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(Farming)

The age of a HORSE by his

TEETH.



THE
POCKET FARRIER;
OR,
APPROVED RECEIPTS;
COLLECTED

From different authors with an intent to
cure or assist any immediate acci-
dents that may happen to a horse
till further help can be had.

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THE
POCKET FARRIER.

1. *A digestive Ointment.*

VENICE turpentine one ounce, the yolks of two eggs, honey, and tincture of myrrh, an ounce of each.

2. *A digestive Poultice.*

Oatmeal boiled in strong beer grounds to the consistence of a poultice, hog's lard enough to keep it supple.

3. *A Poultice for cracked Heels.*

Turnips or lily roots a pound, linseed half a pound, oatmeal and lard with a spoonful of common turpentine.

4. *An Ointment for cracked Heels.*

Turpentine, honey, hog's lard, and

burnt alum, equal quantities. Or the digestive ointment. No. 1.

5. *For the Grease.*

Oil of olives $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. alum 1 lb. white sugar candy 2 ounces, white vitriol 2 drachm, and one pound of honey.

6. *For ditto.*

First bleed the horse, and put a rowel in the bottom of his belly; then take 4 oz. of oil of olives, 1 lb. of honey, and 1 lb. of alum, 2 ounces of white sugar candy, one drachm of white vitriol, beaten all very fine, and mixed with the oil of honey: warm it, and then spread it upon some tow, and bind it to the sore; let him stay in the house three days before you turn him out.

7. *For ditto.*

2 lbs. of hog's lard, 1 lb. of mutton suet, 1 lb. of tar, half a pound of bees wax, half a pound of turpentine; melt the lard, suet, and wax first, then add the turpentine, 1 ounce of Barbadoes aloes, 2 drachms of cream of tartar, 2 do. of flour

of sulphur, 2 do. of ginger, 2 do. of jalap, sixty drops of the oil of aniseed, 2 drachms of saffron, powdered fine, mix it up with the sirup of buckthorn and liquorish powder.

8. *A mild gentle Poultice for any thing.*

Milk half a pint, grated bread, and salad oil three spoonfuls, put the bread and milk together, and when of a boiling heat, add the oil.

9. *A Suppurative Poultice.*

Marsh mallow leaves three handfuls, white lily roots half a pound, linseed bruised four ounces, boiled in water till the whole is pulpy, then add lard to it, to make it supple.

Good for the strangles or any swelling tending to matter, applied warm twice a day: where the swelling is in a glandular part, and matures slowly, a large onion or two may be added.

10. *A Detergent Ointment.*

The digestive as in No. 1, a pound and an ounce of fine powdered verdigrise.

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11. *A Wash to suppress proud Flesh.*

Corrosive sublimate half an ounce, lime water a quart; when dissolved pour off the clear for use. It is good for the mange.

12. *A blistering Ointment for a Splinter or Spavin.*

Sublimate or Spanish flies in fine powder, each half a drachm, tincture of cuphorbium forty drops, oil of origanum an ounce and half, nerve oil an ounce.

13. *Ditto for Ditto.*

Sublimate mercury, soft soap, and oil of origanum, equal quantities.

14. *An Ointment for nails, stubs, thorns, &c.*

Tar and oil of turpentine each one ounce, melted with an ounce of deer and mutton suet.

15. *For a sore Back.*

Oil of Peter or British oil, oil of roses and spirits of wine, equal quantities.

16. *For taking a hard substance off a horse's leg, &c. called the Black Ointment.*

Hog's lard one quarter pound, oil of

turpentine one ounce, oil of vitriol one ounce, to be applied in rubbing once in 4 or 5 days about the size of a nut, or every other day for the first two or three times to be heated in.

17. *An Embrocation for a fresh Strain or Bruise.*

Vinegar or verjuice eight ounces, an ounce of castile soap dissolved in it, and half an ounce of sal ammoniac.

18. *For an immediate Strain in the Sinews.*

Salt and milk boiled to a strong curd, bathe with the warm liquor, and bind the curd on by way of poultice.—Or an alum posset used the same way.—Or spirit of sal ammoniac, oil of brick, and oil of amber, equal quantities.

19. *For a bruised Back.*

2 oz. of spirits of turpentine and twice the quantity of water, with a table spoonful of salt.

20. *For a fresh Strain.*

Brandy half a pint, castile soap sliced

one ounce, bole ammoniac half an ounce, boiled to an ointment and rubbed in warm.

