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to make. After that do not disturb the oats, but keep them well moistened. In a short time there will be a sod about three inches thick, that will be relished by the hens in a way that will do your heart good to see. Feed only what they will eat up clean, and by starting a new lot every few days, the green food question is solved, and the cost reduced at the same time.

If meat foods are hard to get, try breeding maggots: Mix bran and water to a sloppy condition, and let it stand in the sun for a day or two. It does not take it long to turn into a pailful of lively white maggots that will start biddy singing the song we all enjoy to hear.

The whole matter resolves itself into the question of making nature's conditions as near as possible available for the hens and chicks that are shut up, and the attention to detail is almost invariably well rewarded.

## Care for the Chickens

John Shakespeare, England

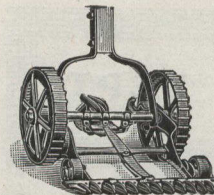
A common cause of chicken mortality is derangement of the bowels, and the chief causes of bowel troubles are sour and tainted food and a faulty water supply. Often chicks are over supplied with soft food, and that which is uneaten is allowed to lie about and get soured by the sun, with the result that when consumed by the birds it sets up bowel troubles. Tainted food, that is, food thrown on to unclean ground near the brood coops, or on the tainted litter of the brooders, is at the root of many bowel ailments among chicks. When chicks are being fed on mash the food should be placed either on pieces of board or in shallow troughs, and no more should be allowed the youngsters than they can greedily clear up.

Foul water is equally as bad as tainted food. If the water vessels are placed where dirt can be scratched into them, or where the sun's rays can reach them, their contents will account for bowel troubles, and the slow but sure poisoning of the chickens. I am a great believer in a plentiful supply of pure, cool drinking water for chicks, as such is nature's drink.

Chickens injudiciously fed suffer more with constipation than is generally imagined. The feeding of too much dry food and too little vegetable matter is often at the bottom of this ailment. The voidings in some cases become so hard as to cause much abdominal straining and the vent becomes entirely blocked up with the excreta that adheres to and around it, and unless speedy assistance is rendered the sufferers soon succumb.—Poultry Advocate.

Farmers along the St. Lawrence River, as far east as Cornwall, are waking up to the fact that there is more money in the growing of fruit than in the dairy business, to which most of them have devoted nearly all their attention. D. A. McIntosh of Harrison recently set out 525 fruit trees, 500 of which are McIntosh Red, Mann, Monroe, and Ben Davis apples, and 25 Montmorency large cherries. The demonstrations of fruit culture carried on by representatives of the department of agriculture in this district are having good results in causing farmers to pay more attention to fruit growing.

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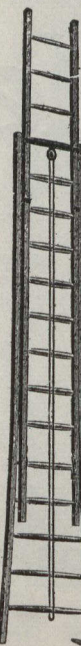
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