

as Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, etc., will prove the most satisfactory. The light breeds can not be depended upon to hatch and rear their own young, whereas the heavier breeds may be relied upon for this purpose.

We have our best egg production yearly, from April and early May hatched pullets. These will commence laying if well reared between September and December, depending upon the strain or family as to whether or not they are late or early in maturing. March hatched pullets usually lay during August and then go into moult some time in November. These, of course, lay but little before March after moulting. They are, however, useful where one must have a constant supply of eggs, as the old hens decline rapidly during September and October, and the April pullets are then just getting started.

We find that Leghorn pullets or pullets of similar breeds hatched before April 15th, are apt to moult, so that we usually try and hatch these varieties after the middle of April.

Yearling hens lay fairly well, but older than this they are usually unprofitable, except as breeders when they have shown exceptional merit.

EGG PRODUCTION AND COST OF FEEDING.

COLLECTIVE RESULTS FOR 138 PULLETS FROM OCTOBER 1ST, 1909, TO MARCH 1ST, 1910.

Males.	Females.	House No.	Eggs laid.	Cost.	Average Eggs per Hen.	Amount Grain consumed.
2	23 R.I. Reds	6	1131	\$15.21	49.1	851 lbs.
2	23 B. Rocks	6	1098	14.81	41.7	826 "
2	23 R.I. Reds	5	821	14.74	35.6	820 "
2	23 B. Rocks	5	1469	15.70	63.8	880 "
2	23 B. Rocks(weak).	3	694	14.09	30.1	748 "
2	23 B. Rocks(strong)	3	622	16.04	27.0	867 "
12	138		5835	\$90.59		4992 "

COLLECTIVE RESULTS, 138 PULLETS, MARCH 1ST, 1910, TO SEPTEMBER 1ST, 1910.

Males.	Females.	House No.	Eggs laid.	Cost.	Average Eggs per Hen.	Amount Grain consumed.
2	23 R.I. Reds	6	2,187	\$15.52	95.0	811 lbs.
2	23 B. Rocks	6	2,243	14.70	97.5	759 "
2	23 R.I. Reds	5	1,778	12.53	77.3	631 "
2	23 B. Rocks	5	2,185	14.41	95.0	746 "
2	23 B. Rocks (weak)	3	1,488	12.47	64.6	626 "
2	23 B. Rocks(strong)	3	2,120	15.24	92.1	788 "
12	138		12,001	\$84.87		4361 "