

BETTER THAN COTTON.

We have recently published a couple of articles showing that tobacco was a better paying crop than cotton, but there is an industry of the farm which, considering the money invested and the labor required, pays better than either cotton or tobacco, although very few farmers realize it. The North Carolina hen, goose and turkey run this branch of the industry, the hen being in the lead.

Gen. Julien S. Carr opened the poultry show at Charlotte with an address on the hen and her co-laborers, from away back down to the present day. It was a lengthy and comprehensive address, but as interesting and instructive for those who take an interest in such matters (or should take an interest in them) as it was lengthy. We quote that part of it which is especially interesting to the North Carolina farmer or dweller in the country, whether farmer or not. Speaking of the industry in this State he said:

"As yet the returns of the census of 1906 are not available, but as far back as 1890, the number in North Carolina of chickens was 7,507,500; turkeys, 197,400; geese, 376,000; ducks, 169,400, and of dozens of eggs, 11,756,000, quoting in round numbers. The total exact number enumerated was 8,250,413. The value of the eggs was \$1,175,500 and the total value, \$3,055,494. But it was well understood from comparison in other lines that, dread of the tax collector, and the want of proper records of the eggs and fowls consumed, had induced an enumeration by the householder far below the reality. We shall see that this estimate is probably much less than half the present value of that interest in our State. Let us note the progress throughout the country.

"In 1885, when about 26,000,000 dozen eggs were sent to New York, their value was about \$9,000,000, or nearly so. According to the reports of the produce exchange about \$16,000,000 was spent in New York, Philadelphia and Boston alone for eggs, and so much more for poultry, making some \$32,000,000 for the three cities. In 1886 our exports were 252,000 dozen eggs, and imports 16,092,000 dozens. But in 1897 the receipts of eggs from the Union in New York had risen to 83,100,000, or more than three times the whole number of twelve years before, the imports had dropped to 500,000 dozen, or one thirty-second, and the exports had risen to 1,300,000, or five times the former export. And this is going on at a rapid rate.

"Not only has the number increased, but the commercial value has greatly advanced. The introduction of canning methods, but more especially the adoption of cold storage, has so steadied the market that destructive plagues in the center are no longer feared. Prices are steadily maintained and constantly tending upward. Well established standards, better care in breeding and management, improved methods for preserving eggs, on the one hand and the large increase of urban population, on the other, have quickened effort, and tendered the better financial returns. Even in bleak Canada a fowl upon an average is expected to produce \$2 a year net profit. Is that so bad, when at the present prices of cotton, our bureau of labor statistics declares that \$3.20 profit is all that is made upon a bale of cotton in North Carolina in the year 1901?"

The State of Missouri, where the poultry raiser has not half the advantages he has in this State, realized last year \$18,000,000 from the eggs and poultry sold, and other Western States, according to reports, have done nearly as well. We have no idea, and we didn't suppose any one has, what money eggs and poultry brought in this State, but it would doubtless sum up into the millions. And yet the hen is appreciated by very few, left to scratch for herself and raise her broods as if she didn't belong to anybody. She is profitable even with this treatment but if properly treated and cared for would be twice as profitable.—Wilmington Star.

CHILDREN ESPECIALLY LIABLE.

Birds, bruises and cuts are extremely painful and if neglected often result in blood poisoning. Children are especially liable to such mishaps because not so careful. As a remedy DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is unequalled. Draws out the fire, stops the pain, soon heals the wound. Beware of counterfeits. Sure cure for piles. "DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured my baby of eczema after two physicians gave her up," writes James Mock, N. Webster, Ind. "The sores were so bad she soiled two to five dresses a day." Plymouth Drug Co. Roper Store Co.

DIED.

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. P. Rice, on Friday night last, Mrs. Elizabeth Johnston, aged 58 years. Mrs. Johnston had been suffering from a bad cold and about 8 o'clock she retired, after having taken a hot lemonade for the cold. In a few minutes Mrs. Rice and her husband heard her fall and going into the room found her lying on the floor, dead. The remains were laid to rest in the M. E. Church yard on Sunday afternoon.

At her home, corner Main and Monroe streets, on Monday morning about 7 o'clock, Mrs. Bertha Martin, aged about 28 years. Mrs. Martin was taken with a throat trouble on Saturday morning, which grew worse until her death, which is supposed to have been from paralysis or lock-jaw. She leaves three little children, a mother, two sisters and three brothers, besides a large circle of friends to mourn her departure.

The BEACON joins the many friends in extending heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved families.

Stops the Cough and works off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents. nov 12-1y

When a man loses his hair he feels that he is getting all balded up.

CHILD WORTH MILLIONS.