21. *For a Sprain.*

Extract of lead 2 ounces, camphorated spirits of wine 2 do. mix them, then add four ounces of opodeldock.

22. *For a Horse when stiff, or cold, after wet or very hard exercise.*

Daffy's elixir a small bottle at a time, or two drachms of camphire, and two ounces of nitre every six hours.

23. *A cordial Powder, after fatigue or hard exercise.*

Aniseed four ounces, bay berries and grains of paradise two ounces, nutmeg, cloves, and ginger each one ounce, powder and keep them up for use; an ounce may be given at a time as a cordial, in ale, or any other liquor.

24. *The true cordial Ball.*

Take aniseed, coming seed, fenugreek of the fine starched powder, elecampane root, of each 2 ounces, reduced

to a fine powder, then add to them 2 do. of brown sugar candy, beaten to powder, 2 ounces of flour of brimstone, 1 ounce of Spanish liquorish, dissolve it on the fire, in a half pint of white wine; when done take an ounce of the best chymical oil of aniseed, 3 ounces of sirup of colts foot, of salad oil, of virgin honey, sirup of molasses of each half a pint, mix these with the former powders, and as much wheat flour as will bind altogether in a paste.

25. *Stopping for horses feet, after hard exercise. Apply it warm.*

A quart of scalded bran, lard four ounces.

26. *For the beginning of a Cold.*

First bleed, then give two or three ounces of nitre in his feed or water; if costive, three or four ounces of cream of tartar in his water, or glaubers salts and lenitive electuary, four ounces, each with a drachm or two of jalap, or an emollient clyster. When the fever is over in-

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fuse two ounces of aniseed with a drachm of saffron in a pint and a half of boiling water, pour off the clear, and add four ounces of honey and four spoonfuls of salad oil. This drink might be given every night.

Or two ounces of Barbadoes tar, four ounces of aniseed finely powered, and one ounce of sirup of colts foot in some warm ale.

27. *To clear the head, when stuffed with cold.*

Elecampane powder, a pipe full blown up the horse's nostrils.

28. *Pectoral balls for a cold.*

Fresh powdered aniseed, elecampane, caraways, liquorish, turmerick and flour of brimstone, each three ounces, Spanish juice four ounces dissolved in a sufficient quantity of mountain wine; saffron powdered half an ounce, salad oil and honey each half a pound, oil of aniseed an ounce, mix together with wheat flour enough to make a paste. To be given

in a ball the size of a pullet's-egg, washed down with warm gruel, or dissolved in a pint of warm ale. Hot marshes and warm water.

29. *For a cold.*

One quart of butter-milk, when breaking in the churn, half a pint of sweet oil, half an ounce of sulphur to be given three times a week.

30. *For the wind, or a cold.*

Eighty drops of British oil, in a pint of warm ale, when going out in the morning, after the horse is warm; but a large horse 100 drops.

31. *A pectoral powder.*

Powder of fresh aniseed, elecampane, liquorish, and flour of brimstone, equal quantities; an ounce or two for a dose in honey or warm ale, if no fever.

32. *An emollient Clyster.*

Two handfuls of marsh mallows, one of chamomile flowers, fennel seed one ounce, boiled in three quarts of water,

till they come to two; strain off and add four ounces of treacle and a pint of common oil. Or, two quarts of gruel, fat broth or pot liquor, with the same quantity of oil and treacle and a handful of salt.

33. *To make a restraining Clyster.*

Add four ounces of starch, and half a drachm of opium.

34. *A good fever drink.*

Four ounces of glauber salts, four ounces of lenitive electuary, with a drachm or two of jalap, to be given every other day.

35. *For the staggers.*

James's powder a small paper at a time, given every two hours, with plenty of white water, till the horse mends. Bleed him first.

36. *For the cholick.*

An opening drink.

Boil an ounce of pepper and ginger in a quart of milk, add a handful of salt

and half a pint of oil, to be given warm. Or a small bottle of Daffy's elixir, or a pint of gin, brandy, or rum, with an equal quantity of oil, and two or three ounces of salt.

N. B. The strait gut should be raked, or a clyster.

37. *For a lax or scouring.*
An alterative ball.

Saccharine aloes half an ounce, diapante half an ounce, made into a ball, with liquorish dissolved in water and a spoonful of oil of amber. You may add myrrh two drachms, saffron a drachm and a half, and an ounce of rhubarb. If attended with a fever, the following should be begun with.

