

A Cure for the Staggers or Stavers.

The staggers is a giddiness in a horse's brain : is caused sometimes by corrupt blood or gross tough humours oppressing the brain ; and sometimes by turning a horse out to grass before he is cold, and by hard labour. The signs of it are dimness of sight, reeling and staggering of the horse, who, for very pain, will beat his head against the wall and thrust it into the litter, forsake his meat, and have waterish eyes.

When the disease comes on, he drops down suddenly, without sense or motion, except a working of the flanks.

The cure must be attempted by striking the veins in several parts at once, till he has bled four or five quarts, supporting his head and shoulders with plenty of straw : if he survives the fit, cut several rowels, and give a purging clyster night or morning ; after this two or three purges ; and an ounce of equal parts of antimony and crocus metallorum for a month or the same quantity of cinnabar and gumguaiacum.

A Cure for the Mad-Staggers.

If it is the mad-staggers, a horse will foam white at the mouth, have a blue film over his eyes, appear to be dull-headed, and disposed to wander much about : and sometimes to be quite raging, beating his head about in a most shocking manner.

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