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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Miscellaneous.

REFEREE IN JUDGING.

If a dispute arises at a show between two judges over a horse, what judge would be called to decide the matter?
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Ans.—If a reserve or referee judge had been appointed by the Fair Association before the show, he is called in, if present. If not, the directors, or the committee, or director in charge of the department should select the referee or third man to break the tie between the two horses in dispute.

BEQUEST OF LIFE INSURANCE

As I am about to, or want to, make my will, and have \$2,000 on my life, the policy in favor of my wife, can I dispose of that insurance same as any of my real and personal property? Not that I want to cut her out of my will, only want to know my position in the matter.

BOBS.

Ans.—No. You can deal with the policy in and by the proposed will but to a limited extent only. See The Ontario Insurance Act (Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897; chap. 203, and more particularly Sec. 160).

ABORTING MARE.

I have a mare, coming three years old, which I bred at two years, and she carried her foal nine months; dropped it on the first day of March. Has been idle most all the winter, and in the yard nearly every day, and drove a few times. Fed grain and bran twice daily, with an occasional mangel two or three times a week; salt at will. Tied in a comfortable stable. Got no occasion as I know of for dropping her foal. Will there be any danger of a recurrence in case I breed her again? As she is a pure-bred Clydesdale, and of good size and quality, would like to keep her breeding. She is in good condition and healthy. S. L.

Ans.—With judicious management during pregnancy, we should say there will be little danger of a recurrence of the mishap if she is bred again.

Veterinary.

UNTHRIFTY MARE.

Four-year-old mare had distemper last fall, and has not done well since. Her hair is long and dull. She has a fair appetite, but is dry. When driven, she purges, and her urine is thick and yellowish in color. She is fed on hay, straw and a few oats and chopped corn.

Ans.—Give her a purgative of 1 1/2 pints raw linseed oil. Feed bran only for twelve hours before, and twenty-four hours after giving the oil. Then take three ounces each of sulphate of iron, gentian, ginger, and nux vomica, and six ounces nitrate of potassium. Mix, and make into twenty-four powders. Give her a powder three times daily. Repeat the prescription as often as necessary. Feed on good hay, and give five quarts rolled oats three times daily, and, in addition, give a feed of dampened bran, with a cupful of linseed meal twice weekly. Give regular exercise or light work. V.

FATAL PARALYSIS.

Cows are fed on straw twice daily, and hay, with a little grain, once daily; get salt regularly, and water inside when the weather is cold. One took sick suddenly, and was unable to rise, or stand when lifted. She refused to eat. Appeared to suffer acutely, and died. A post-mortem revealed nothing but a dark spot beside the right kidney. Now another cow appears to be the same way. P. C.

Ans.—This is paralysis, probably caused by stomach trouble. Purge with two pounds Epsom salts, half an ounce gamboge and one ounce ginger. If this does not cause purgation in thirty hours, give one and one-half pints raw linseed oil, and repeat the oil every twelve hours until purgation commences. Give, in addition, two drams nux vomica three times daily. If she will not eat, drench her with boiled flaxseed. Give all your other cattle a few pulped roots daily; or, if you have no roots, give a feed of bran with a cupful of linseed meal once daily. V.

WOUND.

Mare got badly cut below the hock with barbed wire. I cannot keep proud flesh down, and the wound will not heal. Would you advise blistering with — ? J. B.

Ans.—Apply a little butter of antimony with a feather once daily until proud flesh disappears. Dress, three times daily, with equal parts boracic acid and iodoform dusted on dry until the wound is healed. Then the enlargement remaining can be reduced to some extent by repeatedly blistering in the ordinary manner so often described in these columns. V.

MISCELLANEOUS.

1. Is oil cake good for work horses? If so, in what quantities?
2. Does it pay to have oats crushed for horses, and, if so, should they be cleaned before crushing, as there is dirt and black seeds in them?
3. How should bran be fed to horses? Is it best to feed some in each feed, or in a mash, once or twice weekly?
4. Horse got cut last fall, and the hair has not grown.
5. Horse is swollen from knee to shoulder, but is not lame. There is a hardness about the knee. H. S.

Ans.—1. A cupful of ground oil cake in oats, two or three times weekly, aids digestion.

2. Yes; of course, all dirt should be removed before crushing.

3. It makes little difference. I favor a feed of dampened bran twice weekly. Others feed a little regularly in whole oats.

4. Apply a little sweet oil regularly. It is not probable the hair will grow to cover the wound.

5. Hand-rub frequently, and then rub well with strong camphorated liniment. V.

RESULT OF OPEN JOINT.

Colt got cut on fore fetlock. The joint oil escaped for a month. Then the wound healed, but there is a hard enlargement, and he is still lame. I have blistered several times, and am now applying iodine. J. H. W.

Ans.—Recoveries from open joint are rare, and in many cases there is a union of the bones of the joint and a bony enlargement. When a union (called ankylosis) takes place, a thorough recovery cannot result. I am afraid this is the case with your colt, and while he does not suffer pain, will always be stiff. Repeated blistering is the best treatment. Take two drams each of biniodide of mercury and cantharides, and mix with two ounce vaseline. Clip the hair off. Tie so that he cannot bite the parts. Rub well with the blister daily for two days. On the third day wash off and apply sweet oil. Let his head down now, and oil every day. As soon as the scale comes off, tie up and blister again, and, after this, blister once every four weeks, for a few months. If you see an improvement after a few blisters, keep on. If not, treatment will be useless. V.

FATAL PARALYSIS.

1. Mare was all right at night, and the following morning she was lying and could not rise. We tried to help her, but she would not make an effort. She lived for three days, when we destroyed her. This was in November.

2. Two weeks ago pregnant mare was all right at night, and next morning was down and unable to rise, and acted the same as No. 1. What was the matter; what the cause, and is it contagious? Is there any cure? S. McL.

Ans.—The mares died from paralysis. It is hard to say what was the cause. It was probably caused by stomachic trouble. Feeding food of poor quality, or drinking water of poor quality, is liable to cause it; but it often appears without appreciable cause. It is not contagious. It is possible a veterinarian might have effected a cure. He would probably have purged them, and followed up with two-dram doses of nux vomica, and it is also probable he would have raised them with slings. It is quite probable they would have been able to stand with a little support, but in some cases a patient is not, when, of course, slings are of no use. No definite treatment can be given, as each case needs to be treated according to symptoms. V.

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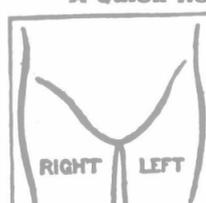
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