

## Talks with Our Lawyer.

## ADOPTED CHILD'S SHARE.

A and B own an 80-acre farm in Wis. Half of the farm belonged to the wife, and on the whole farm there was a mortgage. B, the wife, died. After her death, A, the husband, conveyed the whole 80 a to C, and with part of the money received from the sale paid off the mortgage. A, the husband, is now dead. Has a legally adopted child of A and B any interest in said farm? The answer depends upon the state of the title of B, the wife. If A and B acquired the property by a deed running to them jointly, they took said farm as joint tenants, and upon B's death the whole estate passed to A, and he could convey an absolute title to the same. On the other hand, if B acquired her half interest by a separate deed running to her alone, then upon her death the adopted child was entitled to her half interest, subject to the dower of the husband, being one-third of the whole of the wife. The adopted child, however, would take its two-thirds interest in said 80 a, subject to the equities of C by reason of the purchase money having been applied to the extinguishment of said mortgage.

**JURY VERDICT**—N H Subscriber: A judge always has a right to set aside a verdict of a jury if it appears that the verdict is against the evidence. The aggrieved party can then take the question to the higher court or can have a new trial.

**USE OF ESTATE**—N H Reader: A married man dies, leaving a will which leaves to his wife the use of a house and land for her life. Does this mean that she must occupy the land? No. She can occupy the land, or if she chooses she can rent it and collect the rent. She also must pay the taxes and keep the property in repair.

**DESCENT**—N Y Reader: If a married woman dies without having made a will and leaving no descendants, the surviving husband takes all her personal property. Her real estate she takes curtesy at the common law, i. e. a life estate provided they have ever had children born alive and capable of inheriting the real estate.

**LABORER'S HIRE**—K., Mass: A lets his farm to B on shares, he to have one-half the stock and produce. B, the tenant, hires the labor. After a while B sold out his share and left the laborers unpaid. Can the laborers sue A? No. A can't hire them and he is in no way liable for the bill.

**DECEPTION**—M. J., N Y: The deception which you claim was practiced on you appears to have all occurred before you signed the deed and you knew the truth when you so signed; therefore you can't avoid the deed. The share of the purchase money to which you are entitled depends on the fractional part of the land you really owned, not on the number of grantors in the deed.

**DESCENT OF PROPERTY**—Ga Reader: Under the laws of N Y, real property descends as follows: 1st, to the lineal descendants; 2d, to the father; 3d, to the mother; 4th, to collateral relatives. The rights of heirs, as remaindermen, after the expiration of a 99-yr lease, if contested, must be established by proper proceedings in a N Y court. Such proceedings should be taken by the heirs with reasonable diligence; otherwise, they would lose their rights. Consult a N Y lawyer as to proper procedure.

**GARDENING ON SHARES**—Subscriber, Wis: Where B owns a piece of land which he has rented to A for gardening purposes, B to furnish land, seed and everything necessary to carry on the business, A to do the work, the profits being divided equally between A and B. A cannot compel B to provide a commercial fertilizer, unless the same is necessary to carry on the business, nor can B compel A to pay one-half the cost of such fertilizer.

**TAX SALE**—Ohio Reader: A purchaser of land at tax sale may hold the land until the tax is repaid him with interest, etc. The land may be redeemed by payment of such sums at any time within 3 yrs of the sale. After 2 yrs the tax purchaser has a right to an absolute deed to the property.

**SUING MINOR**—Y. J., Ind: A minor is not liable in an action for breach of promise, nor can recovery in such a case be had against his father, even though the father is wealthy.

**RENT**—A. E., Neb: The amount of rental for land depends altogether upon the agreement made between the landlord and the tenant, and if such agreement provides for one-third, no more can be taken by the landlord.

## Our Veterinary Adviser.

**OPHTHALMIA**—P. E. M. has a horse which has sore eyes; the eyelids swell and there is some inflammation. Bathe the eyes well with warm water three times a day and after each bathing put a little of the following into the eye with a dropper or a feather. Acetate of lead 10 gr, tincture of opium 10 drops, water 2 oz, also give the horse 1/2 oz Fowler's solution of arsenic at a dose twice a day in a bran mash and continue it for four or five weeks.

**SWOLLEN ANKLE**—J. R. A. P. has a horse which has an enlarged ankle; when standing it swells and when driven it goes down some. Rub the swollen part well with a little soap liniment at night, then put on a bandage. In the morning take the bandage off and hand-rub well. If the horse is to be used, leave the bandage off, but if he is to remain in the stable, rub on a little more of the liniment and put on the bandage. Continue this for several weeks. Mix 4 oz sulphate of iron and 4 oz nitrate of potassium, divide into 24 doses and give one at night in bran mash until all are taken.

