

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

For obvious reasons, we answer no questions verbally or by mail or telegraph, except those coming from Presidents or Proprietors of race-tracks or conductors of important events in sports within our scope which demand immediate decision.

P. H. G., Minneapolis, Minn.—A, B, C and D are playing poker. There comes a jack pot, which is opened by A with two nines and two trys, his fifth card being a jack. B stays, while C and D drop out. Before the draw A makes the following remark: "I suppose a man is at liberty to split his openers and draw to a flush or a straight."

INQUIRER, Herkimer, N. Y.—1. Has either Bijou, by War Path, dam Goldmine, or Bijou, by Imp. Australian, dam Geneva, ever produced any winners? 2. What are they? 3. Were either of them ever bred to George Kinney? 4. If so, what is the produce? 5. Has the bay gelding Rally, by G. B. Bruce, dam Tina M., started anywhere this Fall?

J. H. V., New Orleans, La.—A, B, C and D are playing whist. A leads; B follows suit, and C demands to see the last trick turned before playing. D protests and claims that a player has no right to see the last trick turned while there's a trick pending on the table.

G. H. S., New York—1. Where could I learn the method of handicapping races. I understand there are various ones in vogue; also, that there is one known as the "Old Brooklyn Method." Kindly enlighten me as to which one you think the best, and as to whom I can obtain the same from.

J. T. G., New York City—1. Give pedigree of Imp. Glenlyon, the sire of Gonfalon, whose dam was Goddola. 2. Was Glenlyon of any account as a race-horse? 3. Give pedigree of Glenlyon, bay horse, foaled 1866, by Stockwell, dam Glenwortie, by Touchstone; 2d dam Glencairne (sister to Imp. Glencoe), by Sultan; 3d dam Trampaline, by Tramp; 4th dam Web, by Wax; 5th dam Penelope, by Trumpeter; 6th dam Prunella, by Highflyer.

S. C., Nashville, Tenn.—Lansom bets Coan \$40 to \$25 that Turney is elected. John Demerville bets Coan \$50 to \$40 Turney beats Evans for Governor, November election, 1894. All bets were made four days after the election.

J. C. L., Watertown, N. Y.—Give pedigree of Louis R., Answer—Louis R. (Kilkenny), chestnut colt, foaled 1888, by George Kinney, dam Bijou, by War Path; 3d dam Goldmine, by Imp. Australian; 3d dam Income, by Revenue; 4th dam Madeline, by Boston; 5th dam Magnolia, by Imp. Glencoe; 6th dam Myrtle, by Mameluke.

BALTIMORE, Md.—Give the breeding of Lucy B., claimed to be standard and registered. She is a bay mare, 15 1/2 hands, sired by Pasacas, son of Almont, 33, dam by Mambrino Rattler. Answer—She is not registered in any of the published volumes of the "American Trotting Register."

A CONSTANT READER, Covington, Ky.—A wills \$500 to B and her heirs. C, administrator of A's estate, compromises with B by giving her \$300. Has B a right to compromise and can her heirs recover the \$200 by law? Answer—We do not answer legal questions.

H. C. V.—Give pedigree and record of trotting horse (gelding) Rival, said to be by Smuggler, with a record about 2:26 or 2:27. Answer—There is no horse of that name with any such record, nor has Smuggler a horse of that name to his credit with a record.

S. C. D., Pittsfield, N. H.—A game of pitch, bid to the board. A and B are 9 apiece. A bids B 2 and B takes it. A plays and makes high, jack game; B makes low and claims out and takes the money. Answer—A wins.

H. H. S., Canal Dover, O.—A bets B that by weighing a tub partly filled with water and putting a five-pound fish in it that the scales won't vary an ounce. Who wins. Answer—B.

P. F. M., New York.—In a game of draw poker does the edge pass to the next man playing if the party who holds the edge drops out before the draw takes place? Answer—No.

