

HOME READING.

"Don't wave your ears at me, you flabby-headed green-livered plug," exclaimed a Blackford school-house orator at a debate last week...

An Irishman, in describing America, said: "I am told that you might roll England up in a sheet..."

A military man who boasts that he can't be caught, no matter what you ask him, but who is really stupid, is asked: "How many miles from Paris to Berlin?"

A FORWARD SEASON.—An old negro named Sam Clark, who counts a Griswold-street lawyer among his friends, called at his law-office...

REVENGE.—The man who seeks to revenge his wrongs is a usurper of the right of God...

LOVE REWARDED.—A contemporary has this remedy of T's. The thunder threatened, the tempest tossed the trees, throwing their trembling drunkelets topsy-turvy...

WILL BLOOD TELL THE CONSTITUTION?—Some five years ago, Dr. Heltzman announced an important discovery in respect to the anatomy of protoplasm...

A SWAGGLING JOKE.—Artemus Ward was lecturing with his panorama at Salt Lake, and, as business was good, he was in corresponding high spirits...

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In years past, almost a universal idea has been that poultry could not be kept with profit except on large farms...

If you cannot afford to buy high priced birds or eggs for hatching, and you have the common farm yard fowl, select your best layers, and fresh producers...

When eggs are the only object, the Polands, Black Spanish, Leghorns, Crevecoeurs and La Fleche are the best.

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DR. LLOYD, of Ohio, surgeon in the army during the war, from exposure contracted consumption.

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allowing the fowls to forage for themselves anywhere and everywhere in all kinds of weather. Some claim that to allow birds to rough it keeps them in the best health, makes them hardy, and in fact is the most natural for them.

Carelessness in the little details necessary to good management, such as the waste of food, feeding irregularly, regarding them from exposure, is often the cause of the bad and unprofitable results experienced by those just starting in the business.

The more care and attention is given to keep them in good appearance and health, the more uniformly they are fed and watered, and the more cleanly they are kept in well lighted and ventilated quarters, the better returns they will make us for such attention.

To become a successful breeder requires time, care, thought, and study, as well as practice, and now is the time for our readers, who have not already done so, to begin.

The Rev. FATHER DELANEAU, Catholic Priest and Missionary, writing from Bethlehem to Bishop Balze, of Paris, France, says: "I have just returned from a few months' trip up the country to the source of the River Jordan, to which place I went with the view of examining the condition of the people, and the prospect of establishing a Mission, and especially to see for myself the source of the River Jordan, the place where the water of the Jordan rises, and used by the natives for the cure of many of their bodily ills.

"I remained in the neighborhood nearly a week watching the effect it had on certain persons, and we were surprised to observe that the effect was truly wonderful, and cannot be explained by me. I took some back in a bottle to Bethlehem.

"The Rev. ENOCH R. BRIDGES, Missionary to the Holy Land, writing from Jericho to the Board in London, England, says: "I have, no doubt, heard of the Rev. O'Swain, who is one of the sources of the River Jordan, where so many miraculous cures of all kinds of diseases have been reported for generations. I supposed these tales to be fables, but am now convinced to the contrary. There is such a place—I have been there. It is certainly not attractive in appearance; but there is a virtue in the waters, or rather in the mud, which has been found floating on their surface, which seems to cure all manner of diseases, simply by the people bathing in it, and rubbing themselves with it. I obtained some of the mud from the stream and brought it with me to this place, where on my return I found my beautiful Arabian mare suffering from Swimmer's Itch. The best I could do was to wash her with the mud, and she was cured in a few days. This mud is certainly a most valuable and cheap medicine, and is worth a great deal of money if used judiciously. I shall bring some more of it with me on my next visit to the Holy Land."

"The Holy LAND OIL is now being brought to Europe, where it is much used for medicinal purposes, and is shipped to all parts of the world, and is quite as effective elsewhere as at its native source."

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Old hens as a rule are safer and surer for this duty; their eggs hatch better than those of young fowls.

Experience has taught good breeders in this cold climate that birds hatched out in May and June do as well as those hatched a month earlier.

Unless provision is made for green food, a good rule is to bring the young chicks out so as to be ready when the young grass is starting.

Set a hen at this early season on nine eggs rather than greater number, let them be fresh laid, place her upon them at night, keep her in a quiet place, with food and water near, and let her alone, she will bring her brood off better than with your help; feed the young chicks for a week upon dry bread crumbs mixed with eggs boiled hard; a little boiled wheat after this is very good.

Keep the mother and chickens free from lice and from cats and rats until they are well grown.

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By bathing the Breast, Stomach and Spine with HOLY LAND OIL, it Assists Digestion and Assimilation, it vitalizes the blood, restores tone and vigor to the whole Nervous System, it gives nerve and Muscular Action to the Lungs, Heart, Stomach and Genitals, and Power of Endurance and Concentration to the Mind, thus curing, Bile, Dropsy, Rheumatism, Indigestion, Liver Complaint, Costiveness, Piles, Sick Headache, Dizziness in the Head, Mental Depression, Nervous Prostration, Bronchitis, Catarrh of the Throat, Whooping Cough, St. Vitus's Dance, Chronic Diarrhea, Fever and Ague, Puffiness of the Feet, Leucorrhoea, any disease brought on by Irregularities of Life, Quinsy, Croup, Erysipelas, etc., etc.

By bathing with HOLY LAND OIL the part of the body affected, it never fails to cure Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headache, Toothache, Earache, Pain in the Neck, Sore Throat, Sudden Cold, Inflammation of the Chest and Bowels, Coughs, Croup, Colic in Children, and all painful Nervous Affections, Sprains, Stiffness and Swelling of the Joints, etc., etc.

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RED PEPPERS FOR CHICKENS. We have found so much benefit from its use that we desire to call attention to it now, in time to sow the seed.

The plant is very pretty when growing, and attains from eighteen inches to two feet in height, and in autumn its bright little red heads looking out from under the rich dark green foliage are very beautiful. The seeds have a stimulating property that is very good for newly hatched chickens, especially if they are weakly; two or three given them have a wonderful effect.

If a moulting hen shows signs of weakness, three or four pods daily in the food will help her greatly.

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Pure fresh water, and plenty of it, daily change of food, cooked and raw, greens, such stuff as cabbage, turnips, or other soft chopped onions, gravel, oyster-shells broken up, old mortar, scraps; in fact anything left from the table may be cooked and given to them rather than be thrown away.

Provide dust baths in the sun where they will be dry, made of good road dust or sand, well mixed with a little sulphur.

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