The Poultry Yard.

TURKEY FEEDING DEVICE.

It is often desirable to hasten the fattening of young turkeys. Where there are chickens,



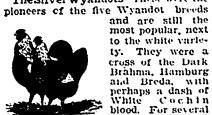
oung and old, young and on, the feed scat-tered to the fowls mostly goes to the goes to the chickens, as they are faster eaters than tur-keys. Turkeys are not as good "rustlers" as

are not as good "rustlers" as chickens. But to get them ready for Tnanksgiving, they must be well fed To give turkeys their just share, and even more, of the feed, I use an arrangement as illustrated. The feed stand is made of an orange box and a few laths. Taking a box head. I nailed 2-in strips around it, making a shallow box. The legs are laths, on the box I put another lid, and above all I made a peaked roof. Then I nailed strips around the box which left openings large enough for the turkeys 40 put their heads through. The grain is put in the box and turkeys can eat whenever they wish. If desired instead of the peak, a few bricks can by placed on the box. It is marvelous how the cockerels can cling to the edge and stick their heads through the openings. The length of the legs must by determined by the size of the turkeys.—[Cornelius Branckman, Briscol Co, R I.]

Meat Makes Eggs-If one can get refuse bone and meat at the butcher's refuse bone and meat at the butcher's at I c p lb, the increase in egg production will soon pay for a bone cutter. One pound of meat is worth several pounds of grain for making eggs. With one of the hand bone cutters costing only a few dollars, one can easily cut meat and bone for a large flock of hens, as they need it only three times a week. [W. H. Jenkins, Delaware Co, N Y. New London Co, Ct.

An Expert's Way-Talking with an exper, poultry raiser, he says poultry-men flood the markets at Thanksgivmen neod the markets at Thanksgiving time and values decline greatly. He markets his surplus cockerels, deformed pullets and old hens about two weeks before Thanksgiving and on the highest market he can ship to. Prices then are 1 to 3c higher than a fortnight later.

The Silver Wyandots-These were the



and are still the most popular, next to the white variety. They were a cross of the Datk Brahma, Hamburg and Breda, with perhaps a dash of White Coch in blood. For several years the breed was known as the Sebright, but was admitted to the standard in 1883 under the present name. Their black and sliver-laced plumage gives them a degree of beauty possessed by Zew of the practical breeds. They are a little lighter weight than Plymouth Rocks, and of more blocky and compact build papular as brollers and roasters. None of the general purpose breeds lay more eggs per year. As sliters and mothers they are also satisfactory. The only reason for the greater popularity of the White Wyandats is the fact that the plin feathers of the latter variety give less trouble when dressing for market. [Burr Knapp, Worcester Co, Mass.

Pekin Ducks at 3 mos old should dress 5 to 6 lbs each, but should either be killed at 10 weeks of age or kept unbe killed at 10 weeks of age or kept until 16 weeks old; as pin feathers start on them after 10 weeks, and they are not in good condition for killing after that time until 16 weeks old. They should dress 10 lbs to pair when 10 weeks old where raised under the most favorable conditions. A 3 mos old gosling should dress 10 to 12 lbs, depending on the season of the year hatched the breed, etc.—[W. F. Rudd, Mass.

every other day. An excellent and easy way of preparing charcoal is to place a few ears of corn in the oven until browned to a coal. For young chicks a little fine charcoal mixed with meal or curd is advisable and will prevent many cases of mysterious sickness and death

When Picking Geese, the feathers should not be picked until there is no blood in the ends of the quills. This can be readily ascertained, as they will then icave the flesh without hard pulling. A goose will average about 1 lb feathers a year.—[G. E. Howard.

Failure in Poultry raising may be attributed to a cold, dark, thry, unventilated poultry house; improper food; unintelligent feeding and bad care, keeping a breed of fowls not egg pro-

The R I Poultry School has enrolled already 17 members for the winter course of six weeks, beginning Jan 11. The class will be limited to 25.

