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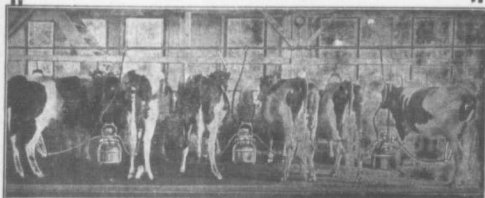
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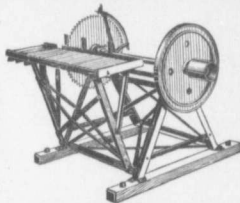
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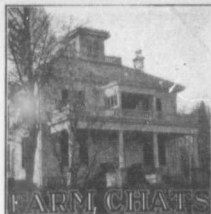
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### A Happy New Year

H. Percy Blanchard, *Hants Co., Ont.*

**B**y the time the wish expressed in this title reaches Our Folks, a month will have been torn off the calendar of 1916. What have the remaining eleven months in store for you?

The Greeks used to picture to themselves the gods assembled on high Olympus, making merry at their feasts, and watching with much interest and often participating in the strifes and struggles of puny mortals down below—The heroes, the poets the Kings were to the gods like actors on a stage, and the greatest and noblest received Olympian praise. Alas that man is mortal; 'e'en the best the noblest, the wisest to their rest Must all be laid.

Day after day the world begins again. Goes onward only to return to when First man was made.

One bright morn, e'er the sun had left the east,

The merry gods in rivals sat, when ceased

"Music's sweet strain. "Why now this sudden silence?"

A whisp'er answered, "William Shakespeare's dead."

Now all in vain.

The strings are touched, Appolo's lyre

Will sing no more; The morning reed is mute.

Is there no one.

Or cannot all the gods another make,

Great as the Master who his harp will take?

No; there is none.

At last in council the great gods decide,

To recreate each part, and thus divide

The Muse's King.

So, all agreed, high Jove forms the head

A demigod so glorious all said,

"This man shall sing.

Of deities; yet, sing celestial praise,

And hew upon his throne Olympus sways

All mundane things. In triumph Jove extols his creative art.

From off their seats the exultant gods upstart

With waving wings, Then bloody Mars, with strong yet caution hands,

The arm and shoulders takes; and now there stands

The bard of war.

Behold; and listen to his song, and bow

He sings of men and arms, the sword

Of wounds and gore.

Now laughing Venus takes the breast and heart,

And shows the fruit of sweetly dext'rous art.

Soft notes above—

Enchanting melodies—throughout the skies resound;

The lute, the pipe, and gods' sweet voices sound

In strains of love.

When silence, swift winged Mercury's skill

Fashions the feet and legs. "This man I will

He says at length,

"Shall sing of chariots, the athlete's speed or grace,

The hero's strength."

Now all the merry chord the stomach sieges,

And make a man the multitude to please—

A humorous man.

"Sing loud," with comic dignity they shout,

"Of wine and women, of the midnight rout;

Sing if you can."

Thus bid, the creature midst their laughter sings;

With shout and merriment the great dome rings

Load the gods cry,

We cannot let these men go down to earth;

Here must they stay, our ministers of glad refrain

Here in the sky."

Singing, amidst the gods they yet remain—

The gates wide open thrown, the glad refrain

For man to hear—

"Take thou the Season's Blessings as they fly,

Each joy and pleasure as it passes by, A Bright New Year."

### Breeding Time Notes

**A**n old time theory said that hens without the attention of a male would lay as well, but not so apt to become broody, as those mated. Our records show they will lay as well as unmated flocks are not broody-proof by any means. The past season our unmated birds with a few exceptions, became broody first, while two-year old hens were the last to show any signs.

During incubation, eggs should be tested on the seventh and fourteenth days. At the first test the air cell should measure about a quarter of an inch, on the tenth day a half inch; fifteenth day, five-eighths inch; nineteenth day three-quarters inch. The measurement should be taken from the middle of the large end.

In charging an incubator with eggs they should all be of uniform size and color. The brown shells are thicker than the white shells and therefore demand different treatment. Moisture or ventilation sufficient for the one class would not do for the other. This is the cause of many failures.

Newman says duck eggs for hatching should be washed, or the oily, greasy covering on the outside shell will be removed, and they will not hatch so well. Hallowack says he would rather wash the eggs before putting them into the incubator, than to use very dirty ones. Yet he believes that washing does injure them. He tried the experiment of putting eggs in one tray of his machine, that were gathered from the bottom of the creek where the breeding ducks bathe in. He noticed that but 30 to 25 per cent. of these eggs were fertile, owing to the length of time they were deposited in the water. At the same time eggs that were laid in the houses, or on land, gave 85 per cent. fertility.

### A Successful Egg Circle

**T**HE egg circle at Ormond, Ont., has now had its two successful years. This circle deals in both eggs and dressed poultry. The egg trade of the past two years is summed up by the secretary, J. A. Campbell as follows:

EGGS	1914	1915
Total Eggs dozen	10281	16926
Cash to Members	\$3748.53	\$3620.64
Average price per doz.	23	21.85
Lowest price per doz.	18	18
Highest price per doz.	50	45
Number of Members	40	48

The dressed poultry trade was also successful, 11,850 lbs. of poultry valued at \$650.82 being marketed through the circle.



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