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Ans.-It is very unwise to attempt artificial abortion in any case. The danger of untoward results is too great. Better allow them to produce their calves and then fit for the butcher.

RESULT OF WOUNDS.

Mare kicked over the crossbar and skinned and bruised her leg badly. I got a lotion from my veterinarian, which reduced the swelling and caused the wounds to heal. There is a thickening of the skin from fetlock to hock, and two lumps where the wounds were.

Ans.-Thickenings of this nature are very hard to remove. They can be reduced some by repeated blisterings, or by the use of an absorbent liniment, as one made of 4 drams each of iodine and iodide of potassium, and 4 ounces each of alcohol and glycerine. Rub a little well in once daily.

INDOLENT WOUND.

Horse got coronet cut three months ago. The wound has not healed, and I am afraid an enlargement will remain. How can I heal the wound and remove

Ans.-Dress the wound once daily for three or four days with butter of antimony, applied with a feather. Then keep clean and dress three times daily with a five-per-cent, solution of carbolic acid in water. If what is called "proud flesh" appears again, use the antimony as above. Wounds in this part usually cause an enlargement, which is very hard to remove. Rub well once daily (after the wound has healed) with a liniment made of 4 drams each of iodine and iodide of potassium, and 4 ounces each of alcohol and glycerine.

ABSCESS IN FOOT.

Clydesdale stallion has a sore foot. On one side of the frog, in the sole, is a sore spot about the size of an egg. It looks like proud flesh, and matter escapes from it. Should I have this burnt or H. BROS. cut off?

Ans.—This is a thickening of the sensitive sole, the result of an abscess. When the inflammation is allayed the swelling will subside. The sole should be care fully removed all around the diseased spot in order to remove pressure. Then apply poultices of hot linseed meal, with a few drops of carbolic acid, say 2 per cent of the water required to heat and moisten the meal. Recovery will be slow. I would advise you to get your veterinarian to dress the foot, as a great part of the sole may be underrun. V.

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