

Poultry World

GUIDING THE AMATEUR IN POULTRY RAISING (T. F. McGrew in N. Y. Sun.) Article III.

EGG PRODUCTION All who keep hens are quite desirous of having eggs from them during the winter months, when eggs are scarce and high in price. The facts are that about the best egg yield that any one has been able to get from hens in November or December has been a 20 per cent. yield; that is, a average of twenty eggs per day from 100 hens, or six eggs per month from each hen. Few get so many, the majority will scarcely average half as many. About January 1 the egg yield is likely to increase, and the hens will naturally lay more eggs from then on to April, during which month more eggs are usually laid than at any other time. If the weather continues to be cold and unseasonable during the early part of April the larger yield may extend into May.

The very best of all eggs are those laid during April, May and June. Hens lay best when they can have warm growing weather, which produces the growing green shoots, bugs, worms and beetles for them to eat. Food of this kind helps the hen to fill the shell full of albumen that is dense and full of solid substance, called the white of the egg. Such eggs are best for hatching, best for cold storage and best for preserving in water glass. They contain less water than eggs laid during the winter and are larger and better shelled.

The use of electric lights in the laying houses is becoming more general. The object is to enable the hens to see to eat as many hours in winter as during short days as they can when the days are longer. The hen must see all her crop before she goes to roost. If this must be done prior to four o'clock in the afternoon she will be deprived by darkness from replenishing her food supply until about eight in the morning. This causes sixteen hours of fasting, leaving only eight hours for replenishing of her food supplies. In fact, her crop, her esophagus and her gizzard are all to be empty and it will take an hour to get them into full action again, which cuts the process of feeding down to about seven hours.

With electric lights in use it is essential either from the point of increased egg yield or fast growth of young stock that the hens shall have what they will eat of the most nutritious grain and dry mash mixture.

Scarcely any one who keeps fowls

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can resist the temptation of having some little chicks. This comes with the warm days of spring and spreads like the measles.

I knew a man who kept twelve or fifteen hens. He purchased a 250 egg incubator and a coal stove brooder. He was a novice at the work and got sixteen living chicks from over two hundred eggs. His whole family nursed the chicks with kindness and those who make appliances.

I led the way to the chicken house and there nestled down quietly and ready was a broody hen, so tame she could be handled. We found a soap box and made a nest of soft straw and put this on the floor of the little house that had been arranged for the new brooder. Three of the eggs that had not hatched in the incubator were placed under her. She and two other hens hatched and reared twenty-eight chicks. This was all they had room

Worn-Out, Weak Men and Women Testify Chatham, Ont.—'For many years I suffered with stomach trouble and I tried many remedies but they seemed to be a failure—my stomach seemed to be getting worse instead of better. One day I came in possession of a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and took it. My stomach seemed completely cured. I have great faith in this medicine and hope any sufferer that reads this will give the 'Discovery' a trial. Once tried, you will never be without it.—C. TITUS, Jr., 28 Duke St.

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Hamilton, Ont.—'I have suffered with rheumatism for the last five years and I have taken three bottles of Dr. Pierce's Anemic (anti-uric-acid) Tablets and three bottles of 'Golden Medical Discovery' and am nearly cured. I also had that dread disease, Spanish Influenza, leaving me in a terrible condition. Only those who have had it know what an awful condition it leaves one in. I am sure if it had not been for Dr. Pierce's medicines and advice I certainly would have died.

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for and it was done at no expense and with little trouble. Many drive themselves out of the chicken business through the most wilful extravagance. If those who keep a few hens want to try an incubator let them get a small one, for no more than five or six dozen eggs, and be content with not more than three dozen eggs in it for the first hatch. Gain experience in this way, then try a full tray of eggs. The first hatch with an incubator is likely to be a failure. Be wise and go slowly; when trained, go as fast as you please.

CARE AND FEEDING Don't coddle the little chicks, keep them away from the wet and cold. Do not keep them longer than two weeks entirely on a board floor. A board floor is too dry and it saps the moisture from the shanks and feet of the little chicks. This causes what is called leg weakness. If the chicks cannot be allowed to run at least a little while each day out on the ground, have some earth for them to scratch in or at least to run over. This earth

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must not be dry and dusty, nor can it be wet.

