bow often the man is disappointed of roadster type and breeding with when the colt arrives and possesses stallons of draft breeds. Nothing not only the dam's faults but the

bow often the man is disappointed when the colt arrives and possesses not only the dam's faults but the sire's also, without passessing any of the desired improvements. Let us consider brisfly some of the law of heredity. Heredity has to do with the characters common to a race or breed, and their transmission to successive generations. On this a race of breed, and their transmis-sion to successive generations. On this law, and a thorough knowledge of it, depends the success of the breeder. If we consider an animal as an organrivation made up of a large number of characters, with these characters hav-ing an arrangement peculiar to each different individual or organization, we will more readily appreciate the difficulties which attend the breeding When we mate two individuals organizations there is no certainty whether the off-spring will resemble the dam or the sire, because another law which is always operative steps in.

I refer to the law of variation.

VARIATION.

All animals vary in some respect no All animals vary in some respect no matter how closely related, and this is the factor in brooding that we must take into account who mating animals, if we hope there any measure of access as breachers any measure of access as breachers and in a summary of the characters meaning his is caused by the different arrangement of the characters meaning to the breed. When we mate two animals we can hardly hope to have the offspring an exact counterhave the offspring an exact counterpart of either parent, but rather a mixture of both. The amount of this variation may be influenced by the case which the female receives

mixture of both. The amount of this variation may be influenced by the case which the female receives during pregnancy, by the condition of health of the male at the time of health of the male at the time of service, by the purity of breeding of the parents, by the wide difference which may exist in the breeding of the parents, and by other causes over the grant of the parents, and by other causes over the grant of the parents, and the parents of the parents

INHERITANCE.

Animals will inherit from their im-Animals will inherit from their immediate ancestors all the characters of the breed, and the type of the offspring will depend on the arrangement of these breed characters. They will inherit not only the good qualities but many of the diseases and weaknesses, whether they be of some external organ, as bone spavin or external organ, as bone spavin or as theretologies in eattle, ward organ as tuberculosis in cattle. ward organ as tuberculosis in cattle. Or, he weakness may be functional, as lack of fecundity, which among stockmen is commonly known as the tendency to be shy breeders.

Taking all these things into consideration it behooves the farmer to give this matter some serious thought. Do not take the stallion man's word as to what is the best policy for you to pursue. He at all events knows no more and perhaps not so much as you do, when it comes down to actual experience. Avoid violent crosses such as the mating of mares



but misfits can come from such cross-es. This last may seem like an over-irawn or far-fetched example, but there are plenty of such crosses made as most horre owners know. I have as most hor of our best counties, small seen in one of our best counties, small seen in one of our best counties, small

mares of roadster type bred to a Belgian stallion and what the colt Degian station and what the colt would be heaven only knows. If your mare is a little undersized, think well before breeding to a very heavy horse. If you do not want large horse or, if you want to retain stock of your own breeding who better to of your own breeding why better to use a medium sized sire and increase

use a medium sized sire and increase the size gradually. There may be wisdom in breeding a large mare to a small sire, but in the opposite we generally make a mistake. In selecting a sire choose one of similar breeding to your mare, not abnormally developed where your mare is deficient but a good average animal in every respect. When such a sire is in your community pay a sire is in your community pay as a sire is in your community pay a good fee to secure his services. Scrubs are dear at any price.

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Nursing Farrow Cow

Would you consider it advisable to allow a spring calf to nurse a farrow cow? R. S. A.

Spring calf might suck a farrow cow, if you are careful to let him have the milk from his mother, or from another fresh cow, first, for a few days. JHC another fresh days.—J.H.G.

#### Bloody Milk

What would you consider the cause of a cow giving bloody milk for a week or two after each freshening?—H. T. P. atter each resenenge—n. x. r. Bloody milk is usually due to in-flammation of some kind. Very often cows' udders swell in one quarter or another before calving. This may re-sult in the milk being bloody.

#### Cutting Seed Potatoes

In cutting potatoes for seed, where one quarters a large one, would you advuk it lengthwise and then crosswise. All M. M. In cutting potatoes for seed, the best practice calls for two or three eyes left in each set or seed. Whether the potato he cut, into apparatus eyes lert in each set or seed. Whether the potato be cut into quarters or reg-ular pieces, does not matter.—J. H. Grisdale, Agriculturist, C.E., Ottawa.

#### Spring Plowed Sod for Roots

What would you think of spring plowed sod for mangels and turnips?-M, E. M. I do not think spring plowed sod would be suitable for mangels, since mangels do better when sown early, mangels do better when sown early, and sod would not have had time to rot before you should so. Sod plowed immediately, worked at intervals until seeding time, say up to the middle of June, should prove satisfactory for turnips.—J.H.G.

#### Varieties of Corn for Silo

I have read where you recommend two or three varieties of corn for the silo. Why two of tree in preference to one? Which do you prefer. Leaning or White Cap Yellow Dent?—M. E. M., Hastings Co., Ont.

Cap Yellow Dentr-M. E. M. Hastings Co., Ont.

Two or three varieties of corn are recommended for the reason that where considerable areas are grown, it is impossible to cut the same time, thus the early maturing varieties may be cut first and the same time, thus the early maturing varieties may be cut first and the later ones as they are ready for ensiloing. Further, some years being unsuitable or not very favorable for corn growing, a certain proportion of carly maturing varieties is advisable in order to improve the quality of the ensilage. A mixture of the two you mention, the Leaming and the White Cap Yellow Dent would be very suitable. I would suggest equal areas of each.—J. H. Griddale, Agriculturist, C.E.F., Ottawa.

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