

## Questions and Answers.

### Miscellaneous.

#### Molasses.

Is the New Orleans molasses which is used for cooking purposes, better than the feed molasses for horses? If so, how much per gallon is it worth more than the feed molasses? L. W. T.

Ans.—The results of no experiments have come to our attention verifying the superiority of high-priced cooking brands of molasses over the lower grades. This is due to the difference in cost, and the impracticability of feeding the cooking brands. You could not economically feed the domestic molasses, but if you have a chance to procure it at a reduced price, you might feed it to advantage.

#### Orphan's Homes.

Could you give me the address of one or more orphan's homes in Ontario, from which I could get a boy and girl?

E. G.

Ans.—By writing the Secretary of the Children's Aid Society at Ottawa, Kingston, Belleville, Toronto or London, you would probably get in touch with what you require, readily. There are children available at the Thos. Allway Home in London now. In making an application for children, it must be accompanied by a letter from some clergyman or other responsible party, vouching for the applicant, and giving certain information as to the home and age of the people making the application.

#### An Icehouse Without Sawdust.

We intend to build a dairy building the coming summer, with ice-house and refrigerator. I have heard of ice being stored without using any sawdust, the inner walls of ice-house, floor, sides, and ceiling being of cement, and the outer wall of boards, paper and air space. The refrigerator, I believe, is built against it, with a thin cement wall separating the two. Are they a success? If so, kindly give information "how to build."

J. H.

Ans.—We know the Hanrahan system of storing ice without any covering or sawdust or straw is a success, so far as preserving the ice is concerned, and there are many materials which may be combined to form a wall that may be considered good insulation. Cost is the drawback to these structures, and prohibits them in general farm use. A house built on the Hanrahan system will cost between \$700 and \$800. We are not familiar with the kind of house you describe.

#### Relation of Lamp to Electrical Power -- Holidays -- Weaning Foals.

1. If I take one horse-power of electric light from the power company, how many candle power do I get, or how many eight-candle-power lamps can I burn?

2. How many holidays can a hired man claim in the year, and what are they?

3. Mare seems to be a heavy milker. Is it better to gradually wean the colt or milk by hand? The colt is six months old and gets cow's milk three times daily.

J. S.

Ans.—1. One horse-power equals 746 Watts. One eight-candle-power lamp will register 40 Watts. This makes, for house consumption, sufficient power for approximately eighteen lamps. The contract with the company will govern, to some extent, the number of lamps you will be permitted to instal on a given amount of power purchased.

2. In the absence of agreement to the contrary, hired help in Ontario is entitled to all Sundays and to New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Victoria Day, Dominion Day, King's Birthday, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas, and any other day or days proclaimed by the Governor-General or the Lieutenant-Governor as public holidays. It is understood, of course, that these holidays be taken subject to the doing of chores.

3. Considering the age of the colt, would wean him at once, and milk the mare twice a day for a while, and then once. Reduce her grain ration and she will quickly diminish her flow of milk.



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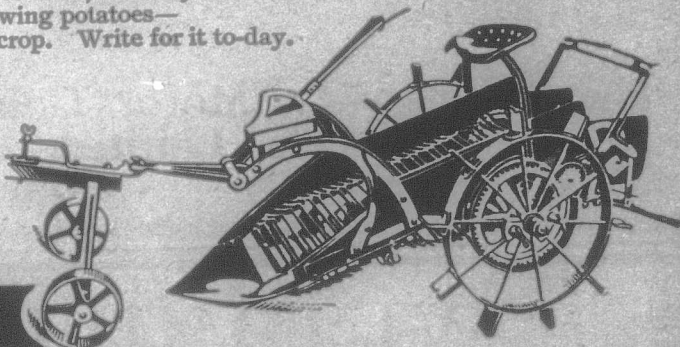
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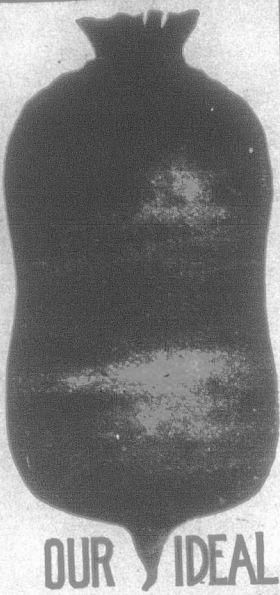
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