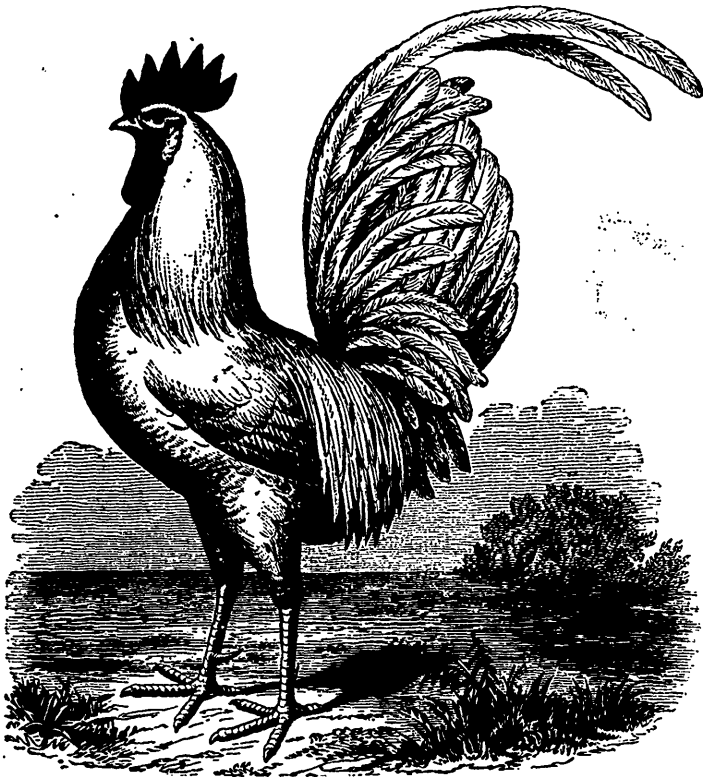


fections in the other. When, in the larger breeds more especially, size and weight can be procured without the sacrifice of other points equally essential it is always desirable to procure it, but breeders must learn that large chickens does not wholly depend on the size of their parents, and that defects in the latter if not counterbalanced by mating will be sure to be inherited by their progeny. Size in our opinion is a secondary consideration, shape, carriage

and markings take priority. Chickens when hatched early and carefully attended and fed may be largely increased in size, although their parents may not be very large. We always prefer an active, lively, well-formed cock, even if small, to one that is large, ungainly and defective in some of the above points. To produce exhibition chickens, more attention must be paid to mating for the breeding pen.



WHITE LEGHORNS.

The White Leghorn's are deservedly a popular breed. From the standpoint of the fancier, the snow-white of their plumage and the vivid scarlet of their showy combs and wattles, the graceful

outlines of their form and their sprightly carriage make them objects of admiration, while their utilitarian qualities are no less prominent. They are a breed vigorous in constitution with but a small percentage of loss, and the hens lay an abundance of good-sized handsome