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#### OPHTHALMIA.

For three or four days my bull's eyes have been discharging matter. E. W. Ańs.—Keep him excluded from drafts and strong light. Dissolve 5 grains atropine in an ounce of distilled water. Bathe the eyes well with hot water three or four times daily, and after bathing put a few drops of the lotion into each.

#### INJURY TO SPINE.

Two-year-old colt became stiff on hind legs three weeks ago. His appetite is not good. He lifts hind feet and sweats, lies down, and has trouble in rising. W. M. F.

Ans.-Treatment is likely to be tedious. Keep as quiet as possible in a comfortable box stall. Give him a purgative of 5 drams aloes and 2 drams ginger, and follow up with 1 dram nux vomica three times daily. To improve his appetite, give a teaspoonful of equal parts sulphate of iron, gentian, and ginger, three times daily. Have patience, as it will probably take a few months for recevery to take place.

### PRODUCED DEAD CALVES.

I was feeding my cows some corn stalks that had been frozen in the shocks. I cut it and kept it two days in stable, then mixed it with silage and grain before feeding. A three-year-old and one yearling heifer produced dead calves at full term. I think the calves had been dead a week or more, as the afterbirth had commenced to decompose. They had no exercise after being put in stable.

Ans.-It is possible, if the corn mentioned was moldy, that it caused the trouble, but we think it more probable the heifers met with some accident unknown to you. We would advise you to discontinue feeding the frozen corn, and to see that all pregnant cows get regular exercise in some way. Isolate the heifers, and give 30 drops carbolic acid mixed with half a pint cold water and sprinkled on food, or given as a drench to each three times daily until all discharge ceases.

### CHRONIC INDIGESTION.

My cow has been ailing for some time. Her appetite is fairly good, but she is thin in flesh. She is always more or less bloated, her bowels are too lax, and she does not ruminate in a natural manner. She will be due to calve in May.

Ans.-This is chronic indigestion, and if due to disease of the liver little can be done. She may be tubercular, but there is no means of telling except by the tuberculin test applied by a veterinarian. If she has no liver or tubercular trouble of any organ, she should yield to treatment. Give her a purgative of 1 lb. Epsom salts, i ounce gamboge, and 1 ounce ginger. Follow up with a tablespoonful three times daily of equal parts sulphate of iron, gentian, ginger, and nux vomica. Feed on food of good quality, and not of too laxative a nature, and add to her drinking water one-fifth of its bulk of lime water . V.

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