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Protection Against Skunks

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enemies of the poultry men in this
section, and unless the poultry house
is well constructed against their entrance they are always a great cause

The diagram herewith will give an idea of the style of protection that I and some of my neighbors have adopted in combating these vermin. The floor is of cement, two or three inches



thick, lying on the top of gravel.
Under the wall the cement extends
down to a depth of 18 inches to two
feet. This prevents skunks or weasels from burrowing under and getting in-to the poultry house at night.

Bad Advice for Beginners

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Editor, Farm and Dairy.—One of
the great lessons that beginners in
poultry keeping need to learn it
is absolute to be a second to learn it
is absolute and learn something
about the business before a large
plant is put up. Around Toronto I
know of many poultry farmers who
made the big mistake of starting out
large and they lost hundreds of dolare before they finally found out in
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starting is largely due to the advice
handed out so freely by the editors of
would not know a hen from a goose.
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"It is marging is no little followed in the environment of the tentously and influently managed, a solutional and influently managed, a long a handsome profit on the capital invested. The work is light, the occupation is attractive, the returns are sure, the investment is short. The life of the hen should not be allowed to outrun two years; it may be that it would be found most profitable to cut it down to one year. The tendency with live stock farmers is to cut it down to one year. The tendency with live stock farmers is to ten advantageous conditions of pair try farming is that very intended the stock of the s

Now a person thoroughly believing in the politics of that paper and knowing nothing about poultry keep-ing would be liable to take that paraing would be liable to take that para-graph for gospel truth when, as a matter of fact. it is miles from the truth in the picture it paints of easy profits from poultry. Such results are possible only to the experienced poultryman.

poultryman.

Another mistake that some of us have made, and this includes myself, is that after having had great success with a flock of 15 or 20 birds and making profits of 82 a bird, we her birds we would make with the world with the birds we would make counting the butter of looking after the small flock which receives many attentions or the which receives many attentions or the table scraps they get from the house. This is, I believe, the reason why many of my friends who have embarked in poultry keeping on an extensive scale have been disappointed in the



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results. We must start small, learnresults. We must start small, learning the business as we go, figure on moderate profits and then, if profits are large, we will be agreeably surprised.—J. W. Smith. York Co., Ont.

The Dust Bath

In every poultry-house there should be a dust-bath, where the hens may get rid of lice. Poultry-lice breathe through pores in their sides, and fine pe a dust-bath, where the hens may get rid of lice. Poultry-lice breather through pores in their sides, and fine dust fills these pores and sufficates the vermin. Road-dust, hard-coal ashes, or dry dirt of any kind, will accomplish the purpose. Wood ashes, if damp, may stain the fostbern the summary of th

which induces exercise. The bens will not use the bath reely unless the air is warm, for the variety to the control of the box may be put on the window-sill, and the other supported on less, with a canopy of denim or duck, open on one side and toward the window. This will confine the heat, and make the temperature of the house. The canopy should slant down from the canopy should slant down from the upper part of the window. The canopy should slant down from the canopy should be controlled to the health and happiness of the health and happiness of the health and happiness of the hort. The hent that is comfortable is the one that makes money for her owner.

To Prevent Egg Eating How can I prevent hens from eath their eggs?—J. A. S., Northumberland Co

Ont. Hens that are properly fed will seldom acquire the habit of esting their own eggs. When plenty of gir and lime is supplied in addition to liberal grain rations, the only method by which the hens will learn to eggs is by finding one broken in the nest or elsewhere. Where the nest nest or elsewhere. Where the hest are dark, the habit is seldom acqui-ed. The best methods, therefore, fo stopping the eating of eggs are pro-

stopping the eating of eggs are preventative one.

Where the habit has become we established in the flock, two or threeges might be blown and the slab filled with a mixture of Cayenne per and mustard. One dose of his generally enough for the hardiest egg eaters.

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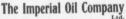
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