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RAISING CHICKENS.

Early chickenhood is the time when poultry breeders should assist nature in developing the size and growth of fowls. In it the frame of the future bird is moulded, its size increased, or its growth retarded, just in proportion to the degree of care and attention then bestowed. Whatever be the object

sought in raising chickens, whether it is to supply the table with delicious food, the breeding yards with choice stock, or the exhibition pen with prize birds, size with very few exceptions is one of the principal points looked for; and this can only be obtained to a degree of perfection by the proper treatment of chickens from the time they are hatched until they arrive at maturity. Feed well, feed often, giving no more at a time than will be all picked up, and keep the chicken pen scrupulously clean, are golden rules which should be emblazoned on every chicken coop in the poultry yard. Inattention to cleanliness brings on nine-tenths of the diseases to which chickendom is liable, and is the cause of so many poor sickly-looking fowls frequently to be found in poultry yards; and to it may be attributed the large proportion of deaths which occur among chickens, while want of due care and attention to feeding chickens is the cause of so many otherwise promising birds being stunted in growth, scraggy in appearance, and altogether unfit either for the show pen or the breeding yard. Let fanciers on this side the Atlantic bear in mind that to enable them to compete successfully for a Birmingham prize cup, not only must care be taken in the mating of fowls for breeding, but also greater attention bestowed on the feeding of chickens than that usually given them.