Feeding Large and Small Chicks-



a difficult matter as the larger crowd the weaker and take most of the food. Get one or more big low boxes and remove a part of each side, as shown in the cut, making the opening just high enough to permit the small chicks to enter. Stretch a wire from side to side at the top and throw the feed inside for the younger ones. Move the box to a fresh plece of ground daily. box to a fresh piece of ground daily.

a rapid growth Do not imagine you can starve them until within a few weeks of Thanksgiving and then stuff them so they will weigh as much as your neighbors' fowis that have been well fed-from the shell.—[E. B. Weaver, New London Co. Ct.

A Drinking Fountain Covered-To



A Drinking Fountain Covered—To tipping over or soiling drinking water, remove every alternate stave from a peach basket and turn over the vessel in which water is kept. Place a stone on top to keep basket in place. Use a pan or large dish to bring the water within easy reach of the ground may be used.

Diseases and Cures-H. H. K.: Your chickens fed liberally, but kept in crops or grass land are probably stuntconcens fed liberally, but kept in crops or grass land are probably stunted and of uneven growth because of a lack of grit. Move the coops or supply sharp sand. Chickens hatched this fall will molt later next year than those of the spring hatch and will make the best of summer layers, but will rest the greater part of the following winter.—

L. J. The soft, blister-like swelling on the cock's foot should be cut open and washed — Mrs O. P. T: A few meals of boiled rice will relieve the bowel looseness of young turkeys. Add a little red pepper for a bracer.—P. T.: Watery droppings indicate nothing worse than diarrhea caused by change of weather and dampness. See preceding reply.—H. T. T.: It will scarcely pay to doctor the common hen which has been sick so long with roup; use the ax—N.N. Drain the sunken floor, cover it 6 in deep with chaff and dust and signs of lameness will disappear. Do not overfeed.

Fattening Poultry for Export-Our experience in fattening poultry for the export trade has been that the first and most important point is to procure the on them after 10 weeks, and they are not in good condition for killing after that time until 16 weeks old. They should dress 10 ibs to pair when 10 weeks old where raised under the most favorable conditions. A 3 mos old gosling should dress 10 to 12 lbs, depending on the season of the year hatched the breed, etc.—[W. F. Rudd, Mass.

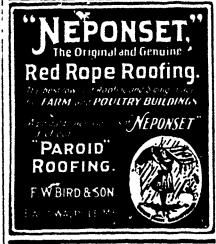
For Indigestion or over-feeding, charcoal has no equal. Break it in pieces about the size of corn and feed matched until placed in the fattening in

coops; then with three or four weeks of our fattening process, together with skill and neatness in plucking, pack-ing, etc, the English market is capskin and neatness in plucking, packing, etc, the English market is captured, not forgetting our splendid cold strange system of transportation, without which our work would be in vain. There seems to be an unlimited market in England for the very best poultry and the extent to which farmers will be benefited by this new industry depends on their producing the kind of fowl the market requires. Our shipments have been very satisfactory and profitable, but we cannot increase the business to any very great dimensions until the farmer's poultry yard undergoes a great change? Manager A. P. Hillhouse, Bendvide (Que) Poultry Station.

Save the Leaves that litter the yard and lawn. Dump them into a barrel or oox for the hens to scratch over this oox for the hens to scratch over this winter You will be surprised at the amount of exercise and entertainment a dozen hens will get out of a barrel of leaves thrown in the corner of a shed or in a warm nook. Just mix a few handfuls of wheat or other grain in the leaves and lef them scratch for it. [G. B. Potter, Litchfield Co. Ct.

Western vs Eastern Conditions-Compared with the west, the east has far poorer soils higher railway rates, has not the alvantage that selling great masses of products gives, uses far less machinery, has poorer pastures, less skilled and aggressive breeders, less boldness of policy and is more fixed in its practices. There is in the east the advantage of near-by markets, therefore higher prices, can produce better products gain for them personal markets, have cheaper money cheaper lands better roads, more of permanent improvements less expensive habits, purer water and conditions that admit and compel closer industry, economy and a keener exercise of intellectual powers.—[Prof. J. W., Sanborn, N. H. has not the alvantage that tellectual powers.—[Prof J. born, N H.

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