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#### Cow Leaks Milk.

I have a cow which leaks her milk unless milked at certain hours, and some times in about a half-hour, if she starts to run, you can see the milk dropping out of her teats. Is there any way in which this could be stopped? R. A.

Ans.—There is no satisfactory way that we know of to overcome this trouble. Some have reported success from the use of collodion, putting a little on the end of the teat just after milking. It is supposed to form a scale which may be picked off each time just before commencing to milk. It is cheap, but we have tried it without any very encouraging result. Milk your cow at regular intervals and do not dog her or force her to run.

#### Corn on Ear for Pigs—Sweet Clover.

1. What is the youngest age at which it is advisable to feed corn in cob to young pigs? 2. What is the value of sweet clover as a feed for stock, and is it suitable for the silo mixed with corn? I mean the kind of sweet clover which grows so extensively along the roadsides. B.

Ans.—1. As soon as they will eat it. 2. Its value for stock feeding is debatable. Chemically, it compares well enough with alfalfa, but it is coarse and bitter, and stock have to acquire a taste for it before they will eat it. We do not recommend it as a forage crop. Have never heard of it being ensiled with corn or any other way.

#### Squirrel-tail Barley.

Is the specimen sent herewith a seed or a grass? I pulled it from a last year's seeding of alfalfa. Never saw anything like it before. S. L. P.

Ans.—This is a worthless grass and should be treated as a weed. It is a biennial, and, hence, may be killed by cutting before the seed ripens. If allowed to remain until nearly or quite ripe, the joints of the head separate at a touch, and hence easily scatter the seed. If you compare it closely with barley, you will find that its head is much smaller but otherwise similar seeds and much longer awns; hence the name "squirrel-tail barley," or, in botany, Hordeum jubatum.

J. D.

#### Sudden Change of Feed.

Three-month-old pigs when turned out on grass were all right. They were out for about two weeks; had nothing to eat except clover and grass while out, so I thought I would shut them up and start to feed them. I gave them two eight-quart pails night and morning of low-grade flour and bran. After I had been feeding a couple of days, I noticed they were off their appetite, didn't seem hungry. That was on Tuesday. Monday, the day before, I fed them morning and noon. They seemed hungry and all came to their feed. When I went to feed them at night, I found two lying dead, three more were sick. They seemed weak in the back and hind legs; they couldn't stand up on their hind legs, so I turned them out again for a few days, and they are getting better. I opened two that died and found I could see nothing wrong except that their feed seemed to all be in the stomach, with nothing in their intestines. What was the trouble—had they indigestion or were they poisoned?

AN ONTARIO READER.

Ans.—Your pigs undoubtedly suffered from indigestion. You did a very unwise thing in taking pigs abruptly off the grass, where they had been getting no grain food, and shutting them up without any grass or exercise and feeding them on meal alone. In the first place, your pigs should have had some meal while on grass. In the second place, the change to heavier feed should have been made gradually. In the third place, you should not feed young pigs on bran. In the fourth place, you would have done better to include a proportion of some other grain, such as ground barley, corn or finely-crushed oats. When you put them up again, make the change gradually and throw some earth and green feed into the pen, at least for a while on the start.

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