

**JAPANESE BANTAMS.**—(*Querist.*)—They must have single combs and clean legs. The combs are very large. The legs are yellow, but they are so short, and the wings are carried so low, that they are not seen. Till lately there was but one breed: that had dark feathers in the tail and wing, and sometimes an odd spot or two about the body. There are now some of these birds recently introduced into England, which are quite white.

**POINTS IN HOUDANS.**—(*Fancier.*)—Houdans should have square bodies, top-knotted heads, ample beards, full breasts, short legs, five toes on each foot, black and white legs. The hens should be black and white, without any other color; the cocks may be permitted to have a few straw-colored feathers in the hackle and saddle, but no red ones.

**SCURFY LEGS IN POULTRY.**—(*T. S.*)—We have seen several cures mentioned for this disease: one is, to wash the legs clean with a weak solution of sugar of lead in the morning, and anoint them with clean lard mixed with ointment of creosote just before they go to roost; another is to wash the legs with kerosene oil, and anoint with salt grease; and a third, to rub the scurfy parts with red precipitate ointment: either of which may prove effectual, but we incline to the latter.

**WATER FREEZING IN DRINKING FOUNTAINS.**—(*H. J. A., Mich.*)—We know of no means of preventing water from freezing in fowls' drinking fountains; nor do we think it possible to devise one, so long as water is water, and frost frost. Various means have been tried, however, to prevent the ice attaching itself firmly to the sides of the vessel holding the water; and the following is one we have used with tolerable success for several years past:—Rub well the sides of the vessel with soft grease before putting in the water: this partially, but not wholly, prevents the ice taking a firm hold of the sides; and when the vessel is uncovered and turned bottom upwards, a little tap causes the ice to fall out. In the winter season water fountains ought to be filled twice a day, morning and evening, and invariably emptied after the fowls go to roost.

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