

somest and best tempered Does to serve as breeders. Does will continue prolific till they are five years old ; after that it is usual to fatten them for the table though in such cases the purchasers may have to complain that he has met with a hard bargain. Beyond that age, it is rare to meet with rabbits surviving in a domestic state. The duration of their natural life is said to be no more than from six to eight years. Buffon extends the term to nine.—*E. S. Delamer.*

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Poultry Raising for Ladies.

One young country girl, Miss Annie Kirk, of Bethel, Pa., is entitled to the praise of being the best lady poultryist on record. In 1872 she cleared \$330, after paying for all the feed, freight, etc. She commenced with eighty fowls—Cochin Chinas, Brahmas, and other varieties, and found the Cochin and Brahmas the most profitable, being healthier and of speedier growth for the market. She fed from seven to ten bushels of corn per week, and the young ones with cracked corn. She is also keeping an account of stock this year—an account which shows every item of expense and profit—and expects to realize as much, if not more, than last year. When attacked by the prevailing poultry disease, last year, Miss Kirk speedily checked its spread by the free use of lime, scattering it all about, and giving lime-water to drink. An example was given last year of a lady at Concord, Mass., who raised a gross value of \$350 worth from Dominiques and common breeds ; but this was exceeded by Miss Kirk, whose profits alone are \$330. Such efforts as these on the part of our

be taken off. Drawers or Boxes only part filled, when there has been enough stored below for winter use, may also be taken off during this month, as the Bees will, as soon as they find the honey harvest failing, remove the honey below, from all boxes partly filled. So that they may as well be taken off and saved for feeding purposes if needed, if not the owner can make use of the honey.

Fancy Fowls:

Fannie Field, in the *Ohio Farmer*, says.

And now a word about buying fancy fowls. Get the best every time ; it don't pay to get cheap stock—it is the dearest in the end. I know, for I tried it on several different occasions. Once I paid a dollar and a half for a setting of Light Brahma Eggs, and they were the dearest eggs I ever bought. Five of them hatched, two of them were as black as the ace of spades, and of the