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to "The Farmer's Advocate" are answered in this department free. 2nd—Questions should be clearly stated and plainly written, on one side of the paper only, and must be accompanied by the full name and address of the writer. 3rd—In veterinary questions, the symptoms especially must be fully and clearly stated, other-wise satisfactory replies cannot be given. 4th—When, a reply by mail is required to urgent veterinary or legal enquiries, \$1.00 must be enclosed.

#### Miscellaneous.

# Girl's Wages.

1. Are all Canadian girls of age at 18 years old so that they can collect their own wagesi

2. Will home girls come under the same law? or can some homes keep control of their girl's wages till the girls are 21 years old and collect? Ontario.

A SUBSCRIBER. Ans.-1. Generally speaking, yes. There is a limit (\$100) to the amount they can sue for in the Division Court. This applies to all minors. 2. This depends upon various cir-

cumstances, and we are not given enough information respecting same to enable us to answer this question.

#### Paying for Insurance.

A insured his buildings in a Mutual Insurance Company giving a premium note. Had a fire shortly after, consuming a part of the buildings.

Insurance paid as soon as practicable. Barn was built and a new policy was issued by the same company, cancelling the remaining insurances, giving a rebate for the unearned premium for the unexpired term of insurance and receiving the corresponding premium note for the same.

About one year after fire, the company found it necessary to make an assessment of notes and made one on the present one held and also on the original note or rather on that portion of it affected by the fire. Was it just or legal to do so or should company have assessed the note on present insurance only?

Ontario. IGNORAMUS. Ans.—We think that the company's course was legal and proper.

#### Blackhead in Turkeys.

I had a fine flock of turkeys which did well until I started feeding them this fall. Up until a few weeks ago they gathered their own living, but since confining them to the yard ten have taken sick. They mope around, refuse food, do not go with the rest of the flock and the excrement is slimy, green and yellow. I isolate them as soon as I see they are sick and feed them by themselves. Two have died and the other eight do not look very promising. The feed consisted of a mash of oat barley and wheat chop mixed with milk, in the morning, and whole mixed grain at night. What is the cause, and cure if any?

MRS. N. MCA. Ans.-The symptoms are those of birds affected with blackhead, a disease which in most cases proves fatal, as treatment of diseased birds does not give very satisfactory results. One symptom of blackhead is not mentioned, that is , a darkening and swelling of the head. A post mortem of a victim of this disease usually shows the caeca, or blind pouches at the lower end of the small intestines to be thickened. The liver becomes enlarged and darkened. while scattered over its surface are distinct round spots, sometimes whitish or with a yellowish tinge. Starving the birds for forty-eight hours and then letting them drink from a mixture composed of a teaspoonful of muriatic acid to a quart of water has been recommended. Others recommend 5 grains of sulphur to one of sulphate of iron, or sulphate of iron one grain and salicylate of soda one grain. These remedies should be preceded and followed by a dose of Epsom salts or castor oil. Treatment should be given twice a day. Birds which are apparently healthy should be put on fresh ground. The germs of the disease, it is claimed, will remain in the soil for several years.





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### Gossip.

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