

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
Miscellaneous.

STIFLE DISLOCATION.

Yearling colt was, one morning, unable to back; one hind foot came off the floor with a snap. She was all right for some days, when we found her one morning the same way. After we make her back and step up, her toe will drag for a step or two. She is in good health and thriving.

W. J. M.

Ans.—This is evidently partial dislocation of the stifle. Place a rope around the fetlock of the effected leg, and have an assistant draw the limb well forward, while with the hand you press the bone forward and inward at the same time, when it will usually fly into place with a sharp click. Keep colt tied in stall, and the limb well forward by means of a sideline tied to a collar or strap around its neck. A smart blister of cantharides (Spanish fly), one part to six parts lard, applied twice, with a week between, will assist in effecting a cure.

FANNING-MILL SCREENS.

Is there any method or scale by which fanning-mill sieves or screens are numbered, according to size of mesh? W. B.

Ans.—The Manson Campbell Co., Chatham, Ont., furnish the following list of the sizes of the screens and riddles in use in their ordinary mills:

Size.	Wire or zinc.
2 x 2 mesh.	Wire.
5-16 hole.	Zinc.
1 hole.	Zinc.
5-64 hole.	Zinc.
20 x 20 mesh.	Wire.
4 x 5 mesh.	Wire.
8 x 8 mesh.	Wire.
2 x 10 1/4 mesh.	Wire.
9 x 9 mesh.	Wire.
7-32 hole.	Zinc.
7-32 hole.	Zinc.
9-64 hole.	Zinc.
9-64 hole.	Zinc.
3-32 hole.	Zinc.
1/4-inch hole.	Zinc.
20 x 20 mesh.	Wire.

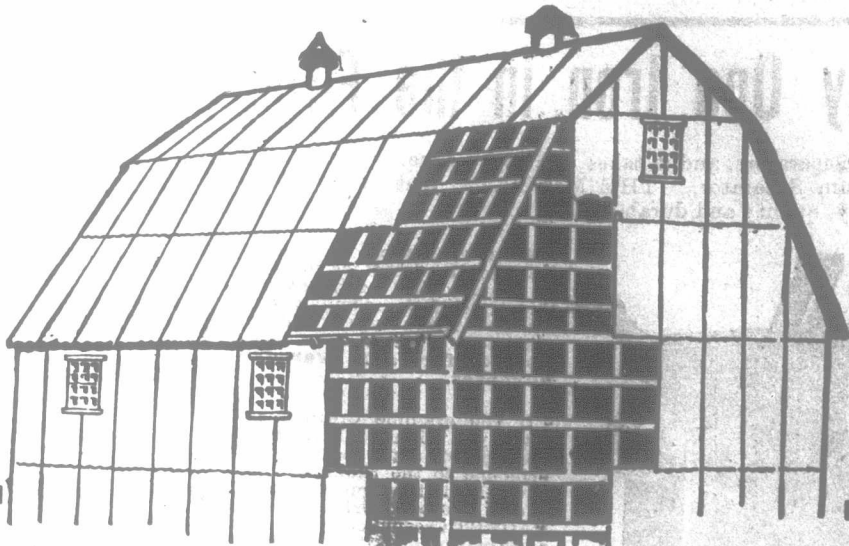
Screen.	To clean.
1	Oats and chaff.
2	Barley and fall wheat.
3	Peas, beans and oats.
4	Red clover seed.
5	Timothy seed screen.
6	Peas, beans and oats screen.
7	Fall wheat for seed.
8	Cheese and oats from wheat.
9	Wheat for market and oats.
10	Spring wheat riddle.
11	Oats from wheat riddle, also
12	Cockle and wild peas from wheat.
13	Cockle from wheat.
14	Timothy seed from wheat.
15	Fall wheat riddle.
24	Alsike clover screen.

FEEDING YOUNG CALVES.

Please advise me in regard to feeding flaxseed meal to young calves, three weeks old. I am putting them gradually on to separator milk. Should it be boiled or scalded? What quantity should be given? Could you advise anything better? Is flaxseed meal good for young pigs?

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Ans.—If flaxseed is fed to calves, it should be the whole seed, soaked for 12 hours, then slowly boiled to a jelly, and about half a teacupful of this fed to each calf in warm milk, and increased to a cupful later. Flaxseed meal will almost certainly upset the digestive organs and cause diarrhoea if fed in milk, and is also liable to affect the joints of the legs, if fed too freely. Boiled flaxseed is safe to feed, but we do not consider it necessary if a little trouble is taken to teach the calves to eat dry feed early, which can be done at three weeks to a month old by putting some whole oats or oats and bran in its mouth after it has taken its milk, then keeping fresh sweet clover and oats and bran within its reach. Successful calf-raisers claim that there is no more suitable gran feed for calves than whole oats. We have had no experience in feeding flaxseed meal to young pigs, and would be cautious about using it, except in very small quantities, and would think it safer if boiled. Oil-cake meal would be safer, and might be fed in moderation, uncooked, to either pigs or calves, but to the latter, dry, mixed with bran and oats.



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