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away from a halter or other part of a harness, there will be trouble perhaps for all time.

The boys may want the farm horses to get-up-and-get when they are on the road. Hold them steady now. For all-round farm work, it is hardly wise to think exclusively of speed. There is a lot of work to be done on the farm in which speed is not the highest virtue.

Keep an empty salt sack in the stable, ruh the driving horse with it every day, and see how his coat will glisten.

When driving a horse, make that your business. More horses are spoil-ed by slack drivers than in any other way.

Bristles.

The better you care for your porkers the better they will pay; but-don't stuff your pigs till they are pot-bellied. Many farmers use a great deal of water and make the swill too thin for

stock hogs. Feed, to be satisfactory to hogs and make them contented, should possess reasonable bulk, and the digestive tract should be pretty well filled.

There is nothing better for the di-gestion and to furnish the desired bulk, than properly cured clover hay. The hay should be cut and mixed with the desired amount of meal and moistened with hot or cold water; pre-

forably hot water. Hogs fed in this way will thrive much better than when fed a greater amount of grain mixed in a thin slop. Hogs will greedily eat a bright lock of clover if given them occasionally.

Fresh, clean water should be given to the hogs every day to drink; also a good allowance of roots should be given them daily.

Every fine day give the brood sows xercise in the open air. Scatter a little shelled corn on the ground to en-

courage them to move around. Give the brood sows warm, dry sleeping quarters. Be sure that there are no drafts in the pens. Hogs are subject to pneumonia if exposed to cold and drafts.

Look out for drafts of icy wind under the floors.

Do not attempt to keep a number of brood sows in the same pen. As they grow heavy, separate them. Crowding

may cause abortion. If you are troubled with lice on the hogs, use kerosene emulsion. Spray the hogs and spray the pen.

In order to make a success of hog raising, every animal must be atten-tively watched, and every small detail of the business carefully attended to.

Poultry Yard.

Regularity in the performance of the work is important. System simplifies the work and brings order out of chaos.

better sort them out and get hens with nice bright combs. It is the singing hen that does a good day's work. Same way with men folks.

The beef trust is leading us to trust more and more in hens.

Change the diet of the hens often. None of us likes to live all the time on pudding and milk, good as they are.

About the surest way to fail is to crowd too many hens into one pen. It never paid; it never will.

Kind of hard work to wash eggs, but they look so much better when you offer them for sale, that I always

like to do it. Keep the doors closed at night. This is the time of the year when enemies of the biddles prowl around. Use some animal food every day, but have it good.

Have the feed boxes high enough from the floor so that you can sweep under them. Sure to be a lot of litter there.

Hens do not like to pick their shells out of a box half full of straw and cobs. Keep the shells clean by putting the box up where the litter will not get into it.

Expect to learn something about the chickens every day.

Because hens like to roost in the tops of trees don't conclude that the colder the weather the better they will like it in an open hen house. Hens can catch cold the same as men folks. Ever see a hen sneeze? They sneeze because they are forced to roost in drafts of air. Ventilate the houses, but do it so that the hens may be out of direct drafts.

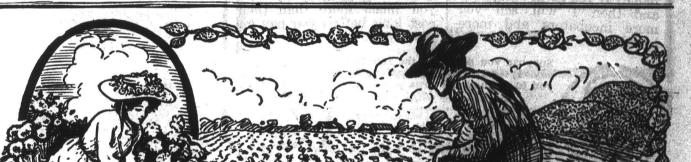
The deeper you have the straw on the floor of the hen house the harder the hens will have to work to get the feed you scatter for them, and the more eggs you will get. One of the best hen men in this

country, in answer to my question, "Do you think pepper is good for hens?" said, "I don't use it." That was all; but it was enough for me.

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A reputation for honest goods and honest dealing is bound to bring success.

Close attention and thorough work will prevent disaster and save time, labor and money. The poultry raiser who is constantly

complaining about "bad luck," is advertising the fact that his methods are at fault.

Take "volunteered advice" with a "grain of salt." Wise men do not need to advertise their wisdom. No one knows it all.

Some one once said, and truthfully, too, that poultry culture is made up of a chain of little things, one link out of place making a bad kink in the whole chain.

Farmer Jones' Short Cuts.

So long as the hens lay all right, what difference does it make whether they are of a fashionable color or not? -"handsome is as handsome does."

It is the man who thinks he knows all about hens, and swings into the race with five or six hundred the first pop, whom you hear saying a year or two later, "Hens are the biggest nui-sance on the face of the earth. No one ever made anything out of them."

When the combs of the fowls begin to droop and look pale and limp,

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