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Quirks on Poultry Management

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I usually have aboug 200 laying
hens in my charge, såd have them
divided into pens, each pen accommodating about 13 hens. These pens
are 12 feet square and six feet 10
inches high. The roost board is 12 by
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clucking houses are not meant for setting hens, but are used to put the setting nens, but are used to put the hens in when they are not required for setting. Two sticks or scantlings nine feet long running lengthwise of the roost board and one foot up



"The Proof of the Pudding"

Are women naturally poultry experied A usit to the farm of Logy McKe in the control of the contr

from it serve as perches. A place made underneath this roost board at the opposite side from the board at the opposite side from the clucking apartment, accommodates the nests, which resemble a drawer, and are made 15 inches wide and 14 inches high, the length being divided into four nests. The door on the fust comes down on hinges, and it is fastened back into place again with fastened back into place again with a second of the companion of the com-tained of the com-tai

basin supplies two pens. The front of the pens have a door and two windows, with an outside run 96 feet long and 19 feet with the control of the pens have a door and two windows, 12 feet wide.

All floors are cement. When win-ter sets in, we scatter a couple of wheelbarrows of sand over the floors, and about a foot of straw on top of the sand.

In summer time I feed my hens grain in the morning, raw vegetables at noon and a mash consisting of as noon and a mash consisting of bran, oat chop, corn meal and shorts, mixed with cold, soured separator milk I also add a quantity of ground bone to this mixture. I always make sure to have these mashes thick and ell mixed together.

sell mixed together.

I make a practice of having the male birds separated from hens during winter. I place them in the pensagain six weeks before I start to colect eggs for hatching. In most cases shen male birds are placed in a pen hey will fight. To prevent this I cut flow their spurs. When I am puting the male birds back with the sen, I always put young male birds with old hens and old male birds with old hens and old male birds with all birds.

Every poultryman should be a mili-ant. He should continually be at var with lice and mites.

Original and Otherwise

A variety of grain is always pre-Ferable to an unmixed ration.

Lice can become great grandmothers in 24 hours. Hence fight them

constantly or they will get the start

Did you sprinkle the floor of the hen house two or three times a day in the hot weather last summer? If not try it next.

Did you compare your poultry with those at the agricultural fair? It is sometimes hard on one's vanity but a stimulator nevertheless.

a stimulator accertheless. We suppose all of the dusklings have gone to market long ago. There is no profit in keeping them over 10 or 12 weeks. If you still have they are eating their heads off.

The chicks are getting too large for their small over crowded coops. It's about time to be getting the pullets into winter laving quarters. They will do better separated from the male hirds.

Plants the Whole Winter Through

(Continued from page 4.)

gus ferns, kentia belmoreana palm, anthericum, rubber plant, and the aspedistra; the latter resents too frequent watering.

In repotting geraniums, bulbs and strong growing plants, use one part of sard to eight or ten parts of soil. For sand to eight or ten parts of soil. For begonias, fuchias, coleus, palms and dracenas two parts of leaf mould can be used in addition to the sand, Water newly potted plunts liberally once, then sheds for a few days. Too much water size was a few days. Too much water given newly potted plants often does them harm.

A POINT NOT TO BE NEGLECTED

The drainage of house plants should be attended to regularly. Many plants die from over-watering, and from standing in water in the saucers.

In a short time you will notice the In a stort time you will notice the leaves turning yellow and dropping off. Plants in pots set in jardinieres should be examined every day, as the water becomes stsgnant, and soon injures the plant. It is a safe plan to lift them out of the jardiniere over nicks.

night. For winter bloom we find the For winter bloom we find to our gas heated rooms. We have tried the azaleas and poinsettias, but without success, as they require greenhouse facilities.

To have success with bulbs it is necessary, first, to have plenty of drainage; second, to give plenty of time for a strong root growth before forcing; third, to have the right kind of soil with the control of soil with th of soil, rich, yet light and porous. Failure in not giving sufficient time for root growth is sure to bring dis-appointments. Nearly all of the bulbs appointments Nearly all of the hulbs require at least six weeks, but 10 for better, to develop strong roots before being forced. I have not beer recessful with freezias, but hyacisths, both single and double, are very satisfactory for feering. The paper white narcissus is a great favorite, as it requires less time before blooming than some of the other varieties. The double daffodil and tulip, two or three planted in a four-inch pot, make a pretty decoration for the table.

A POINT IN POTTING BULBS. A POINT IN POTTING BULBS.

When potting bulbs, examine each one, and if there is a crust on the base, cut it off gently, or the strength of the bulb will be exhausted by the efforts of the root to get through. When ordering bulbs, order early, and assure the base and secure the best.

and secure the best.

It is not necessary to plant all at once, but arrange to have a succession of bloom. What is more cheery during the winter months than a few pots filled with bright colored hyaccinths, crocuses, tulips, or jonquils?



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