

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.  
Miscellaneous.

NEW ONTARIO.

Would you please publish in your paper where information regarding New Ontario could be had? Would it be advisable for two young men with good health but small means to locate there?

Ans.—Write the Director of Colonization, Parliament Buildings, Toronto. New Ontario offers many advantages to ambitious, energetic young men.

PIG FEEDING—LYMPHANGITIS.

1. Which is the most profitable feed for pigs weighing over one hundred pounds, good low-grade flour at thirty dollars a ton, corn germ at twenty-nine dollars a ton, or good wheat at eighty-five cents a bushel, chopped fine?

2. We have a young mare, four years old, which had lymphangitis about a month ago. We had a veterinarian who treated her. She was in foal, and she lost her foal. The soreness seems to have gone out of the leg, but it is still swelled quite hard. She gets plenty of exercise, and we bathe it in hot water, and are giving her saltpetre in bran twice a week. What is the best to do with her, and how to reduce the swelling?

Ans.—1. The wheat would likely prove the cheapest feed at these prices. With any of these we would advise mixing with the coarser grains.

2. Your veterinarian doubtless prescribed correctly. Repeated and severe attacks often leave an enlarged leg. Give regular exercise, feed lightly, hand-rub and bandage the leg. If the soreness and lameness has disappeared this treatment should dissipate the swelling. If the swelling does not go down, give 1 dram of iodide of potassium, night and morning. If this affects the appetite the dose should be reduced to 30 or 40 grains.

SWITCHER—INVERSION OF THE UTERUS.

1. I have a nice Hackney filly which I wish to break single, but she seems inclined to switch and urinate, more, I believe, from being a little nervous. I have had her hitched double. She does not kick, only switches. Drove her around with single harness only; acts much the same. Have you any suggestion to offer?

2. Is it advisable to breed a cow which expels her womb at parturition?

Ans.—Switching is a bad habit in any horse, and one which is difficult to break. Switchers require careful handling while being driven. Avoid all harsh usage. Whipping aggravates the trouble. Switchers are, as a rule, high-spirited horses. Sometimes a slow mate causes the trouble. Some recommend hard work and cutting down the grain ration, so as to reduce the animal's spirit. Whether or not this would prove satisfactory is a question. A very thick crupper arranged so as to raise the tail, has been used to good advantage. Docking has been resorted to with good effect in some instances. It is necessary to study the colt's disposition, and treat her kindly at all times. A correspondent writing in "The Farmer's Advocate" some time ago, recommended the following to break young colts of the habit: Take two straps about one inch wide that will reach from the crupper to the breeching. Have loops made in both ends of these straps so that the crupper can run through one end; the other end is for the breeching to be slipped through (the latter loop should be large enough to permit the strap to slide on the breeching easily). Have two small straps with handles attached, sew one small strap on each of the larger ones crosswise, about six inches from the top of the loop through which the crupper will run. Place one on each side of the mare and buckle the small straps around the bone of her tail under the hair. With this appliance she can move her tail, but not far enough to catch the line.

2. If the cow is otherwise healthy, there should be little danger in breeding her again. Some two or three months should be allowed between calving and re-breeding. If at subsequent parturitions the same trouble is experienced, it might be advisable to discontinue.

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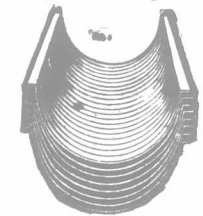
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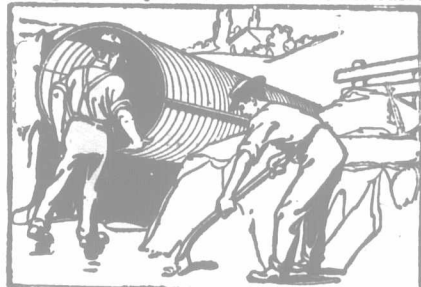
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GOSSIP.

Two notable recent sales of prominent Ontario stock farms reported are those of J. & W. Russell, of Richmond Hill, and Oswald Sorby, of Guelph, the former to the City of Toronto for an industrial farm, the latter to Ralph Ballagh, Port Huron, Ont., a former Bruce County man. The Russell farm of 380 acres, situated some fifteen miles north of Toronto, with the Metropolitan Electric Railway running in front of it, and the

Canadian Northern Railway running through it, with a siding switch privilege on the farm, was sold for the handsome price of \$60,000. The Sorby farm, which contains 355 acres, and is furnished with first-class buildings, is reported sold for \$30,000. The owners of both these properties had made themselves famous as breeders and importers of pure-bred stock, the Russells handling Shorthorn cattle as a specialty, and Mr. Sorby Clydesdale horses, of which he

imported and sold a large number of the very best class. It is understood that both the Messrs. Russell and Mr. Sorby are retiring from business, and will hold clearing sales in the near future.

Wife (complainingly)—You're not like Mr. Knagg. They've been married 20 years, and Mrs. Knagg says her husband is so tender.

Husband—Tender? Well, he ought to be, after being in hot water that long.