

OUR POULTRY DEPARTMENT

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All questions pertaining to poultry answered free of charge in this department. If you require an answer by mail, always enclose stamp Address POULTRY DEPARTMENT, care of AGRICULTURIST, Goldsboro, N. C.

Don'ts For Poultry Keepers.

Don't let coops and runs become foul and ill-smelling and expect chicks to thrive therein. Don't place coops under trees and shrubbery, as plenty of sunlight and air are necessary to their well being.

Don't allow the mother hen to drag her brood around all day, as many chicks suffer from exhaustion.

Don't keep the mother hen cooped all day, but allow a run of a couple of hours at least on fine days.

Don't let the hungry, growing chicks clamor for their breakfast while you wait to "get your morning's work out of the way," feed chicks before breakfast if possible, if not, immediately after.

Don't gorge them one day and starve them the next.

Don't feed all the table scraps to the chicks and you will be pleased with their appreciation of the same.

Don't imagine that a chicken does not need a change of diet because it is a chicken; they appreciate a change of food quite as much as you do.

Don't let lice "get away" with your chicks, while you wonder what ails them.

Don't forget that wet and leaky coops do not tend to produce healthy chickens, but do produce early deaths.

Don't allow chicks to squeeze through slatted coops until their bodies are deformed.

Don't forget that coops with screen fronts, closed at night, are the best and healthiest that can be used for the hen and her brood.

Don't require biddy to pick all her own living because there is plenty of grass and grass-hoppers; add a little grain by way of variety.

Finally—don't forget that poultry keeping requires care and thought, the same as other branches of work, and although poultry can be kept after a fashion with little attention, yet it will be found a very poor fashion and not worth the following.

Exchanging Eggs.

The person who says you are a fool for buying eggs of pure-bred stock, will come along next spring and ask you to "swap aigs" with him. He is mean enough to discourage your attempt to improve, and also mean enough to impose on you after you make the attempt. When a man buys eggs he is buying stock. Eggs can be had at market price, but pure-bred stock is not so easily procured. A man might as well ask you to exchange a Berkshire pig for a long-nosed hand-spike, as ask you to exchange eggs from pure-bred fowls for those from non-descripts. When he asks you to exchange eggs, he really does not want the eggs; what he wants is better stock. Let him pay for his share as you did.

Stray Shots.

You set the hen, but she sits.

The scrub hen for the scrub man.

A \$10 bird would be out of place in the yard of a 10-cent man.

Pure fresh air, and lots of it, is as necessary as food for poultry.

If you tell the man you bought eggs from, that there were ten eggs that "didn't hatch, that were rotten," it is further evidence that you are not posted. "Rotten" eggs are direct evidence that they were fertile when set, and that from some cause incubation had been interfered with and caused the embryo to die. Eggs that are infertile remain perfectly clear, even if they remain under the hen the whole 21 days of her sitting.

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METHODIST CONFERENCE.

GATTIS A WARM SUBJECT.

Action Deferred. Refused Admission to Superannuated Relation.

Fayetteville, N. C., Dec. 4.—The 65th annual session of the North Carolina annual conference convened here this morning at 9:30 in Old Hay Street church. The body was called to order by Bishop Richard K. Hargrove, who conducted the devotional exercises, reading selections from the 44th chapter of Matthew.

The Conference Hymn No. 228, "And are we yet alive, and see each other's face," was sung, after which earnest prayer was offered by the Bishop.

The Bishop requested the secretary of the last conference to call the roll, and 103 ministers and 13 lay delegates answered to their names. Rev. W. L. Cunningham was reelected secretary for the tenth time. Revs. N. H. D. Wilson and Geo. T. Simmons were chosen assistants.

A special committee was appointed to enquire into the financial status of Fifth Street church, Wilmington, and report to the conference. The following is the committee: R. F. Bumpas, Jno. N. Cole and D. H. Tuttle.

Call of question twenty was resumed and the following names of superannuated preachers were called, their characters passed, and names referred for continuance in same relation; W. C. Thomas, J. H. Page, W. C. Davis. When the name of T. J. Gattis was called, his presiding elder moved that the same action be taken as one year ago, that his character be passed, but the fact noted that he was involved in a legal complication with his brethren. This precipitated a warm discussion.

Bishop Hargrove said the matter of Gattis' transfer to the Western Conference was discussed in the cabinet at Gastonia and the brethren said they would deplore the transferring of his troubles to that conference. Rev. Asa J. Parker said there were rumors of perjury on the part of Gattis at the Oxford trial last week in swearing he was absent from the conference room when Dr. Kilgo made his report at Elizabeth City, some years ago, and he therefore moved a special committee to investigate. Dr. Yates said he doubted the expediency of Parker's motion and remarked: "The secular papers are nearly all against us for political purposes." Dr. Yates advocated Dr. Gibbs' motion to pass Gattis' character under the same conditions virtually as one year ago. Rev. G. A. Oglesby doubted if that was the best course to pursue. Rev. D. H. Tuttle said he felt the time had come to settle the matter; some action should be taken at once. He was opposed to passing a member's character conditionally while resting under the shadow of a newspaper reflection or personal insinuation, and closed by urging the appointment of a special committee to consider the case. Revs. F. D. Swindell and John N. Cole favored Dr. Gibbs' motion. Mr. Parker insisted on his motion to investigate the rumors of perjury, but the same was defeated by a vote of sixty-two to forty.

