

POULTRY YARD

"Do Unto Others"

E. F. Eaton, Colchester Co., N. S.

We farmers are pretty well "sot" in the idea that we are the most honest people on earth. I believe myself that we are a class that are somewhat above the average on honesty, but I recognize that we have our weaknesses as well as others. Here is one of them.

I went over to see a neighbor a couple of evenings ago. I found him all "up in the air," about a pair of shoes that he had bought by mail order that did not come up to his expectations. He called the proprietor of that mail order house everything but a gentleman and when he had cooled down admitted that his loss was only a few cents. Still, he didn't think that men who would do such things should be allowed out of jail.

The very next thing that he mentioned to me was that he had just found a stolen nest with 15 eggs in it.

"What are you going to do with them?" I asked.

"Do with them! Why sell them of course. What else would I do with them?"

That man would have laughed me scorn had I suggested to him that the marketing of those eggs, which he knew were not fresh or good, was as dishonest as the misrepresentation of a pair of shoes. But isn't it? Isn't it a greater offence to sell under a false pretence goods that are intended for human food?

Is long as we persist in such petty dishonesties, can we blame town people for smiling when the honest farmer is mentioned? Can we properly respect ourselves when we do such things? One thing I am sure of, we will never get the price that we get with guaranteed eggs until we do unto others as we would have them do unto us."

Bad Luck

By F. C. Brown.

Bad Luck has a lot to answer for; it is the cause of so many failures in poultry-keeping.

A hatch fails—because the board that was put in front of the nest to take the hen feed was not taken away again. Bad luck! The hen rejected the eggs—because she was annoyed by vermin. Bad luck! Chickens were lost—drowned in a deep slattery. Bad luck! Chickens drowned again—by water getting under the coop. Bad luck! The hatch failed in the incubator—the lamp was not kindled at the right time. Bad luck! Another hatch failed—the wick was not renewed. Bad luck! A poor hen—the eggs when taken out to feed were forgotten. Bad luck!

A second poor hatch—something had been thrown on the regulator. Bad luck! Infertile eggs—the brooder had been neglected. Bad luck! A spoiled hatch—thermometer broken, and a spare one not on hand. Bad luck! Chickens died from bowel trouble. Bad luck! More chicks died from ran out, and had to feed something else. Bad luck! Still more died from that of the brooder, and had to let them in again. Bad luck! The best of the lot went to the rats. Bad luck!

No eggs—forgot to feed the fowls. Bad luck! Still no eggs—fowls roosted in trees. Bad luck! Again no eggs—raining for days, and no dry standing place. Bad luck! Pullets hatched—hatched too early. Bad luck! Some hatched at the right time and the molting—had to change their quarters. Bad luck! Disease

breaks out—had too much stock, and overcrowded the houses. Bad luck! Lost money—thought anybody could run poultry. Bad luck! And so it goes from year to year. It is the bad luck that is the cause of all the failures.

There are some people, however, who start on a sound financial footing, understand something of poultry-keeping, consistently endeavor to improve their methods, and conduct the business in a careful and methodical manner. Somehow they never have bad luck. Certainly they occasionally, like human beings in general, make mistakes, but these seldom are of any moment. They succeed in the things that really matter, and thereby make poultry-keeping the profitable work it is to those who thoroughly understand it, and treat it as a serious proposition to be mastered and conducted on the same strict business principles as any other commercial undertaking.

The Roost Mite

Roost mites are very common and troublesome. When they become numerous enough they not only infest the nests but other parts of the building, especially cracks and crevices, as well as the roosts. They are much like tiny spiders and are often called spider lice by poultrymen.

Mites are easily exterminated by applying kerosene to all infested parts of the building. They become numerous as soon as warm weather comes. As prevention is better than cure, it pays to paint your roosts once every four or six weeks in winter time and once every two weeks during the warm weather. You will probably never see a mite in a house so treated.

A Chatty Letter from B.C.

Arthur A. Brooke, Carleton, B.C.

We like Farm and Dairy very much and although it appears to apply its teachings mostly to Eastern Canada and its ideas are mostly Eastern, we also find it of much assistance to us out here in the new wooded valleys of British Columbia.

Farm and Dairy has been instrumental in causing me to change my breed of cattle. I am selling my grade milch cows (and most of them are good ones, shorthorns) to pay for a small herd of pure bred Holstein cows of the Pontiac Kordyke strain. I purchased these from James Miller, a neighbor who gave up stock raising.

I invested in six head—Posch Netherland Beauty, seven years old; Grave Netherland Beauty, coming four; Alice Buttergirl, two; Hilda Buttergirl, 15 months; a heifer and a bull calf not yet registered. Posch, the oldest, bled and died this spring, due to eating young, wet clover. She was giving six gallons daily in two milkings. I learned some things from this cow's death, but it was dear experience. We felt very badly over losing Posch as we had gotten very fond of her.

These animals are the first Holstein cattle I have ever had anything to do with. I have always handled Shorthorns, but from what I have seen of Holsteins I believe they will suit me well. They are fine milkers, quiet, kind and handsome.

I am giving up the raising of beef cattle as our land is too valuable, and feed too high. Baled hay is now \$18 a ton on the car. We lack range here; there is plenty of it in other parts of British Columbia, but our land is essentially adapted to dairy farming, and therefore dairy cattle must have.

Crops this year are wonderfully good. In fact, it is seldom that they are anything else in the Salmon river valley.

We are trying to improve, progress and be up-to-date, but owing to clearing it is rather uphill work.

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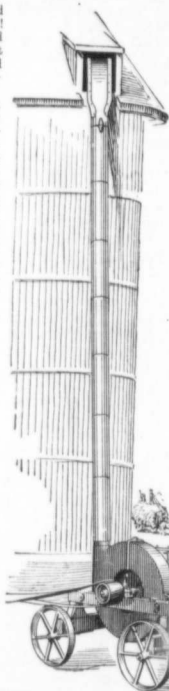
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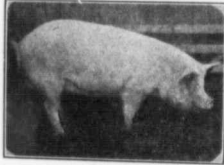
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Farm and Dairy
Peterboro

Received my pig O.K. It is a dandy, and I am much pleased with it, and it is much larger than I expected.

Thanking you very much for it, I remain as ever,
W. O. LEST

P.S. Will send photo of it later on.



A Premium Pig

This is a picture of the type of pig that Farm and Dairy are giving away. It is a Yorkshire, splendid for home and for which there is always a good market.

July 17, 1913

Farm and Dairy
Peterboro

I received my pig and I am very pleased with it. I do not see how you can give so good a premium for so small an amount of work. I am indeed pleased with it and think she is a dandy. What price do you charge for a male of the same breed. Please let me know and oblige.
Yours etc.
ROBT. NEEHDAM

Notice the interest displayed by the boys whose letters appear above! Will they be likely to leave the Farm? Are they more interested in the City than the Country?

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