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as soon as they got to the edge. Mother Robin hovered about watching proceedings anxiously and giving an encouraging word now and then. Finally, one youngster, a little stronger and a little braver than the rest, managed to get to the branch. Father Robin at once rewarded him with the worm, and the little robin sat huddled on the branch beside his proud father. Mr. Robin was so delighted that he sang a solo, while Mrs. Robin, her motherly heart aching for the children who had no worm, went to procure them some dinner.

If You Keep Chickens You Need an Incubator

It seems to be customary to take it for granted that every one who needs an incubator has one, or knows that he ought to. As a matter of fact, I do not believe this is the case. Instead, I think we ought to start the argument right back at the beginning, for there are a lot of folks who desperately need incubators who do not realize the fact at all—just as there are others who are struggling along with one machine where they ought to have two, or two where they need four.

This lack of proper or adequate hatching equipment is a serious matter to thousands who are not getting the right results in their poultry keeping and do not know the reason why. I don't believe that any one who depends on hens for hatching has ever carefully considered all the disadvantages and losses of this uncertain and expensive method.

It is a curious fact—but a fact just the same—that the average man who needs an incubator explains his lack on the ground of expense—he "can't afford to buy one." As a matter of fact, the man who thinks he cannot afford to buy an incubator is exactly the one who cannot afford to do without it. The man of small means is just the one who most needs to weigh the cost of every move and who must make every dollar of funds and every hour of time count. Such a one simply has to have an incubator or lose money right out of his pant's pocket; lose in time and labor, lose in results, lose in eggs, lose in prices received, lose all along the line.

Of these sources of loss one of the biggest, and one that often receives no consideration whatever, is the labor cost. Every man's or woman's time is worth money—much or some as the case may be. If it takes you two hours to do what might be done in one hour you lose

an hour's time and you lose the production that you ought to be able to show for that hour. And if that hour is lost day after day and week after week fooling with broody hens, believe me, you are paying for an incubator right there—and not getting it—about every year that you live.

Another way you lose is by not being able to get chicks out at the most favorable season, on account of not having any broody hens. Every one who depends on the natural method has had the annoying and costly experience of holding eggs long after they ought to be set because there were no broody hens to give them to—valuable eggs that should hatch early broilers to sell at 40 to 50 cents or more a pound, or pullets that would begin laying early in the fall when prices are high—and going higher. Every spring you have to hold such eggs, day after day and week after week, waiting for the hens to get in the proper humor. They never do, though, until the season is far advanced, and then you have to set just when every one else is setting, and you have to sell when every one else is selling. Poor business, that!

I know, because I have tried it. Season after season I depended solely or mainly on hens for hatching and had the distressing experience of having the eggs get so stale that they were hardly worth setting at all. And the few chickens that I succeeded in raising came straggling along to broiler size a month or more after the top of the market had gone by—after the really good prices had been cut in two—and when prices are cut that way the profits go with the top cut and what is left is mainly feed bills. I admit I was some tortoise, but there are a lot of folks to-day who are just as slow as I was about putting their fingers on the spot where they are losing out.

That isn't the only spot of course. There are several—more than I have time to write about just now, but there is one more that I want to mention and that is the small size of the flock that results from this misplaced confidence in the hen as a practical hatcher. It is simply impossible for the average man to maintain a flock of commercial size if he has to depend on broody hens. He could not do it if he worked for nothing. I have a good deal of sympathy for the farmer who, in spite of poultry papers and the United States census, refuses to increase the size of his flock much beyond the self-perpetuating point. As long as he is wedded to the natural method, that is a rational thing to do because his time is worth a good deal too much along other lines to spend any of it wrassling with sitting hens.

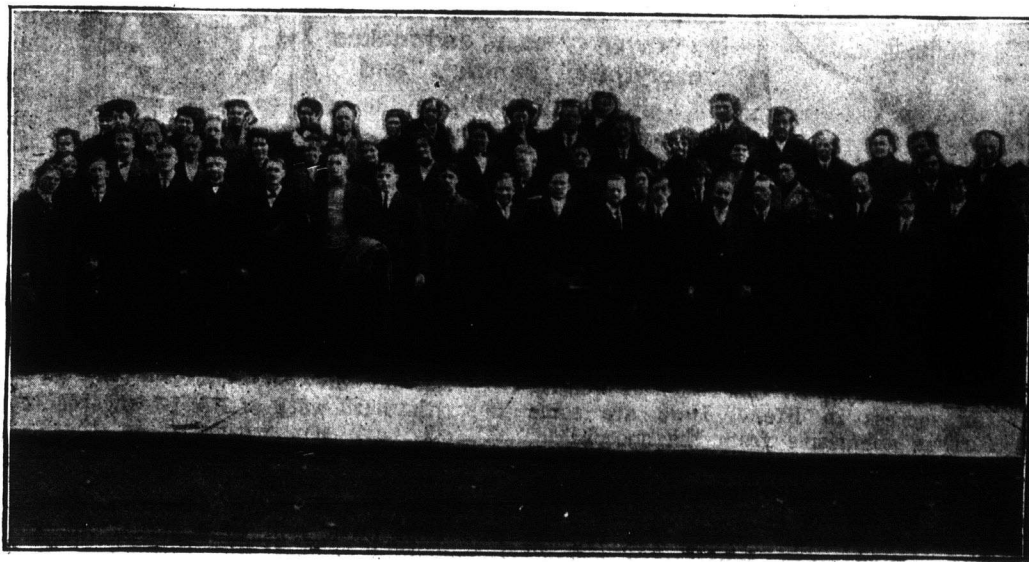
But when he gets to the point of considering buying an incubator—a good one, underscored—then that is something altogether different. I'll venture the assertion that there is not a farmer reading this paper who has bought a good incubator and a brooder ("good" again) and has built up a flock of commercial size, who has not found his poultry one of the most profitable branches of his farm work, time and invested capital considered.

