of hay in the United States this year is 47,000,000 tons, as against 61,000,000 tons last year, and the great shortage is affecting prices of all feeding stuffs everywhere. In many parts of Southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois the spring and early summer were so dry that the hay crop was the worst failure ever known; while the late summer and fall were so wet that many who husked and shredded their corn crop in November have suffered a partial or total loss through the spoiling of the damp fodder. Hay is very high in price, and much alfalfa is being shipped in. Here and there alfalfa was raised, and two or three crops cut in spite of the dry season, and these fortunate ones with barns full of hay and silos of silage are happy; for though they must feed the hay instead of selling it, they can look for a fair price from their milk, and they do not have to buy. Also, the feeding of alfalfa, of which the best, if properly cured, is almost equal to wheat bran, is largely reducing their grain bills; for good alfalfa hay, fed with matured corn silage and a little grain feed, makes a balanced and satisfying ration.

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.**

**Miscellaneous.**

**BAG OF POTATOES.**

What is the weight of a bag of potatoes? J. C. Ans.—Whatever it weighs. There is no legal, uniform standard, though effort is being made to secure one of eighty pounds. In the absence of such standard, we consider that a bag, unless otherwise specified, ought to contain ninety pounds, which is a bushel and a half. Where smaller sacks are used, the purchaser should be advised.

**NAVICULAR DISEASE.**

A driving mare that has been driven a great deal, seems very stiff on front legs, and sore on front feet. She is all right behind. Can anything be done for her? A. L. C.

Ans.—The symptoms indicate navicular disease, and the best treatment is to give rest and blister the coronet repeatedly with a mixture of two drams each of biniodide of mercury and cantharides, and two ounces vaseline. It is doubtful if a recovery can be effected; in fact, in such cases, there is little hope of a complete cure. Before applying the blister, clip the hair off for two inches high all around the hoof. Tie so she cannot bite the parts. Rub the blister well in daily for two days. On the third day wash off and apply sweet oil. Let her loose now in a box stall and oil every day. Repeat this treatment monthly for a few months.

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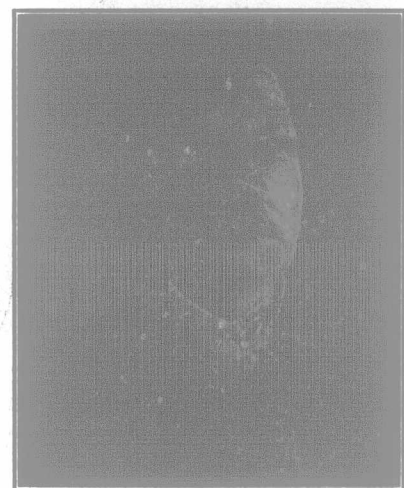
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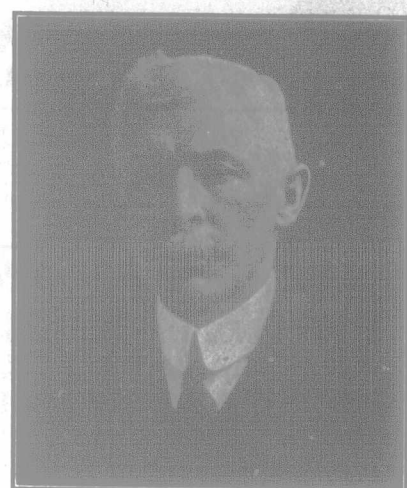
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