

it is best to use the above treatment without the application of water. In some cases a certain amount of swelling takes place, but in most instances it subsides without further treatment after a few days, provided the wound is kept clean. When the swelling is severe, hot fomentations followed by cold may be used.

Tincture of iodine is useful for treating small cuts and abrasions, and should be applied immediately the injury occurs. It is not suitable for application to larger wounds.

Summary

Summarising, the following are faults most commonly observed in the treatment of injuries to horses:—

1. Sufficient care is not taken in the early treatment of what may appear to be insignificant injuries, with the result that septic complications set in.
2. Lack of care in ensuring cleanliness.
3. The use of antiseptics in too strong solution.
4. Too much washing of wounds. For all ordinary injuries the use of methylated spirits and a dry dressing will give better results.

5. Attempting to put stitches in wounds that would be better left open. Most ordinary injuries to horses heal better without stitches.

6. The above outline of treatment is given merely as first aid treatment of relatively simple wounds. In any injury of a more serious nature it is wise to obtain veterinary assistance.

Pool Price for Cheese Crates

REGULATIONS have been in force since 1937 appointing the New Zealand Dairy Board to be the sole and exclusive agent of dairy companies for the purchase and supply of butter boxes in which butter may be packed for export.

The average price at which butter boxes are obtainable by the board from box-makers during each season, after making due provision for the cost to the board of acting as the agent of dairy companies and carrying out the powers conferred by the regulations, is spread over all dairy companies by means of a pool price.

Formerly, a similar pool price for cheese crates had not been established, but in the new regulations which replace the former regulations, provision is made for a separate pool price for cheese crates required by the industry upon the same lines as that in force in respect of butter boxes.

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