

The Live-stock Division :—

The description given is insufficient for forming a definite opinion, but we are inclined to think the short-winded condition is due to the mare being broken-winded, while the frothing at the mouth is probably the result of irregular or sharp teeth. There is no cure for broken wind, but proper dieting helps to alleviate the trouble. We should advise having the mare's mouth examined and attention given to her teeth.

EGGS AND EGG-PULP IN COLD STORAGE.

A RETURN issued by the Government Statistician shows the following stocks in the Dominion as at 31st March, 1925—corresponding figures for the same date in 1924 being added in parentheses: Eggs in shell, 59,698 dozen (44,942 dozen); egg-pulp, 584,601 lb. (840,889 lb.); frozen whites, 1,773 lb. (2,618 lb.); frozen yolks, nil (nil).

INVENTIONS OF AGRICULTURAL INTEREST.

APPLICATIONS for patents, published with abridged specifications in the *New Zealand Patent Office Journal* from 12th March to 23rd April, 1925, include the following of agricultural interest :—

No. 53287: Milking-machine teat-cup support; E. Sattler, Hurleyville. No. 53293: Wire-strainer; Donald and Sons, Ltd., Masterton. No. 50814: Axe-handle guard; W. Wilkey, Riversdale. No. 51979: Insect-destroying; American Cyanamid Co., New York. No. 52970: Chaffcutter-feed; W. Bishop, Ballarat, Victoria. No. 51717: Sheep-dipping bath; B. F. Mitchell, Auckland. No. 51725: Milking-machine releaser; D. M. Wallace, Ltd., Te Aroha. No. 51917: Flax-fibre bleaching; P. M. Thompson, Green Island. No. 53536: Milking-machine milk-measuring and sample-obtaining device; H. Bodley, Wellington. No. 51525: Shearing-machine hand-piece; H. V. Rutherford, Ashhurst. No. 51676: Identifying cows with their milk tests; M. C. Drabble, Pongakawa. No. 52922: Cream or milk aerating; T. Topliss, Greymouth. No. 53636: Disk plough; G. F. Shave, Lyndhurst South, Victoria. No. 53967: Flax-treatment; L. C. Chaytor, Spring Creek.

Copy of full specifications and drawings in respect of any of the above may be obtained from the Registrar of Patents, Wellington. Price, 1s.

FRUIT-EXPORT CONTROL.

THE following regulations under the Fruit Control Act were gazetted on 23rd April:—

(1.) The maximum fees payable to members of the New Zealand Fruit-export Control Board, constituted under Part I of the said Act, shall be as follows: Chairman, £50 per annum; other members, £25 per annum. Provided that when the Chairman or any other member is engaged on the business of the Board in the Dominion, other than that connected with ordinary Board meetings, the following additional fees shall be payable: Chairman, £2 2s. per diem; other members, £1 1s. per diem.

(2.) The maximum rate of travelling-allowance payable to members of the said Board shall be £1 per diem, plus actual locomotion expenses.

(3.) The charge payable by way of levy on all fruit produced in a district in which Part I of the said Act is for the time being in operation and intended for export shall be as under :—

Capacity of Case.	Levy per Case.
Half-bushel and under 0½d.
Exceeding half-bushel but not greater than one bushel 1d.

(4.) Any moneys payable under clause 3 hereof shall be paid to the Board immediately upon the shipment of the fruit from the Dominion.

An Order in Council, issued in the same *Gazette*, fixed 23rd April as the date on which the above-mentioned levy or other similar charges prescribed from time to time by regulation should become payable.