

Useful and Instructive.

If the combs and legs of horses are rough, they are old; if smooth and limber, they are young.

A tumor in the room at night is bad for the eyes and nerves; a key-sene lamp turned down low gives out pernicious gases.

A lady friend informs us that the juice of a green tomato applied to iron rust in clothing, and the rusted article then placed in the sunshne will take off the stain.

These matting sometimes will not go down smoothly, the inside being looser than the edge of the breadth; wet the edges and lay them down flat and straight.

The curvy comb should not be neglected; its use on all kinds of meat, stock and horses is a great preventive of disease and vermin, and is productive of health.

A FOLD of cotton wadding laid across the shoulder-blades within the vest or dress, is a protection to the lungs in cold, cold days. A newspaper is also good to keep out the wind.

It is advised that calipers be stiffened with starch made of coffee water, to prevent any which appears.

Colored articles should never

be hung to dry in the sun, which is

sure to fade them.

CARBONIC ACID.—Two or three drops of carbolic acid added to a bottle of ink will prevent mould, and about 30 drops, added to a pint of water used for making pastes, will have the same effect.

MUSKING KERIATIS.—If an onion-kettle has a hole in the bottom of it, drive in a plug of leather, hammer it down on both sides. If kept covered with water it will not mould; or make a cement with six parts of dry clay and one of iron filings, mix into a paste with boiled linseed oil.

A common suggestion that if drivers would know, experimentally, how a horse feels when his reins are twisted and jerked, "packed," they should take a goose-neck band and into their mouths, and, tying a cord to either end, should give a lively bay the reins, and let him pull them awhile.

The following remedy for corns is suggested: Into a one-ounce phial ask a druggist to put two drachms of muriatic acid, and six drachms of rose water. With this mixture wet the corn night and morning for three days. Soak the feet every evening in warm water without soap. Put one-third of the acid into the water, and, with a little picking, the corn will be dissolved.

THE POOR FARMER.—His hens roost in trees during the storms in winter, and he complains that they lay no eggs; his cows shiver by the side of the fence, and he complains that the children eat too much butter; he goes to the grocery with a jug in one end of the neck and a stone in the other, and he wipes his nose with his coat sleeve.

To RELIEVE CATTLE WHEN CHOKED.—A very simple and effectual method of relieving cattle when choked, by eating roots or otherwise, is to cause the animal to repeatedly leap a fence as high as it can be forced to jump. The effort of jumping will cause it to either swallow the obstruction or throw it up. Cattle have been saved by this method, when all others have failed.

BELLS ON SHEEP.—Bell your sheep, farmers, if you want to protect them from dogs. The bells will last many years and still be worth half cost. Then, no dog that would chase a flock of twenty-five sheep if each one had a bell on; the noise would be too alarming—he could not stand it.

A sheep dog is a great coward when at that bushes; he wants to do it slyly and quietly, and could not bear an alarm of twenty-five bells.

BLEEDING AT THE NOSE.—The following has often been recommended:

Put a piece of paper in your mouth, while suffering from a new paroxysm of disease, and despairing of its restoration by thyself, attempt suicide with poison, but that use of the King's physicians—such as Dr. J. H. Crosby, Crosby's Patent Kidney for the manufacture of lime plaster, &c.

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A surgeon from Berlin says that

the Provisional Government at Paris would have been occupied by the Prussian government if the exactions proposed by Prussia had been resisted.

Those engaged in the discussion of Alsace and Lorraine and the dismantling of the French fortifications

on the German frontier, the Prussian Government refused to listen to my proposition for the surrender of French territory.

HOW TO MAKE A MARE OWN HER COLT.—Tie the mare up beside the barn where she cannot harm herself; put a cord around the neck of a good-sized dog; let the cord be fifteen or twenty feet long. Let the dog be set on the colt, holding the former by the cord so that he cannot bite the colt. The colt will run to the mare for protection, and she will own and protect it immediately. It is the best mode I ever saw adopted to make a mare own her colt, a cow her calf, or a sheep her lamb.

BRUISE OR GRAVEL is quickly cured by cutting away the hoof a little where the gravel went in. Then take a crooked awl and get out the dirt as much as possible; wear gunpowder into the cavity with the back of the awl and touch it with a hot iron; by putting the powder in twice or three times in this way it will clean all the gravel and dirt out. Then melt one part tallow and three parts rosin, and pour into the cavity, and the horse is fit for business.

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