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DESCRIPTION OF MR. J. E. MEYERS' POULTRY HOUSE.

THE foundation for this poultry house averages three feet deep and one foot wide. This is filled solidly with stones of all sizes and cement. The walls above the foundation are eight inches thick, four feet high on north and south sides. They are built of cement, with small stones in the centre of such a size that in no place do they reach any nearer the outside than two inches. The gable ends are solid cement same as the walls. The whole of the floor inside is cement. It is two and a half inches thick under the fowls, and three inches thick in passage-way and feed room. Forty-four barrels of Queens-ton cement were used in the building. Ten barrels were used in the foundation, twelve barrels in the floor, and the rest in the walls. About twenty yards of clean gravel besides the stones were u.ed. The sheeting boards on the roof are placed close together, and over them is placed two thicknesses of heavy tarred felt, and on this are placed the shingles. The perpendicular portion of the south side above the short south roof is built of matched lumber inside, tarred



MR. MEYERS' POULTRY HOUSE.

paper, then the two by four-inch studding, tarred paper and inch lumber battened outside. There are quite a number of upright two by four-inch studding supporting the roof, all resting on solid stone and cement, which makes the building very solid. A three-foot passage runs through the center. The south half of the building is divided into ten six by eight-foot pens, and the north half is divided into five pens, eight by ten feet, and a feed and incubator room.

Each south pen has a window containing a single light of twenty by thirty-inch double thick glass, placed in the centre. These light the south pens, while the north pens obtain light from the same number (ten) of windows of the same size placed in the wooden part of the south side. By this arrangement of the windows

the north side pens are lighter than the south side pens. Each pen has a small hole nine by thirteen inches, through which the fowls go to the yards. These holes are opened and closed from the passage by means of cords on pulleys.

The partitions between the pens consist of a twelve-inch high board, above which is fifteen inches of half-inch mesh wire, and above which again is two-inch mesh wire. We prefer the half-inch mesh wire to an-