More chicks are destroyed by lice, mites and filth than from all other causes. This indicates that the best and surest way to rear the chickens is to keep them and their surroundings clean and free from insect vermin. The first pest that besets them is the head louse, then the body louse and then the red mites. The beginning of these mites is like gray dust, then they grow into bloodsucking insects that are red when full of blood.

The first meal of the little chick can be breadcrumbs, oatmeal and cracked wheat, or corn grits or fine samp, or some of each mixed together. After the chicks are two weeks old they can be fed almost any one of the commercial chick feeds that are composed of small particles of grain. So soon as they are old enough they will do best if fed whole wheat, cracked corn and hulled oats, about one-half of the mixture wheat, the balance equal parts of corn and oats. A good quality of growing mash should be kept before them all the time in a hopper from which they can help themselves at will.

The natural feeds for chickens are greens, good grain and some animal feed, either natural, such as worms, bugs, grasshoppers, beetles, meat or fish scraps. Where the chicks run about on free range they will pick up the greens and insects needed. When kept in close quarters these must be fed to them. The greater the variety of feed given them the better will they prosper, provided what they get is digestible and nourishing. A full supply of fresh water must be supplied continually. No matter how much milk they have, fowls of all kinds and of all ages must have plenty of water to drink.

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SILVERITE A NEW METAL. A new development in the alloying of aluminum with other metals has just been accomplished by the production of 'silverite.' This metal is something entirely new and is composed of a mixture of aluminum and copper, zinc and steel in varying proportions, according to requirements. The alloying of steel with aluminum is somewhat startling and at first thought seems to be impossible, yet it is successful.

FIGURATIVELY. 'Have you ever been up in the air?' 'Many times, many times, my boy.' 'Did you drive the plane yourself?' 'Plane? I never was in an aeroplane in my life, but I've been up in the air just the same.'

NATURALLY LOST. 'What became of the scheme to stamp out the date on eggs before they were put in cold storage?' asked the old Fogey. 'I haven't seen a stamped egg for five years.' 'No,' replied the Grouch. 'The ink fades six or seven years after it is stamped on an egg.'

VAIN CALL FOR A LIFE LINE. 'Asked the boss for a raise yesterday. Told him I found it hard to keep my head above water, that I was being swamped with bills and was in danger of going under if he didn't come to my rescue.' 'What did he say?' 'Told me it was a business he was running, not a life-saving station.'

PREPARING GRAINS FOR FALL FAIRS

(Experimental Farms Note.) It pays to advertise. There is no better advertisement than to be a prize winner at the Fall Fairs and no crop on the farm can be exhibited to better advantage than the cereal crop. To attain the best results, a special plot should be maintained and kept thoroughly clean, free from weeds and all impurities. Harvesting should be done by hand, keeping the sheaves as neat and straight as possible.

First and foremost the grain in the sheaf must not be weathered, it must be perfectly dry and of good color. The best results are obtained by the use of slightly immature straw, as it will be found to be less brittle and easier to handle. The straw should be spread in thin layers in the sun to dry; the sun will bleach the straw as well as dry it. Use only straight, uniform straws to make the sheaf; two or three sheaves should be collected in the field to allow for waste.

The majority of persons have the idea that all the straws should be of the same level. This would give us the square head in which, when tied together as though they were individual heads, gradually sloping them off in the same manner. To finish the sheaf a layer of individual heads should be placed around the whole producing a finished exhibition sheaf. All the loose leaves should be placed on the outside of the sheaf with a jack-knife leaving only the white shining straws, and all heads that do not conform to the symmetry of the head may be cut off, leaving a perfect sheaf. Colored ribbon about 1-2 to 3-4 inches wide may be used with good effect to cover the binding strings.

The remainder of the plot should be threshed by hand. This will form the bulk sample for the Fair. If the plot was kept pure in the field there will be very little that will need to be done to the threshed sample. A good fanning mill will remove all shrunken and small kernels, all chaff and dirt. The fanning mill must be clean, many an excellent sample has been ruined by a dirty fanning mill. Thoroughness is the secret of a good sample.

