cleaner; consequently the chickens grow faster, besides being stronger and healthier.

DUST FOR THE COOPS.

Some kind of dust, such as that from the road, dry earth, or peat moss, should be put in the coops. The latter will be found both the best and most convenient, because it lasts much longer before it needs removing, and in addition to this it is a disinfectant, besides saving a lot of labor and being so soft and dry, keeps the chickens feet clean and dry.

When the coops do have bottoms in, they ought to have a piece of board nailed across the front, inside the bars, so as not to interfere with the shutting of the door. This board should be, say, two and a half inches wide, or for very young chicks two inches would be wide enough, as they can get over it better. If this is not done the hen will soon scratch all the peat or dust outside.

We find there are some remarkably large chickens in different parts of the country this season. We do not think we have ever known chickens grow faster; no doubt one reason is, because there are not so many of them. We have a few chickens about nine weeks old which appear almost full grown. We think there will be some fine birds come up for show this season.

(To be continued.)

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS ON DISEASES, BREEDING, MANAGE-MENT, ETC.

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1. Give a concise, clear and exact state-

ment of case, always stating age, sex, and breed.

- 2. Enclose 3 cents stamp for reply.
- 3. Report result, not necessarily for publication. This is absolute.
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- 5. Write legibly and on one side of the paper only,
- 6. Answers to be to name in full, initials or nom deplume, the first preferred.

QUE.—Some weeks ago one of my Leghorn hens became slightly lame, and continued to be so until she had difficulty in getting around. Her legs got scabby—little lumps on them—and one morning I found her dead on her back. Her appetite was vigorous to the last. I notice to-day another of my hens getting the same way—lame—and looking much in comb the same. Thought I would write you and see what is the matter and get you to suggest a remedy. I enclose stamp for reply, and would esteem it a favor it you can give me a pointer.

Awaiting your reply, I am, Yours truly,

W. H. LAIRD.

ANS.—Change the feeding, using an abund ance of vegetable food. Avoid dampness and see that the hens are free from vermin. Give one Compound Cathartic pill immediately and after the lapse of a day a Compound Rhubarb pill for two days in succession. Apply to the leg freely the following ointment:—

Olive oil 3 parts.

Coal oil 1 part.

Thicken moderately with flower of sulphur.



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