ed, sprinkled well occasionally with black pepper. Bread and milk may also be given with good results.—[S. E. D., Ellenville, N Y.

THE USEFUL R I REDS.

The farmers of the famous R I poulbeen keeping a distinct variety of general-purpose towl known as the R I



Red, now becoming quite popular in many parts of the country. At the recent Boston show, nearly 100 specimens were shown, while at the show in Chicago there were only 30 Reds, the breed not being well known in the middle west. They are a solid, meaty fowl with short thighs, long breastbone, deep yellow skin and light pin feathers. Eggs are large and of a beautiful dark reddish brown, the number per year being about the same as produced by Plymouth Rocks. W andots and other breeds of medium rize. They are good sitters and mother, and of quiet disposition. Eggs hatch well and chicks are unusually hardy. The color preferred is a clear, dan's red. Red, now becoming quite popular in

Thorough Work for Lice-Give the chickens' quarters a thorough renovating before cold weather sets in. 20 gain water with walk to orm a strong 20 gale water add and to rem a strong brine. Old being can be utilized for the gurpose. Use boiling hot. Let it enter every crevice. If well coated with salt crystals one application will last 4 or 5 yrs. Remove roosts, pass them lightly through the fire, coat with coal oil or brine and replace. This treatment is much more chicient than a lime wash. Make an emulsion of lard and coal oil, treat each fowl thoroughly, applying to those places most frequented by mites or lice, before allowing them to enter the renovated juarters.—[A. C. McPherson, Athens Co. O.

Piano Box Coop We had a large piano box, tacked tar paper on back and ends and set it in an angle mode and ends and set it in an angle mode by a high board fence and an out-house. In the slope of the front, which as to the south. John fitted two half windows. He also put in roosts and fixed a sliding board under the roosts to facilitate cleaning. We had some chicken wire which we had used around the porch to keep the babies from numbling off, and did not now so we made a small yard, possibly 18x 18. The outlay was I think 95c.—[J., Ill.

A Watering Device for either old or young fowls can be made by boring a hole in a block of hard wood. It is eas-ily cleaned and will not tip over.— [Ethan Brooks, Hampden Co, Mass.

Get Ducks Hatched as early as pos-Get Ducks Hatched as e ily as pos-sible, if for market, and crowd them to the last notch with feed to produce rapid growth. Of course you must see that they have green food and water whenever they wish it; for while they do not eat much green stuff, as com-pared with other poultry, some is es-sential to their health.—IE. C.

Uniting the Branches—There is much said about the necessity of specializing in the poultry business, but the fact remains that nearly all the successful poultry men are uniting the egg and market poultry brancher. The necessity for keeping up the plant the year around, and employing all the time and facilities seems to make it necessary to raise broilers and market chickens, as well as layers. Besides, the broiler men who depend upon others to furnish satisfactory eggs for hatching are likely to be disappointed.

A Needed Reform. POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS.

savings banks. where Postoffice money is received and forwarded to the seat of government, for government have been a great success in Enguse, have been a great success in England, Canada and elsewhere, many years. In England, anyone from a child of 7 yrs and upward can become a depositor. They have only to go to any postoffice and ask the postmaster or postmistress for a depositor's application form, which they fill out there and then at the same time making a and ther, at the same time making a deposit, the minimum being as low as

cation form, which they fill out there and ther, at the same time making a deposit, the minimum being as low as one shilling or 25c. This is accepted and a depositor's book signed and stamped in usual form is handed to the depositor. In three days he receives a notice from the home office at London, saying his application has been received and is recorded. From that time on, he can deposit whatever sum he likes over 25c and as often as he likes. Acknowledgment is made in every case by the London office in addition to entry in the depositor's book. If a depositor wishes to make a withdrawal, he asks for a withdrawal form, on which he states the amount he wishes to take out. This form is slipped in any letter box or office and in three or four days he receives notice from the London headquarters, which he takes to the local office where he stated he wished to make his withdrawal. The postmaster has also been advised and on producing book and the signature which he has to make, the amount is handed out and at the same time put down in the withdrawal column of his bank book. On the anniversary of the day the account is first opened, the depositor's book is sent to the head office in an envelope obtained at any postoff'e for the purpose. At the London office the books are audited and 2½ per cent added to the amount on deposit. This is done annually which of course means compound interest.

To further meet the people who cannot spare 25c at one saving, stamp forms can be obtained for holding stamps to the amount of 25c, thus givir; the people the opportunity to save at least 1c if not more. This means a big revenue to the government in stamps alone. When stamps to the amount of 25c have been put on the form, it can be handed in with bank book and 25c is credited to depositor. Here is where the encouragement to study thrift first sets in. A child when once taught to try and save at least a cent will try more and more as his account increases, and to-day man; can say it was their little postal savings bank account whic

say it was their little postal savings bunk account which gave them a start in life.

While a child of 7 yrs may become a depositor, he cannot make a withdrawal before 21 yrs of age without lirst going before a magistrate with parents or guardian showing good cause for the withdrawal. In 14 yrs a nice little sum accumulates and has been the means of starting many out in life with good prospects. Why can, ot the American farmers, with one accord, demand at leas one stepping stone to thrift? Why cannot our government give to the people the profits derived from public money instead of giving to the money trust what is justly and honestly the people's money? Very recently over 150 million dollars was lost by the people because the money trust made a squeeze on various banks, when they knew a weak point.—[J. H. Denyer, Northampton Co, Pa.

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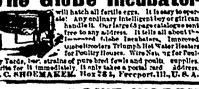


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