CULINERY CONCEITS.

Too much baking powder in a cake will make it "crumbly."

Vegetables that will be done in twenty minutes' boiling will require from thirty to forty minutes if steamed.

Brush the bottom crust of pie with white of egg before putting in the fruit to prevent the juices being absorbed and the crust soggy.

Lettuces that have grown stalky and are useless as salads are a dish fit for a kingdom of kings if steamed and served like cabbages with butter, pepper and salt.

A variation of fried potatoes is obtained by slicing as for French fried, soaking in cold water to extract the starch overnight if possible and rolling in fine corn meal before plunging in deep fat.

Rolls from the bakery should be left in the bag, the top tightly twisted before putting in the oven to heat. For some reason the rolls come out crisper and fresher than when removed from the paper before heating.

When frying doughnuts have a kettle of boiling water on the stove, and as each doughnut is taken from the fat plunge it for a second in the water, then drain. The doughnuts are entirely free from greasy taste or feeling when so treated.

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You have, of course, met girls who, without your knowing anything definite against them, have impressed you as persons to be avoided, but have you also met the girl whom you, as well as everybody else, instinctively likes?

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Little Men and Women.

Treat the children like little men and women. It will do much toward making them men and women. Perpetual frowns, scoldings and fault finding do much toward making them surly, ill-tempered and story tellers. Love rules in every instance. A mother should never be so busy that she cannot listen to her children. If they live to be men and women they will all too soon leave her. She should make the most of them while she has them. She should encourage outdoor exercise or sports and she should not forget to train them with proper regard for their personal appearance. She should never allow them to form such habits as coming to the table in negligee, scratching their nails or their teeth or carrying soiled handkerchiefs about. She should never nag them or forget that they are creatures of reason, not animals that require to be driven, nor should she fail to instill in them a distaste for all that is vulgar.—American Queen.

Utilizing an Old Bureau.

Some genius recently made a pretty hall furniture out of an old mahogany bureau, one of those with hand-carved legs terminating in claw feet. The top and interior, with the exception of the deep bottom drawer, had been removed. This drawer was covered with a hinged lid and served for the seat. The inside of the bureau was neatly finished with panels in which the rejected drawers were mounted, and the whole carefully dressed over and polished. When new handles of colonial design were added to the remaining drawer and the seat piled with gay cushions, an exceedingly attractive settle with a convenient receptacle for wraps and parasols was the result.

Glove Cases.

Glove cases are very useful indeed, serving to keep gloves separate from other things, and if well embroidered they are ornamental as well. Sachets or cases for gloves are preferable to boxes, especially to those who move about a good deal, as they take much less room in packing. A glove case can be made of art linen, Roman satin, silk, etc., and should be long enough to take ordinary four button gloves easily, and if you put a division in it the result will be good. A division is made lengthwise and consists of a double piece of silk used for lining. This permits of the separation of white from colored gloves.

Miss Alice C. Fletcher.

Miss Alice C. Fletcher, now connected with the bureau of ethnology, president of the Anthropological Society of Washington. It was she for several years ago devised a plan of loaning small sums of money to Indians to buy land and build houses for themselves. A lifelong student of aboriginal languages, poetry, music and customs, her latest work on Indian music and poetry will outlive the Indians themselves and give future generations an idea of what their music and poetry were like.—Washington Post.

Efficient Housekeepers Rise Early.

"It often surprises me," said the good housekeeper, "to have a woman say that it doesn't matter if she rises late in the morning because she has plenty of servants to look after things. As if a late mistress did not make a late household! The woman with plenty of servants is just the one who ought to rise early to look after them."

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I wonder, says a correspondent of American Poultry Journal,

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(Concluded.)

Frank and I concluded to spend our honeymoon in Washington. We went off to hunt that beautiful city and see and hear the prominent men we read about. We came up the first day [illegible]

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DUCKS FOR THE MARKET.

The Best Are Those That Have Never Seen a Duck Pond.

