

## POULTRY YARD

## A Simple Egg Record

J. T. Wilson, Lambton Co., Ont.  
By means of a simple record sheet I am able to tell exactly what our hens are producing daily, and therefore what I am making out of them. My sheet is arranged as follows:

## RECORD SHEET.

Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May
1	2.5			
2	2.5			
3	1.9			
4				
5				
6				

A space may be left on the sheet to record the price of eggs and feed used at the end of each week if desired. At the end of the month I total up the columns, and deduct value of feed. By this simple method I am able to tell exactly what those "old hiddies" are doing for me.

Of course it is much better if the hens were trap-nested, and given credit individually, but the average farmer has not time, so he must procure his eggs for hatching, to get a good strain, from some reputable breeder.

## Poultry Pointers

The farm is the best place to raise poultry. Many farmers do not seem to think so.

The poorer the poultry man the more he will be talking about "on and off seasons."

Have your poultry scaly legs? Dip to the hock joint in carbolic oil and rub with vasoline.

Cleanliness is health in all life, and health makes wealth. Apply this to the poultry yard.

Success with poultry is in any

other line of business is only achieved by going after it good and hard. Curdled milk is a poultry feed of poor excellence. Keep it in front of the birds all the time; but be sure it is in clean vessels.

You have been told that carelessness and neglect will leave their mark on the poultry flock. So will intelligent care and management.

When putting the poultry in winter quarters try another dose of insect powder externally applied, particularly around the head and wings.

Only birds with an alert quick movement should ever be used in the breeding pens. Cull closely if you would maintain birds with this health and vigor.

Muscle and bone forming feed is essential in the early life of the chick, but when fattening for market corn is to be preferred. Cooked potatoes are also valuable for fattening purposes.

The feed, the breed, and the attention are the three factors that make for success with poultry. The third factor is the most important of the bunch.

A change from close quarters to free range is the best cure for feather eating.

## Dairy Cattle at Guelph

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and Jos. Kilgour, Eglinton. Mr. McDowell, who this year made his second attempt in the dairy test with four cows, was the most successful exhibitor, he being well up in the money with three of them and right on top in two classes. A noteworthy record was that made by Netherland Beauty Poeh, owned by W. H. Cherry, of 7,293 lbs. of butter fat in the three days of the test. The highest production in the same class last year was 6,966 lbs. This is the only one of the Holsteins classes in which the record was raised this year.

There were only four breeders represented in the Ayrshire classes, none of the Quebec men being along. Mr. N. Dymont, of Hamilton, who

for the past 16 years has been an almost constant competitor in the dairy test, won first place in the three classes. Last year's Ayrshire champion, Snowdrop of Hickory Hill, was a again first in the aged class with a production of 8,86 lbs. of butter fat as compared with 8,086 lbs. of butter fat made by the same cow last year. In the three-year-old class, however, Violet of Hillview, made a decidedly better record than was made by the first prize cow last year, with 6,345 lbs. of butter as against 4,917 lbs. in 1911. The other Ayrshire exhibitors were also all well known figures at former dairy tests: A. S. Turner & Sons, Ryckman's Corners; Jno. McKee, Norwich, and Wm. Thorn, Lynedoch. W. H. Green, Dundas, had an entry.

A point that attracted attention was the similarity of type that characterized all classes of cattle, pure bred and grades. The winners were all animals of great heart girth, deep middles and large silky udders. The animals were there because they had made good at the pail, and their type was a valuable study for the practical dairyman who wants to pick milkers. A few were shown that would look well in the best company. All were strong looking cows. Mr. Lymont in mentioning this point, said: "For every buyer who asks about show yard records there are a hundred who ask for producing ancestors behind the stock they buy." The dairyman who exhibited at Guelph last week was endeavouring successfully to meet this demand, and they are not forgetting confirmation either. All that is needed to make this test of even greater value than it is now is more room, better accommodation for the exhibitors themselves, and less of other interests to distract the visitors' attention. They have disappeared of getting this at Guelph. Their eyes are now turned toward a Provincial Dairy Show, where dairy interests will have full sway.

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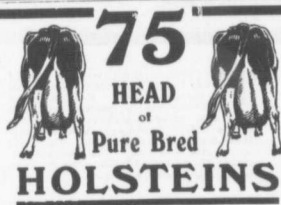
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