

ING FOWL.

The Woman's College Poultry Farm has been testing all kinds of Indian Runner ducks, along with its three colors of Orphington chickens. It is our opinion that Runner ducks will outlay any hens that grow if properly fed and managed. The English Penciled duck is the original Runner that was imported from India into England about seventy years ago. In its native heath it laid tinted eggs as well as white ones. It was imported into America about twelve years ago and has become very popular on account of its great laying qualities. The American fanciers seemed to favor a lighter and more solid fawn and white color, and by selecting the lighter and more solid fawn colored ducks as breeders with light colored drakes, free from green on heads, made what was adopted as the American Standard Indian Runner ducks. Some of these lay tinted eggs; yet by selection white egg strains have been made. These ducks breed lighter in color by selecting light colored breeders, until finally an occasional pure white sport was found. These white ones were mated together to make the pure white Indian Runner duck, which is destined to be the most popular of all the duck family for several reasons.

In the first place it is prettier than the English Penciled or the American Fawn and White. White birds are more catchy and taking with the public. They breed truer to color than the Fawn and White or Penciled

Another good quality is the White Runner was never known to lay anything but a beautiful white egg. Some think it is a better layer than either of the other two kinds of Indian Runner ducks, but we find that they lay all about the same when carefully selected as to type. It is significant that our first pen of White ducks and first pen of English Penciled and Fawn and White all laid better than the second or third pens of each kind and all laid about the same. This goes to show that there is much in type that gives laying qualities. In other words, our best show birds were also our best layers. It pays to get one's start from the very best and highest priced pens. If a beginner can't afford to buy high-priced birds then get eggs from the best pens. It is cheapest in the end, for they are best layers, though they all came from the same flock. We grade ours in first, second and third pens.

There is a great future for the White Runner. Just as the White Leghorn has become the leading color of the Leghorn family, so the White Runner will doubtless be the leading color of the Runner ducks. They are higher priced and therefore more profitable. They out lay hens and will live on coarser food, require less housing and less fencing, less cleaning of houses. They have no contagious diseases, such as roupe, cholera, etc. They will figure conspicuously as egg producers in the future of America.-J. W. Beeson, A.M., LL.D., Meridian, Miss.

BROWN LEGHORNS OF TODAY.

A good deal has beeen written recently about the good old-time Brown Leghorns and a great deal that is true has been brought out. The oldtimers were good enough in their day

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WHITE RUNNER DUCKS THE COM- | ment to the skill and scientific breeding of this very popular variety.

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I have been breeding Brown Leghorns, exclusively, for more than twenty years. I started out with the best blood lines I could procure anywhere, and must say that the Brown Leghorn of today, to my mind, is far superior to the old-time Brown Leghorns in every way.

The laying qualties of the Brown Leghorn is more a matter of breeding than anything else. Some few years ago I tried pushing some March-hatched pullets to see how early they would begin to lay. I found that the first one began to lay at four months and ten days of age, the others began about ten days later.

I find that my "Brown Beauty" pullets generally begin to lay at from four and a half months to five months of age when properly handled. I also find that I get many more eggs during the year from the present-day Brown Leghorns than from the old-time kind twenty years ago-we are never without fresh eggs at our house.

It is true that double mating has brought the present-day Brown Leghorns into discredit with some of the old-time fanciers and breeders of Brown Leghorns and has caused a great deal of confusion with amateur breeders, and those who were inclined to hang on to the good old way of mating.

I will admit that it is very much more difficult to produce good specimens of the Brown Leghorns of today than it was the old-time Brown Leghorn of twenty years ago; but the breeder of today who is able to pjroduce specimens of high quality is fully compensated for his labors. as the demand for high-class exhibition Brown Leghorns of today is far greater than the supply and those who are very anxious to make a reputation at the big poultry shows will pay high prices for first prize winner Brown Leghorns of today .--J. H. Henderson, Knoxville, Tenn.

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