"The little ducks that come to market nowadays," said a wholesale dealer in New York, "and even the little ducks that stay at home are as different from the ducks we used to sell four or five years ago as dried figs are as different from the fruit fresh from the vines. It seems an almost unnatural thing to think of a duck without a duck pond, but the fattest and best ducks we sell now never saw a duck pond.

"Duck farming is still a comparatively recent thing, for it is developing along new lines all the time. Experience has taught that ducks allowed only sufficient water to quench the thirst and not a dirty, muddy pond to wallow and swim in are more toothsome for the table and bring higher prices in the market. Where there is a pond there are fish of some sort, and the ducks will eat the fish. That gives their meat a fishy flavor, of which housewives complain.

"There is as much if not more money in raising ducks than in raising chickens, but as it takes more capital to start a duck farm than it does to build a hencoop, there are fewer persons in the business and ducks, unless they have a pond and are allowed to roam at their own sweet will, are more troublesome to take care of than chickens. There is not much variation in the food of a duck fattening for the market. It is fed regularly three times a day, and it gets mash for every meal. Nothing else agrees with a healthy duck like mash. About once a week a little cracked corn is thrown in by way of variety, but the ducks do not seem to care whether it is there or not.

"Breeders have an odd way of getting around the natural craving of ducks for animal food. It takes a long time to cure the kinks of this, and they are very irritable during the process. Breeders make a stew of animal flesh and ground bones mixed and strain off the water. This is mixed with the water given the ducks to drink and also to moisten their bran. The compound gives to their mash a meaty flavor that gratifies their appetite and adds to it a substance that makes them strong.

"In fattening ducks breeders try to make them eat as much as they can. And it is astonishing how much a healthy duck can eat. Some ducks will easily dispose of four pounds of food a day without having indigestion—enough solid material to sustain a good-sized Saint Bernard. If a duck refuses to eat more than enough to satisfy its appetite the breeder thinks it [illegible]

"In a form the ducks are not allowed to mix as they will. They are kept in pens in flocks of fifty or seventy, according to their condition for market. The greatest care must be taken with their bedding. Fresh hay and straw every other night, and at certain seasons of the year every night, is imperative for healthy ducks. They do not sleep in houses like chickens and turkeys, but prefer to huddle together and sleep in the open. But their feet must be kept warm. A duck with cold feet is usually a dead duck.

"The [illegible] returns from handling ducks, as compared with hens' eggs, is ridiculously small. About one-half the eggs sent to hatch are sheer waste. In fact, it does not pay the breeders in New York and New Jersey to [illegible] from eggs they can buy elsewhere. It is cheaper for them to buy and raise young ducks shipped from the west. This industry has become so large that eggs are built specially for the duck trade and then sent along with them how to feed and take care of them."

Care of Turkeys.

I have found that turkeys can be raised with very little care. The cold weather in early spring has been the hardest thing to contend with, one greater losing from eighty down to twenty-five, but she went to extremes in her care of them, keeping them cooped too closely at first and, I think, feeding too heavily. After they commenced to die she turned them out and let them take care of themselves.

I coop mine only three or four days before I turn them out to run in the daytime if it is not too wet, and coop them nights, always getting them in about 5 o'clock, or they will find some good place to hide away from you and run in the wet grass in the morning, and the chances are that you will lose a large per cent. If they are cooped nights and until after the dew is off in the morning and not overfed I think they are as easily raised as chickens, and a turkey's market value is three times that of a chicken's.

Weeks after the turkeys are old enough to run in the field they get their living until cold weather. I have one turkey running in the garden that has never been cooped at all, but there is no wet grass for the turkeys to get doubled in. She has not lost a poult yet, and they are full feathered. She goes back to the same place to roost every night, and I know just where to find her if it happens to be late when I feed her.—Mrs. Charles Jones in Poultry Keeper.

Cleans Out Vermin.

A writer in the Scientific American says he has cleared his premises of vermin by making whitewash yellow with copperas and covering the stones and rafters in the cellar with it. In every crevice in which a rat might go he put the copperas and scattered it in the corners of the floor. The result was a complete disappearance of rats and mice. Since that time not a rat or mouse has been seen near the house. Every spring the cellar is coated with the yellow whitewash as a purifier and a rat exterminator, and no typhoid, dysentery or fever attacks the family.