But remember that much depends on getting a really good incubator—not one of the "never-again" kind. Many a farmer has tried the latter and been glad to go back to the hen again. But a good incubator is a money-maker wherever it goes. With that, and the generally better equipment and better methods that go along, you are just about as sure as you can be of anything in this world that you will have better prices, better demand, as large flocks as you have accommodations for, production large enough so that you can afford to give proper attention to its preparation and sale, work reduced to the lowest possible point, losses eliminated, the many disagreeable and disgusting duties of waiting on broody hens avoided—all these and more!

My notion, in short, is that if you can't afford an incubator you just can't afford to keep fowls at all. JAY.

In they drop with a click, clack, click,
Kernels so hard and yellow;
Round they whirl with a hop, skip, hop,
Each little dancing fellow.
Up they leap with a snap! crack! snap!
Tossing so light and airy;
Out they pour with a soft, swift rush,
Snowballs fit for a fairy!

TRAVELLING FROM DISEASE TO HEALTH



THIS PHOTOGRAPH Represents the Average Number of Patients Passing Under the Care of Drs. Munro, McPhail and Fuller, Daily.

Many belong to the City, while many come from the many hamlets and towns throughout the West and East, some come from near, while some come from far, as for instance, Mr. Scully came from Renfrew County (near Montreal, 1,500 miles distant), Mrs. Wakefield came from Minnesota, Mrs. Allis came from North Dakota, Mrs. Sleeman came from Southern British Columbia, while Mrs. Johnson came from one of the forts of the far north.

The Ailments of these patients vary greatly, the most common ailments being Indigestion, Constipation, Gall Stones, Heart and Kidney Weaknesses, Bladder, Womb, and Ovarian Troubles, Headaches, Neuralgias, Sore Backs, Spinal Curvatures, Etc. A few are unable to walk, two are unable to speak, several are afflicted with deafness, some are weak-minded, many are subject to Nervousness, others having had St. Vitus Dance, and others Epilepsy.

Are They Improving?

Suppose we let them answer. Here is what a few of them say:

MRS. JOSHUA ELLIOTT, 476 Spence St., Winnipeg, Man., says: "For the benefit of those who suffer from physical ailments, I here give my opinion of Chiropractic Adjustments as given by Dr. H. J. Munro, 31 Steele Block, Winnipeg. It has been my privilege to watch a number of cases pronounced incurable by other methods of healing, and some have been entirely cured, others are far on the high road to complete recovery. I have also taken these Adjustments, and have received more benefit from them than anything else I have ever tried. From a scientific viewpoint, I consider this the best and most logical method of treating disease."

MRS. SCORREY, 286 Alfred Ave., Winnipeg, Man., says: "I have the pleasure of passing my opinion of Chiropractic. I must say it is wonderful work, and I am very thankful I took this treatment, for it saved me having an operation, and should I hear of someone sick, I will gladly recommend Chiropractic to them."

MISS M. BUCHANAN, 473 St. Mary's Ave., Winnipeg, Man., says: "I must say that my opinion of Chiropractic is very high. This opinion is based on the fact that for 12 years I was unable to get relief from St. Vitus' Dance until I tried Chiropractic, through which I have been practically cured."

MRS. S. GOODERHAM, 844 Bannatyne Ave., Winnipeg, says: "I suffered for over 40 years and doctored with the best doctors in Ireland, Eastern Canada and Winnipeg, and got no relief. The best year of my life, as far as health is concerned, has been since I got to know of Chiropractic."

MRS. A. MUIR, 384 Pritchard Ave., Winnipeg, says: "I cannot tell you how I have improved since I took your Chiropractic treatment: for I have suffered for 14 years with Womb and Stomach troubles and I was never free of headache. I can do my own house work now, which I could not do for years. I do hope others will find the same benefit from this wonderful Chiropractic method."

MRS. F. WELSH, Baldur, Man., says: "I can certainly recommend Chiropractic treatment for Nervous Prostration as I was in bed for over two months and had almost lost the use of my limbs, but after five weeks' treatment I was able to do all my own housework and have continued to do so ever since."

MRS. H. HICKS, 724 Simcoe St., Winnipeg, Man., says: "I have been a great sufferer from Rheumatism, but I am thankful to say, I have greatly benefited by Chiropractic Adjustments. I would gladly recommend it to all sufferers of this disease."

Concerning Ourselves

Dr. Munro, graduate of Universal Chiropractic College of Davenport, Iowa.

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If the state of your health is causing you uneasiness—no matter what the trouble may be—write us and we will communicate with you immediately.

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