

The Bloomfield Times.

HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.

We invite communications from all persons who are interested in matters properly belonging to this department.

Spavin, Ring-Bone, etc., With Methods of Treatment.

The horse is our noblest domestic animal, perfect in structure, imposing in appearance, full of intelligence and if kindly treated giving in return an affection almost human in its nature, and performing to the last point of endurance the tasks imposed, and we may add is too often subjected to the hardest and harshest usage of any of our animals, and probably for this reason is the most liable to disease and blemishes.

Many an otherwise valuable horse is disfigured for life and rendered more or less unfit for service by ugly spavins, unsightly ring-bones, splints, etc. Some times these difficulties are not of a serious nature, that is, do not lame the horse, or make any material difference in the ability for performing work on the farm but such animals are rendered unsaleable, or if disposed of, it must be at a sacrifice of price. Generally, however, the horse is permanently lamed, unless the cause is removed, which is very seldom—and often entirely ruined for travel or work.

Spavins are most generally produced by a strain or overwork in drawing. The bony excrescence or substance of which it is composed will grow quite fast and sometimes give the appearance of an enlarged joint, and unless attended in season will soon become difficult to manage. Many remedies have been devised for this difficulty, but usually with very indifferent success. Blistering is generally resorted to when anything is attempted, and will in some cases when properly performed, stop the growth of the spavin but will not remove the bunch already formed or cure the lameness, besides the process is a painful one producing soreness and rendering the horse more or less unfit for service.

Some four years ago Dr. B. J. Kendall of Enosburgh Falls, Vt., having a horse troubled with spavin tried blistering to cure it. The operation appeared so painful and unsatisfactory that it was abandoned with the belief that a remedy less torturing in its application and more certain in its effect might be devised. Accordingly the Doctor set himself to work, and being a practical physician and a druggist, succeeded in preparing a remedy that since its introduction to public notice, has achieved a success that is of the most satisfactory character. About three years since, hearing of several cases where "Kendall's Spavin Cure," as the remedy is termed, had been used with good effect. I took some pains to ascertain the facts in the case, and reported the same for several of our leading agricultural journals. I give a few instances to which I am personally knowing. Mr. R. A. Gaines, of Berkshire, Vt., owned a valuable horse having a spavin of the size of half a hen's egg, and producing severe lameness. After trying the usual remedies with no effect, learning of "Kendall's Spavin Cure," a bottle was obtained and used according to directions. The application produced no blistering, did not appear to be painful, and left no scar or callosity. A one dollar bottle was used and it cured the spavin, stopping the lameness and removing the bunch. I examined the legs carefully and could find no difference in the size of the joints, and could not tell upon which the spavin was located. The horse has been worked hard since and upon examining him the second time a while since, after an interval of three or four years, was pleased to find no return of the difficulty in any shape or manner; one leg is as sound and perfect to all appearances as the other.

Mr. N. F. Weld, also of Berkshire, Vt., treated a bad case of spavin with this remedy and in six weeks the lameness was gone, and the bunch nearly removed and he considered the horse cured. There has been no return of the difficulty since, although the horse has been worked hard. A. A. Simkins of West Enosburgh Vt., has had an experience similar to the above, and others might be given but these may be considered sufficient to establish the fact of the curative powers of this remedy, and also which is equally important, the permanence of the cure; the relief afforded being not temporary, but lasting in effect.

Equal success has been had with "Kendall's Spavin Cure" in the treatment of splints, curb, ring-bone, strains of all kinds, callosity, etc. I wish to call particular attention to this as a humane method of treatment, the remedy, while it is efficient in operation yet does not produce pain or soreness, as is the case with most applications. This feature is deserving of notice and is receiving commendation from many prominent gentlemen in this country, among whom I would mention Mr. Charles A. Currier,

special agent for the Massachusetts society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, Boston Mass., and others.

Although this remedy was originally designed for the treatment of horses, yet it has been used for human ailments such as different forms of rheumatism, or deep seated pains of long standing, with equally good effect.

"Kendall's Spavin Cure" has been introduced throughout the most of this country and is being put into the hands of all the wholesale druggists from who it may be obtained, or through whom it may be ordered by every druggist. Dr. Kendall has also compiled a small work or "Treatise on the Horse and his Diseases," of about 100 pages, fully illustrated, and giving in a small compass a large amount of useful information, free from all technical terms and which will be worth many times its cost of twenty-five cents, to all owners of horses.

Something of the favor with which this work is being received by the public may be inferred from the fact that one hundred thousand copies have been sold since April last. Should any one desire further information upon any matter contained in this article, they will please address Dr. B. T. Kendall, at Enosburgh, Vt. E. R. TOWLE, West Berkshire, Vt., Sept. 1879.

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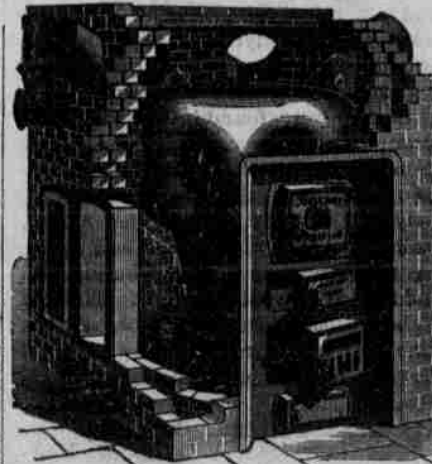
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