

the wool, in which dissolve the annatto and soap; rinse the wool in warm water, put it into the annatto mixture, and boil it about half an hour. The shade may be made lighter or deeper according to the quantity of annatto used.

YELLOW.—One pound of wool or cloth, three quarters of a pound of fustic, quarter pound of alum—put all into an earthen vessel and pour sufficient hot water to cover the wool and keep it warm all night; give half an hour's boil in a brass kettle and then rinse in cold water. A much deeper and richer yellow may be made by using turmeric powder instead of fustic, and proceeding in the same manner.

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LICE IN FOWLS.—There is such a number of recipes for killing lice on hens that it is difficult to determine which is best. We use only one thing and that is sulphur, and in the following manner: Whenever a hen takes a nest for sitting, fresh clean hay is put under the eggs, and a tablespoonful of sulphur scattered over it. This will sift in among the hay, and the warmth of the hen will be just sufficient to cause slight fumes to arise and kill all the vermin which may be on the hen or in the nest. We have practiced this plan for the past twelve years, and neither a lousy chicken or mother has ever been seen in our yard during the time named. This is our preventive for lice on young chickens. Every spring we have our poultry house and roosts thoroughly cleaned and whitewashed inside, and then scatter flour of sulphur in every crack and corner and liberally over the floor. Do this and repeat it in the autumn, and we will venture to say that you will have no vermin on your fowls. To kill the lice on the old fowls immediately, mix a little sulphur in lard, grease their heads with it and put a little under each wing. Sulphur is death to all kinds of lice and not at all injurious to higher animals. If scattered plentifully about barns and other outbuildings, it will destroy many kinds of vermin besides hen lice. We have no "pip" among our chickens since we commenced the sulphur treatment.—*Rural New Yorker.*

A SIMPLE DEVICE.—In England, where every house-yard gate is fastened with a common latch, dropping into the common figure 4 hasp, it has been the custom of hawkers, beggars, and other species of the genus cadger to lift the latch, walk into the kitchen, and have all the game to themselves. A writer in the *Gardeners' Magazine* says he interfered with the process of cadgers through the gate. A second figure 4 hasp is driven in above the original, with the face downwards, and so far distant that there is just room, and no more than room, for the latter to slide out between them. The latch goes up and down furiously, the gate is kicked and thrust, but never opened, for not one of the cunning rogues has cunning enough to lift the latch very gently, so as to slide it out from beneath the hasps that catch it either way if it travels a hair's breadth too far.

Decision and promptitude, even though sometimes a man may err for want of due deliberation, will, in the long run, more often conduce to success than a slow judgment that comes too late.