

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

LAMBS WITH SORE EYES.

To the Editor of FARMING :

I have a pair of spring lambs, and about four days ago I noticed that one seemed to be blind in one eye. On examination I found the eye to be of a pink color, and now I notice that the other lamb is afflicted in the same way in both eyes, only not so bad. I notice, however, that it is just starting in one eye, and there appears to be a small hole like a pin hole eaten in the eye near the pupil. The lambs are smart and in good condition and have been kept in a dry pen. Will some one please tell me what is the matter with them and what to do?

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This is evidently a case of ophthalmia or inflammation of the eye. There are various causes for it, and most likely in the case mentioned it may be due to direct injury caused by dirty matter getting into the eye from the chaff or straw. The disease is sometimes constitutional, and in some cases appears to be enzootic, that is, running through the whole flock. The usual treatment is to bathe the eye with warm water. A mild eye water might be used in the proportion of $\frac{1}{2}$ drachm of sulphate of zinc, 2 ozs. of laudanum to a pint of water. Should the disease prove to be enzootic, that is, running through the whole flock or district, the diseased animals should be separated from those not affected.

A BARELY KEPT BULL: FEEDING YOUNG PIGS.

To the Editor of FARMING :

(1) Kindly answer the following questions for me: A neighbor has a pure-bred Jersey bull, sired by a bull purchased from Mrs. E. M. Jones, and the dam was a good milker. The animal in question has been given scrub care and "is thin and lousy." Would the stock from such a bull carry the good points of the parent stock? It is the only one around here of the breed. We have a good Holstein bull,

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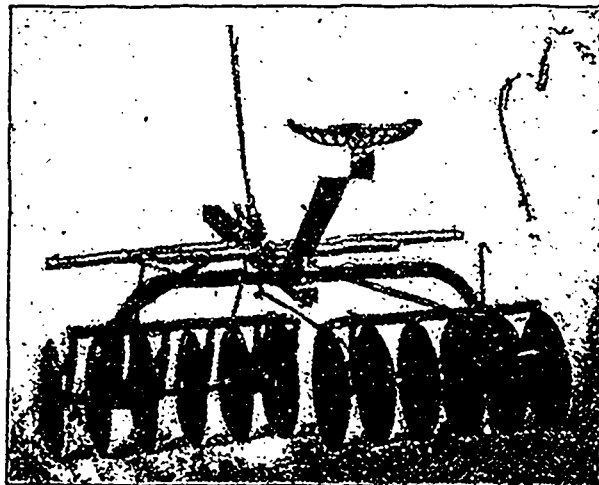
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