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************** Making the Little Farm Pay

By C. C. BOWSFIELD

One of the oldest of subjects, but one that must be considered by successful poultry raisers, is the care of chickens. Without thoroughness in this there will be nothing but disap-

pointment and failure.

Notwithstanding all the writing and talking, it is a rare thing to find a poultry house or a flock of chickens that is free from vermin. This ens that is free from vermin. This fact explains most of the failures in poultry management. Taken in connection with filthy and drafty houses and the liberty given to fowls to run about in wet weather, the whole business becomes one of wasted effort. There are just enough well managed and profitable poultry plants to prove that the industry is a good one when it receives proper attention. tention.

There are a great many different kinds of lice that attack the fowls, but we can consider them all under



THE CARE OF CHICKENS

three classes, as they attack in the three different ways. These three classes are body lice, head lice, and mites. The body lice are on all parts of the fowls' bodies, but more especially in the soft fully feathers. cially in the soft, fluffy feathers. They usually remain on the fowl, and ney distanty remain on the lowl, and ney increase very rapidly.

It has been estimated that within

eight weeks one of the lice will have 125,000 descendants. You will see from this how much easier it is for one to destroy these pests before they

get well started in the spring.

Body lice are not bloodsuckers,
but live on the roots of the feathers and scales of the skin, causing irrita-

In getting rid of them nothing equals a good insect powder. Hold the fowl by the legs, head down, and dust the powder into the feathers near the roots, rubbing it well into the feathers and skin with the hand. In all seasons give chickens a chance to dust themselves. This will aid in destroying lice.

Head lice are true bloodsuckers. With their long bills they puncture the skin and the blood vessels underneath. They are a constant drain on the health and strength of the adult fowls, fastening themselves on their

heads and sucking the blood from a position over the brain.

As the chicks are hatched these lice leave the old hen and fasten on the chicks. If you pick up a droopy chick and examine its head you are almost sure to find these lice fast by their bills, busily sucking the blood. To destroy these rub some sweet oil or lard well into the feathers and skin on the heads of the chicks and

of the older fowls also.

Mites are even worse than these others. They hide during the day in the cracks and crevices of the henhouses, especially about the roosts, and attack the fowls at night after

and attack the lowis at hight after they have gone to roost.

To destroy them a liquid is much better than a powder. Paint the roosts and spray the dropping boards and walls with a preparation of crude carbolic acid and kerosene mixed, belf and helf half and half.

There is another parasite belonging to this family, called the depluming mite. It usually appears in the spring and summer and attacks the roots of the feathers, causing them to break off and leave a bare spot

roots of the feathers, causing them to break off and leave a bare spot.

The mite is quickly passed from fowl to fowl and soon spreads through the entire flock. You will not see anything suspicious on the bare spots, but if you will pull out some of the feathers and examine the roots you will see these mites. They have the appearance of fine dust.

Spray the houses as for the other mites and rub carborated vaseline into the roots of the feathers. It is also a good treatment to dip the fowls in a tea made from tobacco

leaves.

There is another parasite that causes the disease called scaly leg by boring under the skin of the feet and legs of the fowls. They cause a

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Why He Wanted Wings.

Tommy's mother was an invalid, so his Aunt Lavinia looked after him and the house. And she never missed a chance of pointing out a fault or expounding a precept.
"Oh, dear," said Tommy one day

after auntie had lectured him for ten minutes, "I wish I had wings!" "Why, my pet?" asked mother, pleas-

ed at this angelic inspiration. "Oh, I'd fly up in the air with Aunt Lavinia, and I'd fly and fly till I couldn't get any higher."
"Yes, dear," said mother proudly as

the little chap paused impressively. "What would you do then?" "I'd drop Aunt Lavinia!" said Tommy savagely.

Kaffir Banking

The Kaffirs have a simple method of banking. Before setting out to trade they select one of their number as their banker and put all their money in his bag. When an article is purchased by any of those who are in this combine the price is taken by the banker from the bag, counted several times and then paid to the seller, after which all the bank depositors cry out to the banker in the presence of two witness es selected, "You owe me so much!" This is then repeated by the witness.

The general accounting comes between the banker and his several depositors when all the purchases have been made, after which all the natives go home.

Meals on a Man-of-war. 'All food served on board a man-o'war is carefully inspected and prepared under the close supervision of the commissary officer. Here is a typical Sun-

day bill of fare: Breakfast.-Baked pork and beans, bread, butter, coffee. Dinner.-Roast veal or roast beef and gravy, stewed tomatoes, mashed pota-

toes, bread, butter, coffee. Supper.-Bologna sausage, cheese, po-

tato salad, bread, butter, tea. The menus of every ship are forwarded to the flagship every week so that the admiral may observe whether the men are being supplied with the proper

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To Tired Worn-out Mothers

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OUR SHRINKING SUN.

