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REMARKS ON
MAJOR'S INFLUENZA DRINKS.

The system of Depletion and Sedatives being still resorted to by a great many of the Veterinary profession, in all cases of coughs, colds, and influenza, with extremely unsatisfactory results, I am induced to bring before the public my Influenza Drinks, which have been very successful in my own private practice, and I consider them to be peculiarly adapted for meeting the wants of the animal's system, in these disorders, restoring its nervous energy, and giving it power to throw off the disease rapidly, instead of lingering for weeks and months, as we generally see to be the case, from the combined effects of the disease itself, and the depletory measures usually adopted for its treatment, (and which too often exert such a baneful influence on the animal's constitution, as to leave it permanently affected with some chronic disease). In all such cases, the animal ought not to be put on low diet, or receive purgative medicine; but when the bowels are torpid or constipated, from the amount of fever in the system, they must be relieved by the use of bran and linseed, and he ought to have as much boiled corn or barley as he can be coaxed to partake of, — as there is no danger of plethora from over-feeding in these cases. The fact is, that the animal's nervous system is below par, and all depletory measures, whether by bleeding, purgation, or starving, must still further reduce its energy and power for combating, or throwing off the disease. Our object, therefore, must be to keep up the strength, and this cannot be accomplished in a better or more natural manner than by liberal diet of the most nutritious and tempting food that can be put before him. Should the animal's appetite not permit of his partaking of sufficient linseed to bring the bowels into a proper state,

it must be horned down till it has the desired effect. You will thus not only relieve the bowels without disturbing or reducing the system, but you will be imparting that nourishment it stands so much in need of.

J. MAJOR.

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These Drinks have been found most efficacious in all cases of Coughs, either acute or chronic, whether simply involving the mucous membrane of the nose and of the throat, or where the mischief has extended to the Bronchial Tubes and upper part of the Lungs. In all Catarrhal affections, at whatever season of the year, they will be found superior to any other medicine that has ever yet been administered in cases of *Influenza*, particularly where there is a great amount of debility and low fever, or where the animal's energies are all prostrated. Should the animal recover, under the ordinary system of treatment, 10 per cent. of the cases will be roarers; but the superiority of the "Influenza Drinks" are exemplified not only by the rapidity of the cure they effect, but also by the thorough manner in which they eradicate all trace of the disease, not one case of an animal as yet becoming a roarer when treated with them.

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DIRECTIONS FOR USE.

In all cases where the animal has to be laid off work, he ought to have an airy loose box; he must be well clothed, his legs bandaged and often hand-rubbed, his throat dressed with mustard once or twice a day, according to the severity of the case, and where the chest is affected, the mustard should also be applied freely there. A small wine-glassful of the Drink is to be given night and morning in a pint of beer and a gill of warm water, either before or after a warm mash, the horse to have one drink a day after he has begun to recover, and his appetite always coaxed with whatever the granary can furnish at the season of the year. In all severe cases Mr. MAJOR's Advice may be had by letter, free. Address 26, Cockspur Street, Charing Cross, London.

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Bottles, containing 6 Drinks, Price 10s. 6d.; 12 Drinks, 17s. 6d.

REMARKS ON  
MAJOR'S RESTORATIVE DRINKS.

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The Restorative Drinks will be found of the greatest advantage in Racing Stables, in cases where young horses' legs in training begin to fill, and get feverish and hot. The ordinary resort in these cases is to physic, which has the effect for awhile of removing a certain portion of the fluid part of the blood, and thus relieves the plethora of the absorbents; but if we look to the cause of this filling, common sense must at once inform any rational mind, that this fineness of the legs (which at best is only temporary) is obtained at the expense of the system generally. The legs fill, simply because the system is taxed above its power of endurance. There is a greater amount of nervous and muscular energy required than a young raw colt is possessed of, to enable him to endure the work that is imposed on him. This want of energy shews itself first by the sluggishness of the absorbents generally, but more especially about the legs, and this filling is only an indication of the general state of the system, but more especially of the nervous system. Therefore, instead of reducing the system generally by physic, or other depletory measures, what is wanted is to raise it, and infuse that stimulus which will cause the absorbents to act energetically. In cases of blowing or congestion of the lungs, brought on by sudden and severe over-exertion, when all the animal's energies are prostrated, what does common sense say to taking away five or six quarts of blood to relieve the then present state of the chest? Would it not first ask, is there any inflammatory

action going on here at present? Has the animal any more blood in the system than is actually necessary for its support in a normal state? If the answer is No, (for it can be no other), when his system is thus exhausted, exhaust him still further by depletion? Since it is quite plain that he is in this state from exhaustion and want of energy; restore that to him, and he will be as well as before he was attacked. The Restorative Drinks will produce this effect, and if used judiciously, will save hundreds of Horses from being butchered yearly by the lancet.

J. MAJOR.

These Drinks have been found most efficacious in all cases of Debility, either in *Young* or *Old* Horses, from over-exertion of any kind, either in Racing, Hunting, or on the Road, whether shewing itself suddenly and alarmingly by blowing, shaking, or congestion of the Lungs; or more gradually, as it often does, at the Spring and fall of the year, by filling of the legs, loss of appetite, staring coat, sluggish pulse, general languor, &c., &c.

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One Drink to be given every night in a pint of ale and a gill of warm water; the Horse may generally have his work as usual. These Drinks will be found most beneficial (from their power to restore the energy and vigour of the system) where an animal has to undergo a series of severe exertions, one Drink to be given between each time. The party administering the Drinks must use his own judgment as to the length of time they must be given, that depending wholly upon the continuance or *not* of the symptoms for which they are given; one Drink may often be all that is necessary, or they may be extended to twelve or more with increasing benefit.

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