

average round-up of expense. But the cash that is derived from the sales is just so much the more like clear gain.

Old-fashioned farmers are often amazed when they read in their agricultural papers of the enormous profits made by progressive poultry keepers, and are often inclined to discredit what they read in this connection. The fact is, there is money in poultry, and just as much for you as for any one else, but in order to succeed you must go about it intelligently, and learn something about how to manage large flocks. With this knowledge to aid you, there is no way on a farm in which you can make money so easily, or so quickly.

Women are generally successful in poultry raising. They are naturally adapted for the care of fowls, because they usually are on time with their work, will not shrink from such duties and put off things until another day; there is sympathetic kindness in their nature; they are handy, tender and interested in pets. No man can make nests, set hens and care for the young brood equal to a woman. Although fancy fowl breeding has forced men to put on the harness and do some work in the poultry yard, still much of the work is done by women, and they seldom get the praise when the men are spinning off long yarns in the papers about their feeding, care, attention and labor. The men do the crowing and cackling and their wives do the greater part of the work.

QUERY * DEPARTMENT.

STIMULATING FOR EGGS.

T. S. SMITH.—Will it be profitable to put a flock of hens in a run by themselves and feed them one of the many egg foods during winter. The birds have laid well all summer; they are of mixed breed and I don't intend using them for breeding. Will the flesh be good after running them for all they are worth for eggs in this manner?

We should say yes, certainly it will pay well to have a pen of hens and force them for laying. Some egg foods are good, and others again are worse than useless. Our favorite egg food is meat. For the layers cook it, and use the liquor it is boiled in to mix the soft feed with and let bran form a good part of the material for soft feed. If you can get chopped oats, they are fine to add to the soft feed for layers and sunflower seeds are very good too, also the beans spoken of by Mr. Lawton last week. The flesh will be good enough but there

will not be "too much of a sufficiency" of it, if you succeed in getting lots of eggs from them.

CIRCULARS RECEIVED.

Illustrated circular of fine poultry from John H. Warner, Niskoyuna, Schenectady Co., N. Y. Cochins, Brahmas, S. Sebright Bants.

Illustrated circular from J. B. Bowker, Beryl Hill Farm, 187 Front St., Worcester, Mass. Registered Guernsey cattle and Plymouth Rock fowl.

CONVENTION NOTICES.

The next meeting of the Kempenfeldt Association will be held on Thursday Sept. 5th. The meeting will be very interesting and all members should make an effort and be present. The Secretary will notify the members of place of meeting. This will be the only meeting before exhibition time and new business demands attention.

Use the labels "Live fowls, with care" on all birds sent by rail. 25c. per 100 from this office. Shipping tags 40c. per 100.

COMING SHOWS.

Industrial Exhibition at Toronto, Sept. 9 to 21. H. J. Hill, Secretary.

Central at Ottawa, Sept. 9 to 14. C. R. W. MacCuaig, Secretary, Ottawa.

Great Central Fair at Hamilton, Sept. 23 to 27. C. R. Smith, Secretary, Hamilton.

Great Northern Exhibition at Collingwood, Sept. 25 to 27. T. J. Crawford, Secretary, Collingwood.

West Simcoe, at Stayner, October 1, 2 and 3.

Dunnville, Dec. 3, 4, and 5. R. H. Marshall Sec'y.

OHIO.

Central Ohio, at Mt. Gilead, Ohio, January 7th to 11, 1890. J. Y. Bickdell, Judge, W. F. Bruce, Secretary.

Cleveland, January 14th to 19th, 1890. C. C. Schellentrager, Sec., Glenville.

Fayette Association, at Washington C. H., January 14th to 16th, 1890. J. B. Collier, Sec. Union, at Cardington, Dec. 17 to 21, 1889. G. S. Singer, Secretary.

NEW YORK.

International, Buffalo, N. Y., December 11th to 18th, 1889. H. M. Fales, Sec., La Salle, N. Y.