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race horse. The feet should be perfectly leveled and placed at an angle of from 45 to 50 degrees for the hind ones. The shoes should not be fitted hot as they are likely to start diseases of the feet which might cause trouble later. The shoe should be attached to the foot with as small nails as will be necessary to hold it in place. Then, as in shoeing all horses, the nails should not be drawn too tightly and pinch the sensitive structures.

It is best to have the shoes reset every four to six weeks. If the horse can be kept off the road during the summer months, have the shoes pulled off and allow the feet to come down to the ground and get the natural frog pressure. The feet should be kept growing; then there will be no trouble from the feet getting dry. Oil the coronary band twice a week. This band is located just underneath the hair line. It forms the horn of the wall, and if a new hoof is produced normally, the foot will not have time to become too dry.

Storage of Seed Potatoes.

Seed potatoes, like table stock, should be stored, as cold as possible, without frost. Light injures the flavor of table potatoes, which should be kept in the absolute dark. Light is a benefit to seed potatoes, as it toughens the skin and retards sprouting. Hence potato cellars should be partitioned so that the seed may be in the light and the eating potatoes in the dark.

Potatoes in large piles or in un-ventilated cellars often heat so that they will not grow well, and if for seed, are most vigorous if stored in boxes, crates or open barrels, or if thinly spread upon the floor.

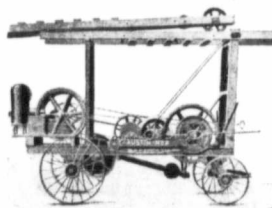
Dirt should be carefully screened out of seed potatoes before they are stored, because much dirt among potatoes tends to heat them, and stop the circulation of air. If potatoes have been frosted in the ground and put in storage, they should be sorted over, the third week, to remove the rots, as the rotten potatoes tend to heat and kill the seed.

Every potato man should have two cheap thermometers tested in slush for correctness at 32 degrees F., one for the outside of the house and one for the cellar, and by opening and closing doors and ventilators and in letting in cold or keeping out warmth or cold, he should hold the potatoes from 32 to 35 degrees all winter, and fight back the spring rise in temperature as much and as long as possible.

After the temperature gets up to 45 degrees, the potatoes should be thinly spread out and shoveled over once a week, or oftener, to discourage sprouting.

The first sprouts that come are the most vigorous and afford a sort of natural selection. If potatoes were set by hand, like cabbage plants, it would be well to have these sprouts started before setting. Where planters are used, seed potatoes should not sprout at all, until their most active sprouts start after the tubers are in the ground.

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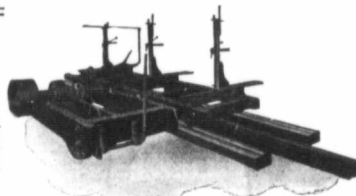


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