Many questions stand over till next week.

VETERINARY DEPARTMENT

PRESCRIPTIONS FOR SICK OR INJURED HORSES AND CATTLE.

BY R. A. FINLAY, D. V. S. Subscribers to or regular purchasers of this paper who have sick or injured horses or cattle, can have advice through this column, gratis, by sending an account of the complaint they desire advice upon. Subscribers are expected to send their full name and address, for the purpose of identification, but names and localities of applicants will be omitted when such request is made. Purchasers will please forward name of new agent from whom they regularly buy THE SPIRIT.

Venous Congestion.

A large thoroughbred horse, eight years old, which had been standing still for some ten days, owing to a slight injury to a hoof, and during this time had been given too much to eat, suddenly became dumpy, stopped eating, and stood with his head hanging down and eyes partly closed. An examination showed: Pulse, 48; respiration, 28; temperature, 103 1/4; stomach hard and somewhat distended; evident oppression and distress in region of stomach; bowels rather constipated; very small passages. I gave one and a half pints linseed oil, which began to purge him violently in about fifteen hours. The passages being either very thin, or entirely of clay-colored water. No pain, straining, or flatulency. Purge continued for two days before I could stop it, and during this time his pulse kept at 48, while temperature varied from 101 to 105 1/4, and respiration alternating between normal and 30 per minute. As soon as purge began to take effect his legs and sheath swelled up and remain so now. At present his condition is normal, excepting the oedematous swellings, absence of respiratory murmur, and a very slight cough, short and soft. Will cough when throat is felt of, eats well and seems bright. All symptoms have been treated with homeopathy. Please give opinion of case, stating what the matter with the animal is, and what is the meaning of the continual changes in the temperature and respiration, and what had I better do for the swelled legs, etc.

Answer—From the symptoms presented we are of the opinion that the primary trouble was an impaction of the colon by food, the condition of flatus noticed in the flanks, and all other attending symptoms points to that the treatment resorted to was called for mainly to unload the bowels, but it seems to have acted too severely. Whether this was from some peculiar condition of the patient at the time, or from some other agent that was used in connection with the oil, we cannot from the symptoms understand. One and one-half pints of oil should not in an aged horse act as you claim it has acted. The condition of affairs that is now found is the result of debility, produced by the drastic effect of the purgative given, and the condition is a venous congestion due to a want of power in the muscular coats of the vein to force upward the column of blood. This is a common source of trouble in horses in dealers' stables in large cities, especially among those who follow up the old practice of physicking horses just brought in from grass. The treatment that we would recommend in the present condition is of a general tonic nature, notably to tone the system up and assist Nature to recuperate her lost power. Diuretic would seem to be indicated, to increase the action of the kidneys, thereby relieving the blood of its watery element, and by this means reduce the oedematous swelling now in existence; but the tendency by this plan of treatment is to still further debilitate the patient. To tone up the system is the better way, at least it so presents itself to us from our diagnostic standpoint. To this end we would recommend the following drench, to be given twice a day; Whiskey, four oz.; tincture muriate iron, three drachms; fluid extract of ergot, one drachm; tincture gentian comp., half an oz. Give good nutritious food in moderate quantities, regular walking exercise, to promote the absorption of the swellings by friction to the parts (hand rubbing) and bandaging, and time, with the assistance you are giving to Nature, will restore the impaired functions of the parts.

Fired and Blistered Ankles.

I have a nine-year-old thoroughbred steeplechase gelding whose front ankles I fired and blistered Nov. 9. He stood in a box stall for a month afterward, and since then has been turned out in a big field. The fever seems entirely gone out of his legs and I would like to know how soon I can begin training him. Answer—Let him run out as long as possible. The exercise that he will take will harden the tendons and prepare them for the work that you intend them for better than by a forcing process. The early part of March is early enough to think of putting him to work. A horse after firing and blistering ought to have at least four months' rest.

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