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ple, the fanning mill should not be spared even if it means fanning away 50 per cent of the original sample. The bulk of sample may be double bagged for shipping to the Fair. The sheaf should be shipped in a box, 3-4 inches longer and 1-2 inch broader and deeper than the sheaf. The sheaf should be wrapped in paper and tied fitted into the box and kept in position by supports. With our present day standards always improving, great care must be taken in preparing the exhibits for our Fall Fairs. No prize will be won by the farmer who puts up a rough sheaf or a poor sample. The secret of success is thoroughness.—P. R. Cowan, Cereal Division.

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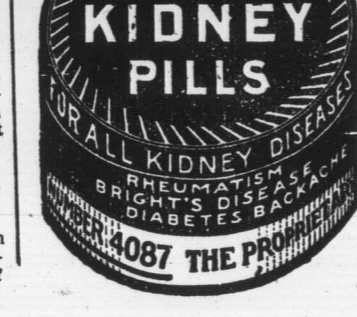
Pulque Trains in Mexico. Pulque, the national drink of Mexico, is made from the juice of the maguey plant, large tracts of which are cultivated outside the City of Mexico. As a rule there are about eight hundred plants to the acre. The juice is extracted by the peons. It is shipped into town in long trains much like our milk trains here. The white liquid tastes like yeast and the consumption is so great that it is equivalent to two quarts a day for each person.

History and Material Wealth. It is time we remembered that history does not concern herself about material wealth—that the life-blood of a nation is not that yellow tide which fluctuates in the arteries of trade—that its true revenues are religion, justice, sobriety, magnanimity, and the fair amenities of art.—Lowell.

JOLLY LITTLE CHIPMUNK. The place the chipmunk fills is small and inconspicuous, but his sylvan 'chirrup' plays a minor strain in the chordless diapason which the mighty world of nature is forever singing in heart forests; solemn and consolatory to heal earth's scars; jubilant and glad for the free of heart. Intoxicating ever some clear sweet notes of mystic melody for those who listen to awaken a dreaming bliss or to thrill an untried fiber into quivering life.

Jewel Superstitions. In olden time the sapphire was worn against the bites of venomous animals, and to keep away apparitions; the emerald to prevent giddiness and strengthen the memory. The ruby was considered a powerful amulet to ward off plagues and had the 'power of making the wearer cheerful.'

BUT A SWEET REMARK. Nora—'I'd just like to know how many young men will be unhappy when I marry?' Dora—'Well, my goodness! You can marry only one man.'



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PREPARING BEES FOR WINTER

(Experimental Farms Note.) The successful wintering of bees is often ascribed to luck. But investigations carried on at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, during the past eight years, show that there is very little ground for this view. Of 348 colonies wintered during this period, both in the cellar and out-of-doors, only seven per cent were lost and this loss was ascertained in nearly every case to be due to definite causes, the principal causes being unwholesome and granulated stores and starvation. Most of the colonies lost from unwholesome stores did not die outright but became so weak that they had to be united to others.

The secret success in wintering bees lies in their proper preparation. This preparation needs to be begun in July when some of the bees are sent to the outside of the colony to contain a good, fertile queen, preferably one raised the same year, which will raise a large number of young bees in the late summer months. Each colony needs about 40 pounds of wholesome stores for the winter and early spring, and this should be in the hive before the end of September in most places. Clover, honey and syrup, made from refined (not brown) sugar are wholesome. This year, owing to the high cost of refined sugar, it may be hard to provide sufficient good stores, especially in some parts of Ontario and Quebec where the clover was killed last winter, and chances may have to be taken with honey that the bees gather from other plants. Buckwheat honey is wholesome, but some of the honeys, for example, that come from wild plants in the fall are inclined to cause dysentery and death.

Winter protection is very important. If the bees are to remain outside, no better protection can be given than the 4-colony case made large enough to hold about four inches of packing consisting of shavings, dried leaves or straw, or more old, around the sides and beneath the top. The apary must be well protected from wind.

