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## POULTRY DEPT.

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Mature pullets and yearling hens, required for the laying pens, should be separated from the rest of the fowls and placed in the quarters they are to occupy through the winter. The remainder, consisting of the old hens, spare cockerels and very late chicks, should be used for table as soon as they are fit. Any birds that are to be fattened should be confined in a comfortable pen and given plenty of food suitable for flesh-forming. The windows of the pen should be darkened except at feeding time. This keeps the fowls quiet and they put on flesh much faster than if running loose.

Experiments carried on for 3 years with the view of comparing the maturing qualities of White Wyandottes with those of barred Plymouth Rocks, show that White Wyandottes make as much growth in 6 months as the barred Rock in 7. For the last 3 seasons the White Wyandotte pullets have been the first to begin laying. The parentage (an important factor with all stock) of both breeds, were as nearly similar as regards health and outbreeding as could be arranged. The chicks were hatched, in some cases, under the same hen. They were fed and yarded together. The flesh of the Wyandotte is quite as good as the barred Rock. As I keep both breeds, and having no prejudices, I can fairly say that the White Wyandotte is the better breed.

### THE CHRISTMAS TURKEY

The Christmas turkey being an important subject at this season, the writer asked the manager of the cooking plant in our leading cooked meat establishment a few directions for the preparation of the fowl before cooking; that is, the dressing and how to choose the best

turkey. The following directions were received: Give the preference to a turkey that has no food in its crop. The food sours and causes a taint to the flesh. Dry picked fowls are better than scalded ones. Clean, smooth legs and feet indicate a young fowl. Hang the bird several days after killing and before cooking. Do not open or draw the turkey until immediately before cooking, as much of the flavor is lost through the air drying out the interior of the fowl. In drawing the bird, try and remove the offal intact and then only wipe with a cloth the interior in preference to using water. The juices of the flesh run away with the water. If the above directions are followed and a thick slice of fat pork laid over the breast of the fowl when roasting, the result should be satisfactory to the most fastidious.

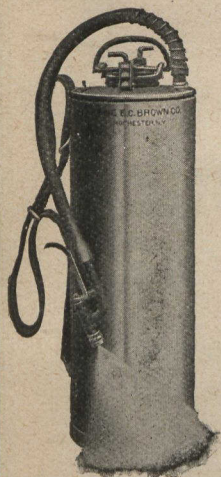
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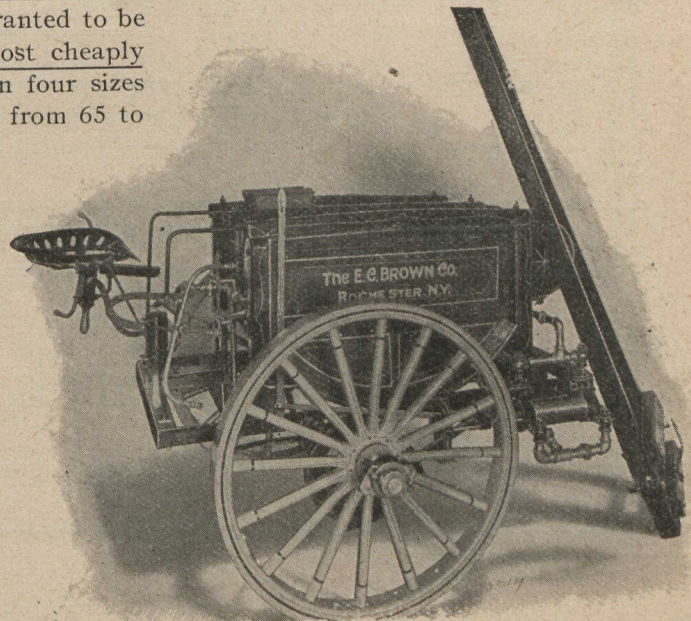
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