**SKIN DISEASE**—F. S. I. has a horse which rubs his tail and mane and bites his hips; what is good to give a horse to rid it of worms? Wash the tail and mane with a mixture of 1 oz carbonate of potassium and 1 qt water and dry well; then mix 1 dr biniodide of mercury with 2 oz lard; rub this well in on all the affected parts and repeat in a week if not cured. For worms, give 1 dr sulphate of copper at a dose in a bran mash twice a day, and continue it for two weeks.

**ENLARGED THYROID GLANDS**—J W McM. has a mare 8 yrs old which has bunches on the neck close to the jaw. Mix 1 dr biniodide of mercury with 3 oz lard; rub a little of this on the bunches once a week and continue it for several months if necessary.

**WHITE URINE**—M. E. P. has a cow which passes white urine and she seems to be in pain she eats well and seems to be in good health. This is usually the result of the food the animal eats. Omit the barley from the food and give extra oats instead. Also give 1/2 oz of nitrate of potassium in her food at a dose twice a day for a week, then skip a week and give again if needed. This medicine will not hurt her nor affect the milk. Potato skins are good food for cattle.

**SLOBBERING**—H. W. has a horse which slobbers. Slobbering in horses is usually caused by the bit; when this is the case, he only slobbers when the bit is in the mouth. If the teeth are irritating the tongue or cheeks, the animal will slobber at all times. Have the mouth examined and if the teeth are the cause, have them fixed. If it is from the bit, there is no remedy.

**INDIGESTIBLE COLIC**—C. O. W. has a horse which has pains after it eats and gas comes off the stomach. Give 1 gr raw linseed oil and 2 dr fluid extract belladonna at a dose. After this operates, if the pains continue, give 1 oz each tincture ginger, gentian and spirits of nitrous ether at a dose three times a day in 1 pt cold water. Feed good hay and oats in small quantities and water before feeding and give a little exercise.

**RUSTY NAIL**—M. A. H. wants a remedy for a wound caused by rusty nail. Poultice the part for a few days with linseed meal. Then mix 1 dr chlorido of zinc with 1 pt water. Apply a little of this to the wound twice a day with a syringe.

**LAME COW**—W. A. M. has a cow which he thinks is stifled. If the cow has a dislocated stifle, have it put into its place. This derangement seldom happens in cattle. If the joint is enlarged, mix 2 dr cantharides with 1 oz lard, rub this on the enlargement and repeat in two weeks if necessary.

**ARTIAL PARALYSIS**—G. L. G. has a horse which looks well and feels well, but cannot use his hind parts. Mix 4 oz sulphate of iron and 1 oz nux vomica, divide into 24 doses, give one morning and night in a bran mash until all are taken, then skip a week and give the same quantity as above if necessary.

## CHAT WITH THE EDITOR.

Pa Subscriber: You should put a good stout copper ring in your bull's nose; you can get it of the Women's Supply Co, 1937 Market street, Philadelphia, Pa. Vermont Farm Machine Co. Bellows Falls, Vt.—R. H. F.: Corn planters are sold by the Bateman Mfg Co, Box 115, Greenloch, N J; 3. J. Allen & Co of Philadelphia, Pa.—T. W. L.: The best bulls for use among dairy cows are found in Jersey, Guernsey, Holstein and Ayrshire breeds. N. P. Boyer & Co of Centerville, Pa. has pure-bred stock.—J. M. McG.: Broom Corn

and Brooms, price 50c; the American Sugar Industry, price \$1.50, both books are sold by the Orange Judd company of 62 Lafayette place, New York, and give detailed information of the broom corn and beet sugar industries.—Mrs E. G. T.: Write to the seedsmen who advertise in F & H for catalogs. They are free and well worth the inspection of anyone intending to purchase seeds.—J. T. O.: Cassava and Scuppernon grapevines are sold by the Jessamine gardens, Jessamine, Pa.—G. P. K.: The best preventive for milk evaporating from the seams of cans, leaving dirt and bacteria, is to buy cans with close seams. Write to the Dairymen's Supply Co, 1937 Market street, Philadelphia, Pa. for illustrated catalog. I would not advise you to use artificial material to prevent milk souring; give the milk clean pans and the best of care.

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IT IS A REMARKABLE FACT that the Transvaal government in South Africa should be setting its medical supplies from Chicago. Among other things, President Kruger's army uses large quantities of "5-Drops," and in remitting, Dec 7, to the Swanson Rheumatic Cure Co, Chicago, for several thousand dollars worth of this remedy, the government agent at Pretoria wrote: "Our army uses large quantities of '5-Drops,' and this last order is for army use exclusively. I have been told that our success on the battlefield is due to a certain extent to the use of '5-Drops' rheumatic cure, which has relieved and prevented a great deal of suffering among our men from rheumatism, neuralgia and other acute pains caused by exposure. Your '5-Drops' is as good as a Transvaal soldier! In one of the battles, a small quantity of '5-Drops' together with other medicines, was captured by the English, which was a great loss to our men."

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