

## HORSE

Don't let the young colt trail around the field if the dam is working.

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The racing season in western Canada opens at Brandon on May 24th.

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A consignment of a carload of horses from St. Paul has been entered for the Winnipeg Horse Show, May 23, 24 and 25th.

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An extensive Hackney breeding farm is being established in New York state by J. Sidney Starling. The imported stallion Thuxton Royal Highness heads the stud and it is announced that the mares will be purchased in Canada.

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Press reports announce the death of Col. Robert Holloway, Alex, Ill. Col. Holloway was a Kentuckian by birth and for many years was an extensive breeder of Shorthorns and Clydesdales. As a breeder of Clydesdales he was probably the most pronounced success in America, stock from his stud being dispersed to all parts of the continent.

### Horse Warranty and the Lien Act.

A judgment recently handed down by Mr. Justice Perdue regarding horse warranty and the liability of the buyer to the seller is well worth taking note of by stallion owners, whether individuals or syndicates.

Under the new Manitoba Horse Breeders Lien Act it will be remembered that pure bred stallions may be enrolled by the Department of Agriculture as sound and free from hereditary disease upon presentation of an affidavit by the owner or owners to that effect, or upon a qualified veterinarian's certificate. It has been remarked how few stallions, enrolled so far, are unsound, and the question at once arises, if the law of horse warranty will not apply in such cases; even though the affidavit of soundness may be made in good faith, and it is a serious thing both in law and morals to commit perjury, it seems to us that in cases where the affidavit is wrongly made and the horse unsound, that the owners of the horses will not be entitled to the protection of the act, and if advertised as sound, when unsound, service fees will not be able to be collected by the owner of the stallion from his patrons; not only so, but it is also a question whether or no, the owner of an unsound stallion, enrolled as sound on the owner's affidavit, will not be liable for damages to the owner of a foal resulting from the service of the unsound, but advertised as sound, stallion.

These points are worthy of stallion owners pondering over. They will, however, transfer the entire responsibility to other shoulders should they enroll their horses as sound on the basis of a qualified veterinarian's certificate. It will be found better business, therefore, and more satisfactory to all parties, to have the stallions examined and certified by a V. S.

### Four-Horse Lines.

EDITOR FARMER'S ADVOCATE:

I notice an enquiry as to the best way to arrange the lines for driving four horses abreast. We find the most satisfactory way as follows: Put the ordinary team lines on the center horses, tie the inside of the bits of the outside horses to the hame ring of the horses next them, and have an adjustable strap about six feet long fastened from the outside of their bits to the buckle on the lines of the center team. This method gives perfect control over all four horses.

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### Some Hints from a Horseman.

EDITOR FARMER'S ADVOCATE:

In a recent issue of your esteemed paper I noticed an invitation to readers to contribute to your columns any facts they think would be of use. I often see questions which I have had to answer for myself. I will try to do a little in this line, hoping that others will do likewise.

A very common question is about the scabby legs on some heavy draft horses. Black oil, rubbed in often, is the best thing I know of, and also the cheapest. Get your veterinarian to

prescribe for their blood, or give the following: One pound soda, half a pound gentian, quarter pound saltpetre, half pound sulphur, quarter pound copperas, one pound flax meal; one tablespoonful twice a day.

Another man wants to know about a lump on a colt's stifle; I can tell him from experience. I have one (coming two years old now) which got that way when six weeks old. She had soft puff front. Veterinarian said it was joint-oil, and gave me some liniment, but the colt got worse. When I weaned her, I put her in a large box stall, and she got all right and is sound now. They don't need anything but exercise; and that was the way with a neighbor's colt, also. Keep them alone; others will hurt them over again.

I might give a few other hints on the horse. If your horse is high-headed, in putting on the bridle, likely the bridle is too short. Make it long enough, and pet your horse, and he will likely be all right; and if not, use a snap on one side so you can put on the bridle, putting the bit in his mouth afterwards. If he will not open his teeth easily for a bit, try this plan: We will suppose that you are holding the bridle up with the right hand. Now take the bit between the thumb and forefinger of the left; pass up between the lips until the bit strikes the teeth. Now turn the end of your left forefinger down so the nail will press into the lower jaw behind the nippers and he will open his mouth, and the trick is done. I have tried it on horses that had the habit very badly, and they soon yield. A very good rule is, "Put yourself in your horses' place," in your imagination, at least. Some men blanket their driving horse at home in a warm stable, and then



THE CLYDESDALE STALLION MOOSE JAW KING.  
The property of Charles Edwards, Findlater, Sask.

talk on the road twenty or thirty minutes at a time, while the horse faces the cold wind, and the man wonders where the horse got the cough, or why his hair don't look just exactly right. Others let the horse take his own gait (which is generally a fast one) the first part of the journey, with the result that he is soon wet with sweat, looks shabby, and walks the last part of the journey. To such men I would say, let the horse do his walking first; and when in town, put the horse in a livery where he will be safe and comfortable. Five dollars goes a long way for livery accommodation, and it doesn't go far on a sick horse. Never blanket your horse until he quits steaming. If he is inclined to scour on the road, feed some flour that has been browned, in oat chop, and always water before feeding. Never start a few minutes late and expect the horse to make it up. Practice the reverse of this. By observing a few humane, common-sense rules, you will always keep your horse in a salable and serviceable condition, and he will give better value at twelve years than the other fellow's at eight years.