38. *Ditto for ditto.*

Rhubarb half an ounce, lenitive electuary an ounce and an half; after the working give an ounce of diascordium in a pint of red wine, mulled with cinnamon. Repeat it every day, and rhubarb balls once in two or three days.

39. *For the bots.*

Half an ounce or an ounce of tobacco in the horse's feed, or æthiops mineral half an ounce a day in a bit of cordial or pectoral ball. Or mercurial physic.

40. *For the jaundice.*

Bleed if very costive, rake or give a clyster.

41. *An opening ball for the jaundice.*

Castile soap one ounce, common rhubarb and tartar of vitriol, each half an ounce, washed down with the following drink.

42. *A drink for the jaundice.*

Turmerant and alicant soap, each one ounce, salt of tartar half an ounce, in a pint of gruel or ale, given night and morning, will generally cure. Or balls of castile soap and turmerick, equal quantities, may be given to the quantity of three or four ounces a day.

43. *For the farcy.*

Æthiops mineral two ounces, fast twelve hours before and seven after,

little water that day, and that warm; if no cure, repeat it in seven days.

44. *An ointment for the buds.*

Ointment of elder four ounces, oil of turpentine two ounces, sugar of lead half an ounce, white vitriol powdered two drachms, mixed together in a gally pot.

45. *Another ointment for the buds.*

Oil of turpentine four ounces, oil of vitriol two ounces, mixed together very gently in a pint bottle; if not mixed very gently it will burst the bottle. Put the turpentine in first.

46. *For a wounded eye.*

Honey of roses, and mucilage of quinces, each one ounce, tincture of myrrh two drachms; made warm and applied with a feather.

47. *An eye water, for an eye that weeps.*

Three ounces of spring water, sugar of lead half a drachm, a spoonful of red wine, and an ounce of honey.

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48. *An ointment for a sore eye.*

A drachm of tutty and an ounce of goose oil.

49. *For a bad eye.*

A quarter pound of honey, one pint of verjuice, one spoonful of brimstone, one do. of black pepper, a small lump of fresh butter, about the size of an egg, warm them together, and then four spoonfuls put up each nostril.

50. *Another for a sore eye.*

One pound of white copperas, one pound of white sugar candy, a tea spoonful of the juice of eye bright, and a pint of water.

51. *An alterative purge.*

Fine aloes six drachms, salt of tartar six drachms, or half an ounce each, powdered jallep two drachms. These balls may be given every sixth or eighth day for a month together, with scalded bran and warm water.

52. *A common purge.*

Saccharine aloes one ounce, myrrh and

ginger powdered, each half an ounce, oil of aniseed half a drachm, made up with sirup of buckthorn.

53. *An alterative purge.*

Saccharine aloes, half an ounce, cream of tartar half an ounce, of jalap or salt of tartar each one drachm, made into a ball with oil of amber.

54. *A good common purge.*

Grated ginger one drachm, salt of tartar and jalap, each two drachms, saccharine aloes ten drachms, thirty drops of oil of cloves made into a ball with sirup of buckthorn.

55. *To dissolve or disperse a hard substance.*

Three or four spoonfuls of goose oil, boiled in a pint or more of vinegar, to an ointment.

56. *A mercurial ointment for the same.*

Fried hogs lard, two pounds, crude mercury one pound, venice turpentine, half an ounce, rub the quicksilver with

the turpentine till they mix, so as not to see the quicksilver, then by degrees add the lard made warm.

57. *A blistering ointment for lameness, strains, stiff joints, and hard substances.*

Ointment of marsh mallows two ounces, an ounce of quicksilver, well broke with an ounce of venice turpentine, Spanish flies one drachm, oil of origanum two drachms.

How to use this ointment.

The hair to be shaved off first, the horse tied up all day, no litter, pitch plaster may be put over it, when it has done running, and the part begins to dry and peal off, a second dressing generally effects a cure.

58. *A very mild blister for the back sinews.*

Nerve ointment two ounces, oil of bays four ounces, yellow wax half an ounce, oil of turpentine one ounce, hogs lard two ounces, white mercury half an ounce, melt it altogether, and when al-

most cold, add the mercury made first into a fine powder.

59. *A stronger blister for the same purpose.*

Oil of turpentine four ounces, oil of origanum one ounce, oil of swallow one ounce, oil of amber six drachms, oil of bays one ounce, train oil four ounces, nerve oil four ounces, venice turpentine one ounce, marsh mellows, one ounce, bees wax and fresh butter two ounces, sublimate mercury one ounce and a half, melt every thing before you put the oils in, then let them boil very slowly together.

