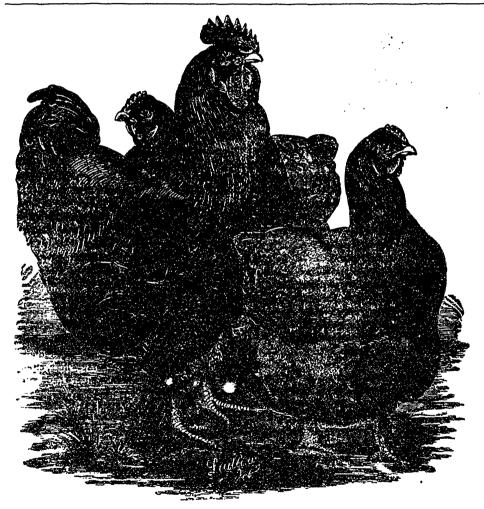
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inclined to sit, and better layers than any of the chicks show more or less white under throat and Cochin, if not Asiatic family, of which, as a breed, body, but become black, and remain so."

We are indebted to Mr. W. H. Todd, of Vermil- with their rich, glossy, black plumage, presents a lion, Ohio, for the use of the above excellent repre- handsome sight. Being good rangers, they make sentation of a trio of exhibition birds. He writes a splendid fowl for the farm or town. I have a of this variety :- "Black Cochins are special favo- strain that breeds well, and my birds have seldom rites with me; they are so extremely hardy, less failed to win when exhibited. When first hatched,

they are the smallest. A flock on a grassy range, During the past few years Black Cochins have