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### A Navel-ill Preventive.

The mortality list of new born foals is usually a heavy one in districts where horse breeding has been carried on for any length of time. The cause of this mortality is pretty well understood as being due to the entrance of a germ via the navel at, after, or previous to birth. In order, therefore, to reduce the liability to loss, it is frequently recommended to tie the navel string at

birth, applying at the time some strong antiseptic, such as strong bluestone solution, corrosive sublimate solution, or strong carbolic acid, the application of which will burn and result in a scab, which is assumed to be protective. Another method is to use a combination of flexile collodion (thus forming an artificial scab) and a reliable antiseptic, either iodoform or salicylic acid, using the antiseptic in the proportion of one to seven or ten; a little bottle of this preparation in the stable during the foaling season, to be applied by means of a small swab will be handy and effective; the same to be applied once or twice a day for the first three days or week.

### Our Scottish Letter.

CLYDESDALES AT KILMARNOCK SHOW.

The show season here has opened, and there is little else being talked about in the West Country but good cattle, horses and sheep. Kilmarnock Show was held on Saturday last. It was an entirely successful event, with well-filled classes and a good attendance of the public. Clydesdales were an extra good show, and quality and numbers have probably never before been excelled at Kilmarnock. Young stock, in particular, were very strongly represented, and there is undoubtedly renewed life and vigor in Clydesdale breeding here. Two things are specially to be remarked on at Kilmarnock this year. The family-group prizes for the best five yearlings got by one sire were won by three sons of the celebrated Baron's Pride 9122. The old horse himself was not entered for competition. The first-prize group was got by the noted Everlasting, himself unbeaten as a yearling, two-year-old and three-year-old. The second group was by Baron o' Buckleyvie, also a very noted winner, and the third by Revelanta, winner of the Cawdor Cup in 1904. Everlasting is owned by Messrs. A. & W. Montgomery; Baron o' Buckleyvie, by Mr. Wm. Dunlop, Dunure Mains, Ayr; and Revelanta by Mr. George Alston, Loudounhill, Darvel. Had the old horse been shown, he would in all likelihood have beaten his sons. As it was, the champion female of the show was Mr. St. Clair Cunningham's two-year-old Minnewawa, whose sire was Hiawatha, and her dam White Heather, one of the best mares ever got by Baron's Pride. The champion male of the show was Mr. James Kilpatrick's Oyama, which won the Cawdor Cup two months ago at the Stallion Show. His sire was Mr. Marshall's Baronson, another son of Baron's Pride. In competition for the Clydesdale Horse Society's Medal, the filly Minnewawa, beat the colt, Oyama. The other special feature of the show was the extraordinary success in the female classes of Mr. I. Ernest Kerr's first-class stud at Harviestown, Dollar. Mr. Kerr won first prize in every female class, except that in which Minnewawa won, and there he was second with Delicia, by Baron's Pride, out of Princess Beautiful. He was first with the brood mare Rosedew, by Baron's Pride, out of Queen of the Roses; with the yeld mare Pyrene, by Baron's Pride; with the three-year-old Veronique, by Montrave Ronald, and with the yearling filly Marilla, by Baron's Pride. This was an extraordinary day's work, and the victories were not "flukey." The classes were strong in numbers and quality, and it was not easy to win in them. In the male classes, first prizes went to the same tribe. Oyama has already been referred to. The first-prize three-year-old was Mr. Marshall's Memento, winner of the Brydon roo-gs. Challenge Shield this year, and got by Baden Powell, a son of Sir Everard, and his granddaughter, a mare by Baron's Pride. The first yearling colt was Mr. I. P. Sleight's son of Everlasting, which won at Aberdeen, in March. The ascendancy of this Sir Everard tribe is as complete at present as ever was the ascendancy of the Prince of Wales or Darnley tribes in their day.

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### A Horsewoman's View of Horse-training.

Mrs. Virge Steger, of Bonham, Texas, contributes the following interesting article to the Horse Show Monthly:

From my earliest childhood I have been in close association with horses, and when but a mere child broke and rode colts on the farm—and, par parenthesis, always "sidewise."

I have never had any trouble in subduing, or, as I prefer to say, educating a horse, and I have handled some vicious animals. I try to show them that I am their friend, thus gaining their love and confidence, and I never let them think for one moment that I fear them.

Every person is born with a certain amount of magnetism, which the force of will develops. That there is such a power no successful trainer of horses