60. *A drink to promote urine.*

Rosin twelve ounces, castile soap and nitre six ounces, ginger in powder three ounces, rub the rosin and nitre, &c. together in a mortar to make the nitre dissolve the sticking qualities of the rosin, make these into a paste, with common treacle. Give a ball the size of an egg an hour before the last feed at night; let the horse fast an hour before

you give it him; to be continued for a fortnight or three weeks; if it works too much, omit it a day or two. If you hunt twice a week, you may give one each night after hunting.

61. *Another drink for the same.*

Honey, tar, and rosin, each a pound, alum four ounces, salprunel and flour of brimstone each two ounces, castile soap and nitre each four ounces, the size of a pullet's egg every other day. Or two ounces of nitre and one drachm of camphire in a ball with honey, molasses, or treacle. The drinks require no confinement nor alteration of diet.

62. *A ball to promote urine.*

Rosin three ounces, three ounces of salt of prunel, a sirup of marsh mellows one ounce, oil of turpentine three drachms.

63. *Another for the same.*

Rosin, nitre, salt of tartar, castile soap, of each three ounces, oil of juniper

one ounce, flour of brimstone three ounces, oil of turpentine one ounce, make them into balls.

64. *For a distemper that was amongst the horses in 1769.*

Half an ounce of medical regulus of antimony in fine powder, twice a day; for three days in warm marshes; then boil four ounces of liquorice root in three pints of water, to a pint and a half, in the strained liquor dissolve four ounces of honey, then add four ounces asthmatic elixir, and half an ounce of daruvian bark. To be given every other day for a week.

This was published in one of the magazines as a certain cure.

65. *For a tread or quitter for a horse.*

One third aquafortis, and two thirds tincture of myrrh.

66. *For the worms.*

Savin, rue, a box of each, a handful cut fine and bruised, boiled in two quarts of water till it comes to one, and then strained.]

67. *For a crushed back.*

Glue on fine soft leather.

68. *For the fashion.*

Æthiops mineral two ounces, liquorish powder one ounce, aniseed two ounces.

69. *Another for the fashion.*

One ounce of quicksilver killed, one ounce of flour of brimstone, and a handful of hempseed, balsam of sulphur one ounce, and a quarter pound of honey, and two spoonfuls of sweet oil.

70. *For a brittle hoof.*

Fresh butter one pound, wax half a pound, turpentine half a pound.

71. *For a horse's wind.*

The white of an egg taken clean from the yolk, then fill up with the best tar, twice a week.

72. *For a dog, bit by a mad dog.*

Turpith mineral seven grains mixed in butter; at the distance of twenty-four hours give twelve grains, repeat it every

other day for some time, and repeat it two or three succeeding fulls and changes of the moon. This receipt has been found by much experience a very sure and good cure.

73. *For the mange in a dog.*

Three ounces of pewter scraped, and two ounces of quicksilver melted together in a fire shovel. When cold, pound it to a fine powder. Give the dog as much as will lie on a shilling in butter and oatmeal. Give it three times, and every other day.

74. *To cure the mange, lice, or ticks.*

A gallon of old urine, a pound of staves-acre, boil them together; when taken off the fire, put in a pound of common brimstone, and half a pound of gunpowder; a most certain cure for the mange. Or soft soap, gunpowder, and brimstone, each two ounces, train oil four ounces, salt one ounce; boil them gently with some old stale urine.

75. *A receipt to kill rats.*

Take one quart of oatmeal, four drops of oil of rhodium; one grain of musk, two nuts of nux vomica powdered, mix the whole together, and place it where the rats frequent, and continue to do so while they eat it, and it will soon destroy them.

76. *An ointment for the itch.*

Oil of olives six ounces, white wax two ounces, melt them together, then add half an ounce of white precipitate in fine powder.

77. *For the rheumatism.*

Tincture of guaicura large tea spoonful, to be taken in a glass of wine twice a day.

78. *Ditto for ditto.*

Take two parts of balsam of guaicum, and one part of dulcified spirits of vitriol, mix them and take from thirty-five to forty drops in a glass of any cold liquor night and morning.

79. *For the ague.*

One ounce of red bark, one do. of black snake root, half an ounce of salt tartar steeped in a quart or less of French brandy; take a wine glass full, just before the ague comes on, and if necessary repeat it; two or three glasses so taken will prove an infallible cure.

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