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Ouestions and Answers. Miscellaneous.

Capital Required to Start Farming.

1. What amount of capital would be necessary to buy an average 100-acre farm? I do not mean to pay for it all at

once, but just to get a start.

2. What stock and implements would it be best to buy? Could you give a rough estimate of the money needed for M. D.

Ans.-1. It will depend a good deal on the nature of farming engaged in, and the price of land in the locality. In some districts we know of land selling for \$100 per care, while in others land apparently ust as productive can be secured for \$65 or \$70. If a person had one-half the value of the farm in sight, when commencing, it would be considered a good However, many have made good when less than one-quarter of the value of the farm was in view when they commenced farming.

2. It is difficult to give an estimate of the money required for stock and im-plements, as the price of stock varies according to the condition it is in and the Implements required for operating a 100-acre general farm will run away with a considerable sum of money, but it may be possible to hire some of the more expensive harvesting machinery in place of buying. A very fair start should be made with \$1,000 or \$1,500. As time went on stock and implements could be increased.

Improving Poor Soil.

Has sifted coal ashes any fertility if applied to a garden where gooseberries, black currants, tomatoes, raspberries are

2. On a sandy ridge that crosses a field the plow, disc, cultivator and seed drill naturally go a little deeper than on the rest of the field. Would that in itself have a bad influence on the crop? In other words, should I try to cultivate these ridges as shallow as the rest of the field?

What kind of fertilizer do you think would be most suitable for these light ridges? Soil is a sandy loam where hem-lock timber grew. What about lime for J. McF. these particular parts?

Ans.-1. Coal ashes have practically no fertilizing value. However, applied to heavy soil they tend to improve the physical condition.

It depends on the subsoil as to whether the deep cultivation would injure the crop. There is a possibility that grain is sown too deeply on the ridge. often these sandy ridges are lacking in some plant food, and in order to make them produce a crop equal to the remainder of the field, frequent applications of manure or fertilizer are necessary.

Lime might help the soil, and we would endeavor to plow down a crop of clover and apply a good dressing of barnyard manure to increase the humus in the soil. Such soils sometimes lack in potash and are nearly always low in nitrates.

Incubator Troubles.

Do you advise running an incubator in a cellar close by a furnace, or in a room where the temperature is more changeable but fresh?

Why do so many chicks die in the shell? Is it due to lack of moisture? 3. I would like to purchase the different grains, for chick feed, and crack some myself. Can you give me a list of

grains that should be used? C. D. P. Ans.—1. Some people run the incubator in the cellar, others use a room in the house, but wherever it is located the temperature should be fairly uniform, and good ventilation secured. It is difficult to keep the incubator at a uniform temperature if the temperature of the room varies very much. On the other hand, stuffy air is objectionable.

2. It may be due to lack of moisture, but is also caused by allowing the temperature to rise too high even for a very short period. When the temperature rises much above 103 degrees there is

usually a heavy loss.

3. Wheat and corn are two very satisfactory grains for chicks, oatmeal is also used. The feeds used by one successful poultryman is a mash consisting of a mixture of 100 lbs. bran, 100 lbs, cornmeal, 100 lbs. feed flour, 100 lbs. beef meal, and 33 lbs. bone meal. When the chicks go on free range the same material is fed dry together with whole wheat and cracked corn.









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