

**Farm and Garden.***Feeding Young Chickens.*

One of my difficulties used to be the interference of the grown poultry with the food of the young chickens while feeding them. At last I hit upon this device, which may be of use to some others; I made a frame four feet square, three feet high at one end, four at the other; placed four roosting poles—old broom handles—across it, and roofed it tight, leaving a small door in the centre of the roof. Then I made the sides by nailing laths on them horizontally, just so far apart as would permit the entrance of the chickens, but to the exclusion of a larger growth. We call the structure our "chicken boarding-house," and it answered to a charm. The little ones seemed to take to it naturally, and our Mary's in basin and iron spoon basting tomato, brought the little vagrants home in spite of an erratic mother's clucking protests. They particularly patronised the roosting rods in the heat of the day.

*How To Pack Butter.*

*From the New York American, Grocer.*

Butter put up in good looking packages, and without a nail or fastener for the purpose of the retail dealer, will always command the highest market prices. Pails are the last thing in the world in which butter should be packed, unless it is of very superior quality, and the market is not known to be overstocked. It will sell only to the trade of this city, as no others want butter up in that style. It is a useless trouble to which the connoisseur is put, to collect and return them, and is also expensive. The firkins used with best success, are manufactured from well seasoned hard spruce, although white fir, cedar or ash will do. No soap should be left in the timber on any account, as, by long standing, the soap is liable to sour, grow black or mouldy, and injure the butter. Size about twelve inches deep by eleven inches in diameter at the top, and nine at the bottom, in the clear, with a good tight cover made to fit, so as to exclude all air. This size will hold from thirty to forty pounds, and the shape is preferred by the retailer on account of the ease with which the butter is returned to the firkin. Too much care cannot be used in preparing the firkin before packing the butter. This should be done by soaking it in clear spring or well water from four to six days, changing the water at least once each day. Till there is no smell of the wood to impart its flavor to the butter. The day previous to using, fill the firkin with scalding hot brine, cover it tight, and let it stand till you are ready to pack your butter. Then turn out your brine, and rub the inside of your tub with the best Liverpool salt. Butter packed in this style of package will always sell at the highest prevailing rates for the quality of butter, for however dull the market may be for fat or export, still a certain amount is needed under all circumstances by the trade, and this package is the most handy for their use.

**Family Matters.**

**COATINGS.**—White cloth of pure lamb's-wool is intended for children's cloaks. It is a third of an inch thick, fleecy on the under side, smooth and lustreless on top, and as soft as cashmere. The same fabric is also shown in several for wraps for ladies' novels as children. Among these are dark plum, cypress green, sailor blue, pale lavender, and close French grey. Lighter cloths, only heavy enough for house-jackets, are woven with heavy ribs, diagonal or lengthwise, in imitation of corduroy. These are shown in linsey, brown, gray, and scarlet. The design or marking is a short half-fitting placket, with a seam down the centre of the back and wide side borders. The collar of the garment is cut in bold Gothic points, faced with velvet, and each point is finished by a tassel. The sleeves are flowing. The pointed back and front, with tassels on the points.

**HOW TO PREVENT MICE IN PIGEON-HOUSES.**—We find a severe pestilence for house-wives in the report of the recent meeting of the British Association in Edinburgh. In the course of their discussion on the "germ theory," Miss Taylor Becker and the question had a bearing on domestic economy. She referred to the making of preserves, and the difficulty of keeping mould from settling on the jam. According to the old practice of leaving the pots uncovered for several days, time was allowed for the germs in the atmosphere to descend and settle on the jam, which was capital soil, and the result was a plentiful crop of mould. She advised the ladies in the section, when making preserves, to cover up the pots while the preserve was in a heated condition.

**MIXED FRUITCAKES.**—Take equal quantities of peaches, apples, pears, and quinces, that have been peeled, cored, and quartered, or, what is better, cut fine. To every six pounds of fruit allow one pint of water. Let them cook thoroughly, but not long. Take out and mash well together. Clean the kettle, and put them back with half or three-quarters their weight in sugar, and let them cook very slowly two hours.

**GRAFTON CAKE (cheap and good).**—One pint of flour, one-half pint of sugar, one-table-spoonful of butter, one egg, two-table-spoonfuls of cream of tartar, one of soda. Make a batter with the milk, having it quite thin. Bake at once.

In Caistor the other day a youth of the mature age of 19 married a blushing Spaniard who was "but, fair forty." May Sunny be well taken care of.

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