

and long experience, and was a man of energy and character, of persistence, and prompt, correct judgment. It is no work for the blundering, careless, timid man. The better the stock the better the owner must be, or both will come to grief.

It would be worse than useless for the ordinary man to pay \$100 or more for prize birds. He could not care for them to make them do their best; could not mate them to produce the right results, and could not sell their produce at paying prices. He might not even have the skill and nerve and money to exhibit such stock as its merits demand. Yet in the hands of the man who knows what to do with it, the highest-priced birds might be one of the best possible investments. What is \$100 for a cocker or more of the chicks for \$25 to \$50 each, and get \$3 to \$10 per sitting for eggs? Anybody who has tried to make the most of pure breeds soon discovers that the higher the quality and price the more skill is required to reach the right class of buyers, and a great many points must be considered all along the line that are of slight importance in plain poultry and egg farming. So special are the requirements of a successful handler of fancy poultry that some fanciers have given up the producing end of the business. They employ neighbors or acquaintances to raise the birds, and themselves do nothing but mate the flocks and attend to the exhibitions, the buying and selling, the advertising and the correspondence. The objections to dividing the business in this way are evident, but it is better in the long run than to try to raise a lot of stock in crowded quarters.

To have things just right the specialist in pure breeds should have a fair-sized farm with not many near neighbors, should confine himself to one breed, and keep well-paid helpers who have been trained to show skill and interest in the work. On such a farm there is room for wide range; no bother with mixing breeds, and plenty of opportunity for the owner to advance as fast and as far as his brains and ambition permit. The owner has the whole affair under his control, and is yet able to safely place on others a great many of the details.

Some persons have made money by keeping a large number of breeds at once, but their success is generally shallow. To

really master one breed is enough for one man, and will bring him all the business he can attend to. One man, one breed, one farm, is a good rule.

The Canadian White Wyandotte Club

This club is in a very prosperous condition, the membership having increased rapidly. At present we have nearly 200 members. Amongst them the most prominent White Wyandotte breeders in Canada.

Our egg distribution (being a setting of White Wyandotte eggs to all new members joining the club during the spring months) was a decided success. I might say that I believe through this means we have shown the poultry breeders that we are a live club and that we are pushing the most popular and useful breed of fowls that are in existence.

The club intend issuing a catalogue this fall and would particularly like to have every breeder of White Wyandottes become a member of the club and have their names inserted in the catalogue.

The club will offer the following specials at the coming fairs and exhibitions:

Toronto National Exhibition—Cocks, \$1.00 each for 1, 2, 3 and 4; hens, \$1.00 each for 1, 2, 3 and 4; cockerels, \$1.00 each for 1, 2, 3 and 4; pullets, \$1.00 each for 1, 2, 3 and 4.

The L. H. Baldwin Challenge Cup for best cocks, hens, cockerels and pullets, to be won three times; won in 1906 by John S. Martin.

The Martin Challenge Cup, donated by N. S. Martin, Port Dover, for the best cockerel and pullet, shown by a member of the club who has never won a first or second prize at this show (previous to 1907), cup to be won three times before becoming property of the winner. The Western Fair, London, Ont.—Cocks, 1st, \$1.00; 2nd and 3rd, silk badge; hens, 1st, \$1.00; 2nd and 3rd, silk badge; cockerels, 1st, \$1.00; 2nd and 3rd, silk badge; pullets, 1st, \$1.00; 2nd and 3rd, silk badge.

Sherbrooke Exhibition—Silk badge for best cock, hen, cockerel and pullet.

Winnipeg Exhibition—Silk badge for best cock, hen, cockerel and pullet.

The above specials are open for competition amongst the members of the club.

J. F. Daly.

Seaforth, Ont.

Loss of Feathers

When fowls lose their feathers, the cause may be feather-pulling, in which one bird pulls feathers from another and swallows them. Too much oily food will also cause the feathers to come out. Loss of feathers is also caused by parasites, which attack especially the feathers, destroying the web, while the quill remains. The feather mites, which do great damage, are very small, requiring the aid of a microscope to observe them. Skin disease, such as eruption from chicken pox, white comb, or from impurity of the blood, will often cause the feathers to fall from the head and neck. The cheapest and best remedy against parasites is the dust bath. Feather pulling by fowls is usually the result of close confinement and lack of exercise.

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