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## Questions and Answers. Miscellaneour.

Scaley Legs.

1. Kindly tell me how to prevent the bee moth destroying the empty honeycombs while they are stored away for use next year?

2. The best way to propagate currant bushes , and what time to take cuttings. 3. Where to find out what the law is here in Ontario in regard to public cemeteries where all denominations bury. Do the different churches, by their members, appoint the trustees of such cemeteries, or are they appointed by the vote of lot-holders ?

4. If there is any powerful machine for lifting and placing trees too large to transplant by hand work. If so, please tell me where it is manufactured, and by whom ?

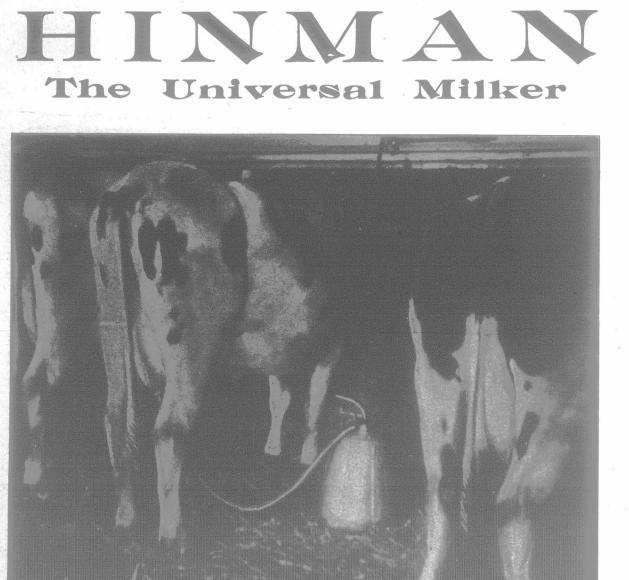
5. What can be the matter with my hens? They have large lumps on their legs, which form under the scales. At first the scales just begin to stick out and seem large, but later become great chunks of dry, scaly matter, which can be pulled off, leaving the leg raw. The legs must be itchy, as the hens pick at them, but I cannot see any mites or signs of life on them. Please tell me if this is infectious, and give cure. Only five of my hens are affected yet. SUBSCRIBER.

Ans.-1. There is always less trouble from the bee moth where the Italian bees are used, and during the summer months it is sometimes advisable to keep them in such a way that the bees will themselves keep them clear of the moth. They are sometimes placed above the colony with a queen excluder beneath and a frame of brood above, or they may be placed below the colony, which necessitates the worker bees going in and out among them. The bee moth will do no injury during cold weather, as it requires summer temperature for their development, consequently there is little danger from the waxworms during winter if they are stored away and suspended about two inches or more apart. If the waxworms are spinning their webs and become established before cold weather sets in, they can be destroyed by fumigating with brimstone, or more effectively by placing them in a large box and fumigating with carbon bisulphide. This is a volatile and very inflamable gas, so it is dangerous to have it brought in contact with fire in any way. Place a pint or a quart of carbon bisulphide in The



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the spring. The custom has been to make the cuttings the latter part of August or the first of September, and plant them in the nursery row at once. The cuttings should be made about six to eight inches long, and care should be taken to make the base of the cuttings square across and just below a bud. The upper cut should be made at least onehalf inch above the top bud, so there is no danger of the wood drying out back of the top bud, for a strong growth is desired at that place. The cutting should be placed six to eight inches apart, in furrows three feet apart, and deep (nough that only the top bud or two will be above ground. This allows for a very strong root system. When the cuttings are placed in the furrows in August or September, it will be well to mulch them with straw or coarse manure to prevent heaving through intermittent freezing and 3. Not knowing the circumstances connected with this cemetery, we can do no