

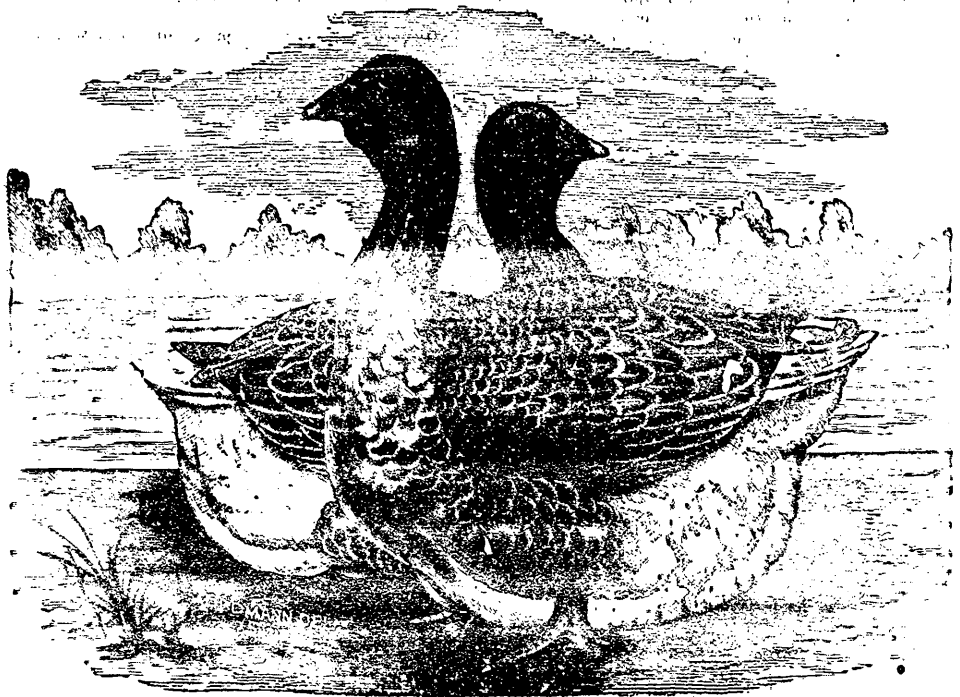
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Preparing Fowls for Exhibition.

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Editor Review.

Preparing for fall and for winter shows is the natural division of our subject at this point. For fall shows, where there is plenty of room inside and outside, with clean grass runs, nothing special in the way of feeding and care is requisite, —taking for granted, of course, that they have received and are receiving all the good solid grain they will eat, and plenty of clean water. Yet I have often been puzzled just here—I notice my chicks leaving good clean water and running off to a drain and drinking dirty, soapy water.

The male birds should not be allowed to run with the females while in preparation for exhibition at either season of the year, nor indeed at

any other time except during the breeding season. This separation is especially necessary during the moulting period, for at this period every energy is employed in perfecting the next year's fashions, and as these fashions are to continue in use for a whole year, and are not to be subject to the daily changes and modifications of their master's attire, it is very important that it be the very best and most becoming that can be produced. It is desirable, therefore, that every energy of the fowl shall be husbanded for this important duty, for, like all other suits, the more capital expended in its production the more beautiful it will be. Half starved hens will not have as fine plumage as those more liberally fed, nor will one whose energies are exhausted in other ways. This is especially applicable to the male birds. Again, it is better to have them separate while in preparation for exhibition,