

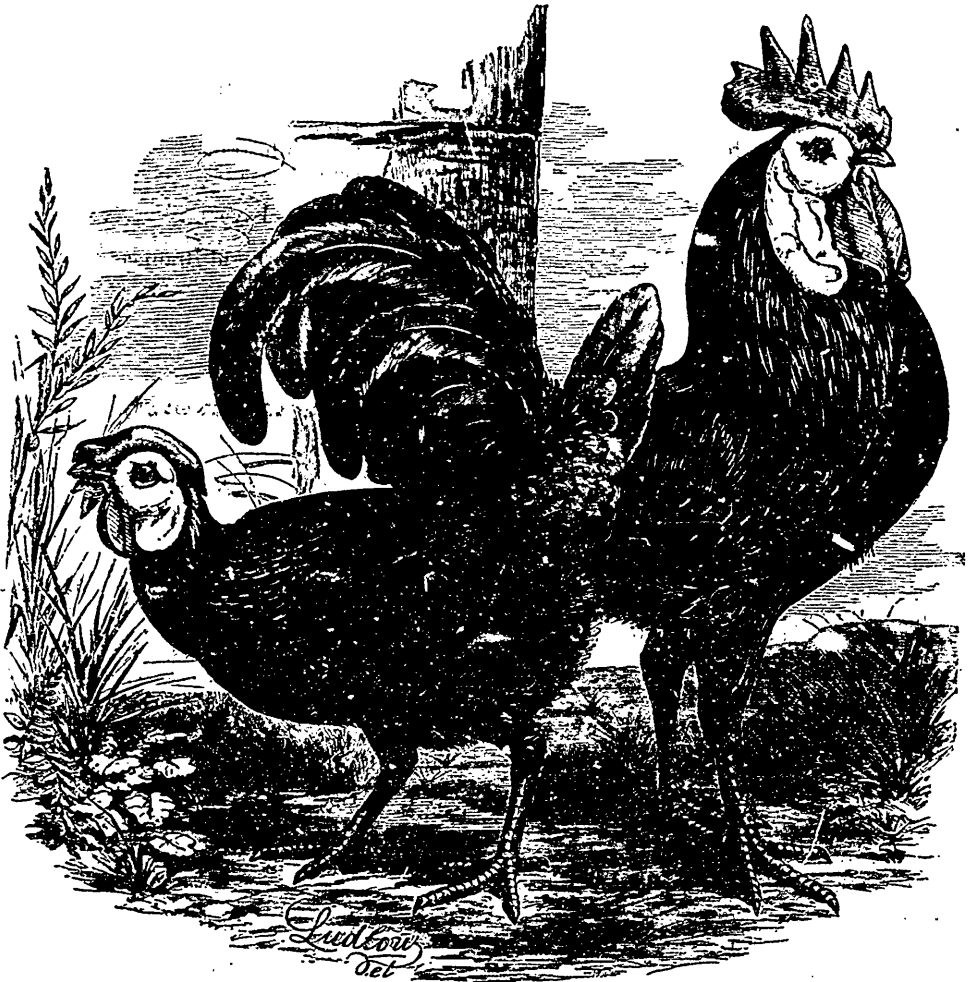
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WHITE-FACED BLACK SPANISH.

Cross-Bred Fowls.

Considerable attention is now being given to cross-breeding fowls, for the sake of obtaining a bird that combines, in the highest degree, great laying qualities and good flesh. The great object to be sought in poultry breeding should be utility, and I quite agree with X Roads that the fowl that is the best layer, and at the same time the best for

table use, is the best bird, no matter whether it be cross-bred or of one pure strain. It is nonsense to say we have gone far enough in this matter. If a better fowl than we now possess can be produced by all means let us have it, and the sooner the better for the community at large.

Of the standard breeds I know of no fowl that possesses these good qualities in a greater degree than the Plymouth Rock, but there are fowls that