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WHAT IT MEANS.

One of the Men Who Follow the System Describes Line Breeding.

"What is meant by our best birds or line breeding" is a question asked me very often quite frequently. What is meant by line breeding is where the same strain or family of fowls is bred continually for years without injury to the vigor of the stock or individual specimens. Some readers will remark, I am taking on a proposition my own strain of fowls, the Field White Plymouth Rocks, but I feel I can better explain the matter by doing so than by going some other line bred strain with which I am not well acquainted.

Several great advantages are gained by buying the best birds for your foundation for a flock of birds among those breed, first, you can expect them to produce better offspring than the parent stock, second, you will get a regular layer in the best birds for to breeder would think of breeding hens that were not good, I will say, very decidedly good layers. Third another good reason for buying the best birds is that the strain of a month are more controlled than in specimens bred in the old haphazard way.

To start breeding in line, or better, to start a line bred flock you must secure the best birds which you can possibly afford, and if possible secure for your foundation stock birds that you know are line bred. For example, we will say you have bought a breeding pen of ten females and one male for your foundation stock of Mr. A., who has practiced line breeding for years. You rear this season from this pen several hundred very choice pullets and cockerels. After the birds have matured and you are ready to make up your pens for the coming season select from the for year very best cockerel and mate him to your hens. Select your very best pullets and mate to the cock bird. Reserve some of the remaining cockerels and pullets for fear of your best some of your breeders, also for fear the following season you will want several yards. In that case you will need more females than you now have in your yards, as also a fine male bird. In selecting your breeders always look well to standard requirements, as we to keep improving your flock as you proceed.

The coming season I would suggest as a cheap way to build up your flock but buying hatching eggs or a number of eggs from whom you get your best pens. The chicks from these eggs being bred in line with the birds you already have will produce both male and female which you can use the following season in strengthening your flock or building up certain breeds which you may wish improved. If you feel you need to help from the general stock of your flock do not get the eggs, but take the strongest from the best pens and mate them, the cock bird to the offspring of the cockerel and hens and the two year old cock to the pullets and pullets while the young birds can be raised in as the previous season the following year. The progeny of the old cock bird, this being the last season you can use the old bird owing to age, will mate nicely with anything you have in the flock.

By following up this system of line breeding and mating you can keep your birds under perfect control, so that in one season you can have I have combs or any other special point you desire. Never introduce strange blood into a line bred flock. If you feel you must have some foreign blood in the flock don't. I am sure you will not find this required if you follow the system of line breeding as laid down here buy a male bird and mate him to a few very select hens, selecting a male the coming season from this pen for another special mating, and the third year the offspring will contain enough pure line bred blood in him not to tear down any work you have accomplished in building up your flock.—U. R. Fishel in Poultry Keeper.

Weed Out the Drones.

In every flock of hens there is a certain number of drones, hens which are healthy looking and which eat everything one will feed them. Even during the natural season for laying these hens give one but a few eggs, but eat as ravenously as possible. It is this class of fowls that cut down the profit from the poultry yard. It is estimated that a pullet, one hatched early, will not pay for herself until she is eighteen months old. If this is the case then it naturally follows that she should be carried through another winter in order to make a profit for her owner. The longer we are in the poultry work the firmer is our belief that too much importance is given to the pullet and not enough to the two-year-old hen. Assuming that an April hatched pullet will begin laying in November and lay through until molting time the following August, it is plain it at her next period of laying will be at a time when eggs are high in price and the hen in the best possible condition as to age to produce them. Take good care of the hen that is getting through her first molting season after she has begun to lay, for she is the valuable hen of the flock.—Commercial Poultry.

Scaly Leg.

Scaly legs in fowls is caused by a microscopic insect or parasite. Dipping in kerosene oil will kill them and cure the malady, but care should be taken to do it early in the day, so the fowl may exercise in the open air until it evaporates. It will then do the fowl no harm.

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