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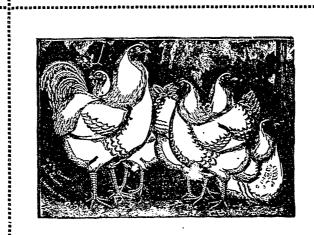


YE MINORCA OF YE OLDEN TYME.

We have seen and heard much controversy as to the origin of the Minorca, and the length of time it has been bred

the pages of a large volume devoted to Anconas, Andalusians, and Minorcas, (Remember

"The Minorca fowl is very common poultry, published in the year 1853, in Devonshire and Cornwall, though namely, The Poultry Book, by the Rev. by no means limited to these counties. W. Wingfield and S. W. Johnson, Esq. In the western part of Cornwall, espec-Illustrated by Harrison Weir. This ially birds of this variety have often book in a chapter devoted to the "His- been valued as first-rate layers, and for tory of the Spanish Fowl," under which some years they formed the one, headtheW. F. B. Spanish, White Spanish, principal stock of our own yards. this was written in



WHITE WYANDOTTES.

A. C. Hawkins,

Lancaster, Mass.

journal going so far as to say that it was nothing but a modern offshoot of the Leghorn, this we think we shall be able to prove to be an entire fallacy.

Through the courtesy of a brother fancier we had the pleasure of perusing | Spanish boundaries."

in the yards of English fanciers, one are classed, has this to say of the Min- 1853, 34 years ago. The italics are "Names also that denote some sub-division of this family strengthen our conclusion; for the Anconas and Minorcas derive their designations from localities that carry us far beyond mere

ours-Editor Review.) The milder temperature of the south of England would offer peculiar advantages to the successful management of these fowls, which for a long period, (mark, a long period, Editor REVIEW,) accustomed to