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its legs together. It has great difficulty in getting up. Kindly let me know the cause and cure?

J. S. M.

This is probably a case of paralysis and should have energetic treatment. We would advise calling in a qualified veterinary surgeon. This trouble is sometimes caused by too high feeding and not enough exercise, in which cases give opening medicine and laxative food and keep warm.

Rural Law

The Hired Man

Can a man hired for a certain number of months take the holidays without having to put them in at the fall?

Does it make any difference whether hired for a year or not?

Are twenty-six working days called a month?

How many holidays are there in a year?

Can a man hired for eight months collect his wages if he quits at the end of two months, providing he is hired for a certain number of dollars per month?

A SUBSCRIBER (Ontario).

As to whether or not a person hired for a definite period is entitled to the legal holidays depends to a considerable extent upon the terms of the hiring and the nature of the work or employment. By his agreement a person may bind himself to work on the holidays. Again, the employment may be of such a nature that it is necessary that he should remain at his duty. In the case of a farm laborer he would have to do those works which are regarded as the ordinary chores (for example, watering and feeding the cattle, etc.) and other things which of necessity must be done about a farm and which it

was part of his duty to do. A yearly hiring would be governed by the same considerations. New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Victoria Day, Dominion Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, the day set apart for celebration of the reigning Sovereign's birthday, Christmas Day, and Sundays are legal holidays in Ontario.

We do not know of any principle whereby twenty-six working days are called a month. An employee has to put in the full complement of working days in each month and the number of these may vary according to the length of the month, the number of Sundays falling in it, etc.

Where a person has entered into the service of another it is his duty to continue in such service during the whole time that he has contracted for and if a man has hired for eight months and is to be paid at the end of that period, and wrongfully leaves his employer's service during that period, he cannot recover for the time he may have worked even though he may have been engaged at a certain sum per month, the employer's contract being to pay him the whole of his wages at the end of the time for which he was hired.

Pigs Trespassing

My neighbor's pigs are in the habit of coming through the line fence and roaming through my crops. Do I have to fence against the same or not?

J. B. A. (Ontario).

It is the duty of owners of occupied adjoining lands to make, keep up and repair a just proportion of the fence which marks the boundary between them. The owner or occupant of any land is responsible for any damage caused by any animal owned by him or under his charge and keeping. There is no duty cast upon you other than to make, keep up and repair a just proportion of the line or division fence, and even though the fence through which they break into your land may be that part of the division fence built and maintained by you, your neighbor will be responsible for any damage his pigs may do by tres-

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