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WHEN birds are closely confined after a season of outside rambing, they miss more than we can tell, the many etceteras that they could procure and one of the worst to miss, is the gravel. So get in your supply now, and mix among the gravel broken crockery. A box can be made to fit neatly to the wall, so that the contents will not be made dirty. Gravel will largely supply the place of oyster shell so often recommended. Add to the birds' rations a piece of liver now and then, or broken fresh bones to pick, and give clean water in clean utensils, turnips or beets cut in two so that they do not miss all at once the food they have been getting all summer, when at liberty.

MOULTING.

WHE season of moult is here, in fact has been here some time. Just examine the birds' new quills and see how full of blood they are, you will then have a faint idea of the need of good rich food. While the birds are moulting they will not get fat, but the food will nourish them, enrich their blood, make them moult easily, and come through in fine condition. Give them all the range possible, all the milk you can spare, and give at least once a day a feed of good wheat and twice a week hemp seed if you can. Then as soon as moult is over gradually lessen the diet, and eggs will soon come.

Barrle Exhibition.

THE date of the above show is fixed for the 24th to the 27th of Sept. The management are making extra efforts to ensure the greatest possible enjoyment to visitors. We anticipate a pleasant time for all. The Kempenfeldt P. & P. S. Association have offered a silver cup for the first prize sweepstakes breeding pen of old birds, games and all bantams barred, as this is to encourage interest in more useful varieties. Also silver medal for first prize sweepstakes breeding pen of young birds under same conditions. Mr. W. C. G. Peter has offered a silver medal for the best collection of pigeons and our pigeon boys are "hustling." It is probable we shall see some close work for these special prizes.

GEO. H. CARLEY.

What is the Best Book for a Beginner to Study.

WE can hardly tell you. Much depends upon the kind of information required. If you desire to be informed as to the plumage etc., get a "Standard," but if you want to learn a good deal of everything, get Felc's Poultry Culture." In this book there is much valuable information, and one of its great merits, is that you do not have to wade through a lot of padding to catch the grain of information sought. It tells you how to feed your birds and how to house them; gives plain instructions for mating and breeding the Standard varieties of fowl, and many valuable chapters and hints on judging them. How to build your poultry house &c., All the terms used, as well as the reading matter all through, are plainly and tersely given. No words are