

POULTRY YARD

The Next Year's Flock

Though it was decided last spring what breed of hens was going to be kept for next year's laying the time will soon be here to decide again what birds will represent that breed. This latter decision is of much more importance than the matter settled in the spring.

In selecting the breed, what was wanted was one that we liked, one that would give eggs the year round, one that laid most in summer and one that gave eggs and meat, etc. The color that suited our fancy, the one that didn't cower too much or too early in the morning, the one that was easiest to keep out of the garden, or the one that was best able to forage. Taking some or all of these questions into consideration most people decided to keep the same breed they had last year, which is probably the best thing to be done. A change of breed may be an improvement sometimes, but usually the man who neglects his flock blames the breed and gets another breed that proves no better. One who is always changing cannot get the best out of any breed. Decide what breed is best for your conditions and then make the flock you keep the very best of the breed.

The breed then is of less importance than the individuals. In selecting the individuals that are to compose the flock there are a few specimens that are not wanted.—Old birds are not profitable. Don't keep an old hen simply because she has some peculiarity you like. Sentiment is all right in its place but in the poultry yard it doesn't always pay. The second season as a rule is long enough for the best hen to live.

Don't have immature pullets in the flock. Have them well developed before cold weather comes. Have no cripples or deformed birds; none that are or have been sick.

If you want to breed true to the breed cull out all that are off in color and shape. Cull out the lazy birds, have no loafers. Like begets like.

Have no male that is not vigorous and full of life. The one that is never heard crow had better be eaten. Give the crower the preference. Have the flock made up of individuals that are good representation of the breed, a fair size rather than over or under. Have them well matured and from a good healthy parent stock of good laying stock.

Organization of Local Poultry Association

The local Poultry Associations which have received a grant during the past year, shall be recognized as such by the Minister of Agriculture, and shall each receive an annual grant of fifty dollars (\$50.00) if complying with the regulations appended; if these regulations have not been fully complied with by any association, a lesser grant may be made to that association; the amount to be decided by the Minister of Agriculture. In addition a local Poultry Association may be organized under these regulations in any electoral district in the province where an association is not at the time recognized by the Minister of Agriculture, and shall receive under the following regulations, an annual grant of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), but where there is more than one electoral district in a county, the annual grant shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) during such time as there is only one recognized local Poultry Association in the county. Where an association fails to comply with the regulations during any calendar year, a new association may be formed to represent that district.

1. Application for recognition must

be made through the Director of the Live Stock Branch of the Minister of Agriculture. With the application must be sent a copy of the Constitution of the Association, the minutes of the organization meeting and the list of officers and directors.

2. Each Association must hold a Poultry Show between October and February inclusive, for which it is financially responsible.

3. The Poultry Show must consist of at least 300 hens of all breeds and the prizes offered, \$200, exclusive of pigeons and pet stock.

4. Proper accommodation, to in-

clude cooping, must be supplied for holding the show; also accommodation for lectures, in or convenient to the exhibition room.

5. A lecturer will be supplied by the Department of Agriculture, to speak on practical subjects and the local Association must use every reasonable means to properly advertise and interest the public in these lectures, which must consist of at least two sessions.

6. There must be sent to the Director of the Live Stock Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture, application for a lecturer at least two months

prior to the date of holding the show, and there must also be submitted at the same time a copy of the proposed classification for the exhibition. Within one month after holding the show, there shall be forwarded to him, a full report showing all receipts, expenditures, number of entries in each class, names of judges, and a general report of the exhibition and meetings.

A. P. Westervelt, Director.

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