Miles Less Each Century There are various theories to account for the enormous store of heat and light in the sun. The theory now generally accepted by physicists is that the gradual contraction of the sun in cooling is the chief source of apparent inexhaustible energy. It has been calculated that at the present rate of expenditure of heat the sun's diameter would contract four miles in a century, and in a few millions of years it may

become as dense as the earth. The sun is supposed to be composed of much the same materials as the earth, except that they are at a much higher temperature. About forty of the seventy terrestrial elements have been identified by the spectroscope as existing in the vapors around the sun. Astronomers think that they find traces there of very few substances not already known. Even these may be discovered on the earth some day.

It has been calculated that the heat thrown on a square mile exposed at noon under the equator would melt in an hour 26,000 tons of ice. This amount has to be multiplied fifty million times to arrive at the quantity of heat re-ceived by the earth's surface during a single hour. Yet this enormous supply is even less than one two-thousandmillionth part of what the sun pours forth in all directions in space. It stands to reason that this inconceivable outgiving of heat must be accompanied by a gradual though imperceptible diminution in the size of the sun.

King and Commons

King James I. of England, although keenly alive to his own divine right, yet recognized the power of the house of commons. Sir Robert Cotton was one of the twelve members to carry the famous declaration against monopolies to the king at Newmarket. When the king caught sight of them he called out, "Oh, chairs, chairs, here be twal' kynges comin'." His majesty mounted his horse on one occasion to find his usually quiet steed in a restive mood. "The de'il i' my saul, sirrah," said the king to the prancing brute, "an you be no quiet I's send you to the 500 kings in the house of commons. They'll quickly tame you."

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Crushed the Diamond.

Among historic diamonds one, the Piggot, has gone out of existence. The story of its destruction is a tragical one. It was said to be worth \$200,000. The diamond came into the possession of Ali Pasha, who always wore it in green silk purse attached to his girdle. He was wearing it when he was wounded by Reshid Pasha. Knowing that his wound was mortal, he immediately retired to his divan, gave or ders that his favorite wife should be poisoned and then delivered the diamond to Captain D'Anglas with the order that it should be crushed to powder in his presence. His command was obeyed, and the beautiful gem was utterly destroyed.

Her Safety Not His Business.

"This safety movement is a great thing, but what good does it do to try to be a missionary to some of these vomen?" commented a citizen on a High street car. His pessimistic view was the result of a rebuff he had just received from an elderly woman, who, alighting from the car in the usual feminine way, with her face to the rear of the car, was informed by the "missionary" that she should have faced the other way in order to avoid an ac-

"I'm attending to my business. You attend to your own," retorted the woman. "Thanks for 'safety first,'" said the man sadly.

Beauty the Most Enviable Gift.

Much more backing could be found for the doctrine that beauty is the most enviable gift for woman than for the like in the case of man. So far as he is concerned, authority inclines to insistence on the negative aspect. No horribly ugly man can be really happy, said Aristotle, and in spite of the Greek delight in beauty the philosopher would not go beyond that. The truth in Aristotle's contention can hardly be denied. John Wilkes, whose wit and manners so largely compensated for his hideousness, said he only needed half an hour's start to be a match for the handsomest man in England. even he had to stipulate for that half hour.-London Spectator.

Men From Watford and Vicinity Serving the Empire

27TH REGT.—1ST BATTALION Thos. L. Swift, reported missing since June 15

Bury C. Binks L. Gunn Newell, killed in action

Rich. H. Stapleford

Arthur Owens F. C. N. Newell T. Ward

Sid Welsh Alf. Woodward, killed in action

M. Cunningham M. Blondel W. Blunt R. W. Bailey

A. L. Johnston R. A. Johnston G. Mathews

C. Manning W. G. Nichol F. Phelps

H. F. Small E. W. Smith C. Toop

C. Ward Ward, killed in action F. Wakelin, D.C.M., killed in

T. Wakelin, wounded-missing H. Whitsitt B. Hardy

PRINCESS PATRICIA'S C.L.L.

Gerald H. Brown

18TH BATTALION C. W. Barnes Geo. Ferris

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Percy Mitchell Lloyd Howden Gordon H. Patterson, died in Victoria Hospital, London. 34TH BATTALION

E. C. Crohn Z Stanley Rogers Macklin Hagle Henry Holmes Wm. Manning

70TH BATTALION

Ernest Lawrence - Emmerson Geo. Fountain C. H. Loveday A. Banks S. R. Wholton Thos. Meyers

Jos. M. Wardman

71ST BATTALION W. D. Lamb R. H. Trenouth

28TH BATTALION Thomas Lamb

MOUNTED RIFLES Fred A Taylor

29TH BATTERY Wm. Mitchell John Howard

ANTI-AIRCRAFT

Gunner Woolvet PIONEERS Wm. McNally

W. F. Goodman ENGINEERS

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135TH BATTALION N. McLachlan