If cellar wintering is followed, the bee cellar should be comparatively dry and it should be well insulated to prevent much variation in temperature. For a few colonies from other localities a boarded-off portion of the basement of the beekeeper's residence makes a good bee cellar and a furnace in the basement is an advantage if the stores are wholesome and the bees have been brought in before severe weather, the best temperature for the bee cellar is between 45 degrees and 50 degrees F. If, however, dysentery has developed, the higher temperature will cause restlessness and a few degrees lower will be advisable.—F. W. L. Sladen, Apiarist.

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OUTSPOKEN ATHENIAN. More than twenty-three hundred years ago a young Athenian, speaking of his wife, said to Socrates: 'When I saw that she had powder on her face to make it whiter and rouge to make it redder, and that she wore high-heeled shoes, and that she wore a corset to deplete me about her beauty as for me to try to deceive her about my property. I added that, although her arts might impose upon others, they could not impose upon me, who saw her at all times.'—Youth's Companion.

Minard's Liniment For Burns, Etc. Cure for Poison Ivy. Mrs. Evelyn S. Trenbath, wife of the Rev. Robert W. Trenbath, rector of St. James' Episcopal Church, of Montreal, N. J., has conferred a boon on sufferers from poison ivy by announcing a remedy which those who have tried it say is a most efficacious remedy. It is simply the green leaves of common catnip rubbed on the affected parts until the juice runs.

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France Fears the Black Mass

It is reported that the general wave of interest in Spiritualism and the destructibility of personality common to a great part of the civilized world has adopted a form in Paris which is very like a revival of 'Satanism,' that is, of Satan worship. Here and there this terrible irreligion has cropped out in France, starting from the Dark Ages and continuing down to the present. The name given to it now is la Messe Noir (the black mass).

There usually has been a recrudescence of Satan worship in the French cities during periods of unrest and moral and political ferment. The cult has had a hold on the Latin races, Italian and French particularly. But it is called by many the Gallic cult.

During the reign of Louis XIV. there was an expose of this worship of Satan and many aristocratic names were involved as belonging to devotees. The Marquis de Brinvilliers was found guilty of practices of poisoning and sorcery and she and La Voisin, her accomplice, who was an acknowledged sorcerer, poisoner and priestess of Satan, were burned at the stake. The Voisin woman boasted that she had celebrated the mass with the assistance of an ordained priest over 1,000 times in the city of Paris. Her confession she implicated persons of the very highest rank, many of whom were able to prove their innocence.

The original, or at least most noted, practitioner of the black mass was infamous Gilles de Retz, who had high birth, being the lord of the three estates, and was moreover a very learned man. He was proved to have sacrificed in his worship of Satan hundreds of children. Their ages ranged from infancy to three or four years, and the younger they were De Retz said, the more acceptable was their blood to his lord, 'Satanas Rex Inferne.' The atrocious monster, all his bones being broken before he was hanged. The custom of sacrificing children was abandoned early as too dangerous, and Satan worshippers in the twentieth century sacrificed to their deity a lamb or a dove. The scene is a spacious vaulted room hung with black and heavy with incense. There is an altar lighted by candles exactly as in a lawful church, but with this difference that the candles are useless unless they have been made of human fat. In front of the altar is a couch draped with a pall where the postulant, generally a woman, throws herself at full length and remains there throughout the ceremony.

One of the prayers used is thus translated: 'Glory to thee, O Satan! Glory and honor and power to thee forever and ever! We praise thee, we adore thee, we glorify thee! Master omnipotent King of hell! Receive our supplication!'

A song divides the mass into three parts, the last of which seeks the vessels in form and material like the vessels used in the Catholic mass, profaned and broken. The contents of the host are poured over the postulant at the close and then the candles are blown out. In total darkness the infernal business ends with the usual words: 'Te missa est.' The recrudescence of the horror, which has been described by Eugene Sue and later writers, is the way the brilliant but somewhat incomprehensible Gallic intellect (to Anglo-Saxon peoples) exhibits its spiritualistic interests.

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