"My child is worth millions to me," says Mrs. Mary Bird of Harrisburg, Pa., "yet I would have lost her by croup had I not purchased a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure." One Minute Cough Cure is sure cure for coughs, croup and throat and lung troubles. An absolutely safe cough cure which acts immediately. The youngest child can take it with entire safety. The little ones like the taste and remember how often it helped them. Every family should have a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure handy. At this season especially it may be needed suddenly. Plymouth Drug Co. Roper Store Co.

New Year's resolutions are already being sent back for repairs.

The Best Prescription for Malaria

Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price 50c. nov 12-1y

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Constipation and health never go together. DeWitt's Little Early Risers promote easy action of the bowels without distress. "I have been troubled with constiveness nine years," says J. O. Greene, Depauw, Ind. "I have tried many remedies but Little Early Risers give best results." Plymouth Drug Co. Roper Store Co.

NOTICE.

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of Geo. Wiley, deceased, notice is hereby given to all those having claims against the said estate, to present them within one year from the date hereof, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All those indebted to the said estate, will please make immediate settlement. Nov. 14, 1901.

MOLLIE L. WILEY, Administratrix.

NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Jno. A. Norman, deceased, notice is hereby given to all those having claims against said estate to present them within one year from the date hereof or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All those indebted to the said estate will please make immediate settlement. This Jan'y. 6, 1902.

C. V. NORMAN, Administrator.

Sacrifice Sale

By Trustee.

Beginning on Tuesday, January 14th, I will expose for sale the entire stock of P. W. Brinkley, at

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H. S. WARD, Trustee.

NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Geo. W. Holmes, deceased, notice is hereby given to all those having claims against said estate to present them within one year from the date hereof or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All those indebted to the said estate will please make immediate settlement. This Dec. 19, 1901.

ANNIE HOLMES, Administratrix

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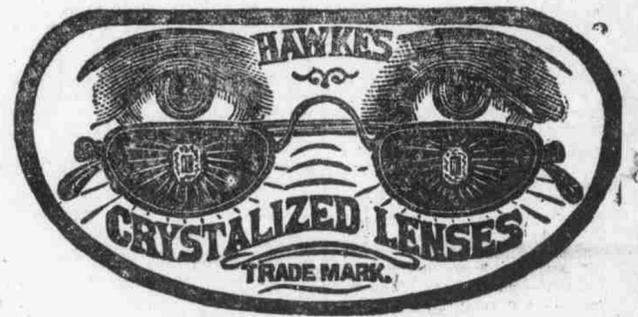
The Board of Commissioners of Washington county will receive sealed bids from any parties desiring to take a contract to build a house to be used as a County Home for the poor, on their next meeting, Feb'y. 3rd, 1902. Contract will be let to lowest responsible bidder, or one who will make his offer responsible by good security.

Specifications as follows: Ground plan 33x66 feet, with 8 feet passage through each way of the building; 8 rooms, 14x14, each ceiled throughout with No 2 ceiling; No. 2 flooring; sills, 8x8, heart; sleepers, 2x8, log run; standing timber, 2x4, 10 feet pitch; 2x4 rafters, well braced; siding, No. 2 lumber, rough; good shingle roof; 16 windows, 10x16 glass; 12 doors, No. 2 white pine; 6 gables; 4 good brick flues from ground up; good brick pillars, 8 feet from centre to centre. All other lumber to be good merchantable lumber. Work to be done in good workmanlike manner. Right reserved to reject any and all bids. No money paid contractor until work accepted by Board. Work to commence at option of Board, probably by 15th of April, 1902. LEVI BLOUNT, Chairman. By order of the Board.



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NOTICE—LAND SALE

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Washington county, made at Dec. Special Term 1901, in the case E. W. Clark vs Harry Sawyer, Emma Sawyer and Dinah Dayenport, the undersigned will sell for cash at the Court House door in Plymouth, N. C., at 12 o'clock on Monday, Feb 3rd, 1902, the following land: A tract of land containing 85 acres more or less, adjoining the lands formerly owned by J. L. Howell, the heirs of Hezekiah Baanight, formerly called the Wm. Goodman and wife land, for full description reference is made to deed from William Davis to Julia E. Dunston, also to deed from Joseph W. Davenport to Geo. Davenport, duly recorded in Book P, page 507, Washington county Registers office. This Jan'y. 2nd, 1902. S. B. SPRULL, Commissioner.

NOTICE.

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of James A. Chesson, deceased, notice is hereby given to all those having claims against the said estate, to present them within one year from the date hereof, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All those indebted to the said estate will please make immediate settlement. Dec. 17, 1901.

COTTIE M. CHESSON, Administratrix.

WALATTA, ILL., NOV. 16, 1901.

Paris Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo. Gentlemen:—We sold last year 600 bottles of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC and have sold it three gross already this year. In all our experience of 14 years, in the drug business, we never sold an article that gave such universal satisfaction as your Tonic. Yours truly, ABBEY, CARR & CO.

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