Dr. Gibbs then moved to refer Gattis' name for the superannuated relation, but the conference declined to do this by a vote of forty-nine to thirty-five. The names of Rev. G. A. Oglesby and B. B. Holder were called, their characters passed and both names placed on the effective list again. Mr. Oglesby spoke of the undeserved criticisms of newspapers and individuals heaped upon him for the part he took in the celebrated Clark-Kilgo case and said he had only tried to do his duty in the fear of God.

NELLIE CROPSEY

ALIVE AND WELL, SAYS THE POLICE.

Positive Assurance Given by Norfolk Chief of Police—Will Not Tell All He Knows.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 6.—Chief Vellines, of the Norfolk police, said to-night that he has indisputable evidence that Miss Nellie Cropsey, whose disappearance from her home at Elizabeth City, N. C. caused such a stir, left home voluntarily and is alive and well. He said that he had been tracing the girl for several days and ascertained that she boarded a train on the Seaboard Air Line at Franklin, Va., and arrived at Norfolk Friday morning, November 22. He said that she was not accompanied by any one when she reached Norfolk. He said that she "went on" from Norfolk, but where she went and by what conveyance he would not say.

Chief Vellines, who went to Elizabeth City, returned here this afternoon after seeing a number of persons who had furnished the proof required to establish the facts stated. "You may say," Chief Vellines says, "that I say I know what I have told you is the truth. I can not properly say more, but I consider it is right for me to let it be published and known that the girl is alive and well and was neither murdered nor abducted."

Chief Vellines makes few statements.

Young Wilcox, Miss Cropsey's admirer, was reported to have fled. Advices from Elizabeth City to-night state that he is on a farm five miles in the country, it being deemed prudent that he leave the town for awhile.

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A Poor Way To Treat CATARRH



No one would be so foolish as to kindle the fire on top of a pot to make it boil, yet the treatment of Catarrh is often just as senseless and illogical. Douches, sprays, ointments, so-called tobacco cures, and various other applications, are diligently used, but the little good accomplished is swept away by the first breath of winter. When you attempt to cure a constitutional disease—one affecting the entire system—with purely local remedies, you are applying the fire to the top of the pot, you are doctoring symptoms, and, like thousands of others, get disappointing results. In Chronic Catarrh, the whole system becomes involved; the entire mucous membrane, or inner covering of the body, is in a state of high inflammation. The pressure of blood upon the glands and cells produce excessive secretion of mucus, much of which is absorbed into the blood and distributed to all parts of the body. In this way the stomach, kidneys and intestines are often seriously affected.

The nose, throat and ears are most frequently attacked by this foul disease, because the mucous lining is exposed to the cold, damp air, which attracts the vitiated blood to the surface, causing congestion of the little blood vessels and glands, making breathing difficult and labored; the throat becomes parched and dry; the hot, watery discharge from the nose gradually changes to a yellowish color and becoming more profuse and tenacious, drops back into the throat, causing gagging and almost constant coughing to dislodge it. This offensive discharge, in spite of all precautions, finds its way into the stomach, and extreme nausea and an obstinate form of dyspepsia follow.

Blinding headaches, neuralgia of the eyes and dizziness are also symptoms of this disease, and when the inflammation reaches the delicate mechanism of the ear, hearing is lost, and, as the blood becomes more deeply poisoned, the tissues and soft bones in the head are eaten out, greatly disfiguring the face. At this stage of Catarrh the breath becomes insufferably offensive. S. S. S. is the simplest and most effective treatment for Catarrh, and when taken into the circulation reaches all parts of the system and cleanses the blood of all Catarrhal matter and restores it to a normal condition. When rich, new blood begins to flow through the veins, the obstructed glands and broken down cells resume their natural functions, and the hot and inflamed membranes are lubricated and moistened with a soothing, healing fluid that quickly brings relief to the congested parts. S. S. S. puts the blood in such perfect condition and so strengthens and invigorates the general health that the local manifestations of the disease gradually disappear, the discharge from the nose ceases, the head clears, breathing becomes easy and natural, the appetite improves, and a perfect and permanent cure is effected.

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S. S. S. is the only guaranteed purely vegetable blood purifier. It contains no minerals to further poison the blood and derange the digestion, but can be taken with perfect safety in all stages and forms of Catarrh. Our physicians will gladly advise, without charge, all who write them about their case. Book on Blood and Skin Diseases free.

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FREMONT, - N. C.

What it offers in the way of sites for Homes and Business Houses.

We invite your attention to the auction sale of lots here advertised to come off in the town of Fremont, N. C., on Thursday, January 23, 1902, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Fremont is located on the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad, a section of the great Atlantic Coast Line, in Wayne County, and has a history that is one of steady progress and a future that is in every way most promising. Its citizens are thrifty, intelligent, law-abiding, and progressive; and this is not merely an assertion to boom the town, but is a self-evident fact, in its fine school, its church edifices, its lovely homes, its impressive business houses, its substantial bank, and the general air of modern progress that characterizes the entire community. And when we come to look for the reason of all this—aside from the intrinsic worth of its citizens—we find it in the far-reaching fertile lands, highly cultivated, by which the town is so fortuitously favored. These lands are inexhaustible in productiveness and adapted to all kinds of crops: cotton, tobacco, rice, corn, hay, in fact, everything that mother earth yields to the industry of the farmer.

Fremont is the market town for all this section, its business men and its railroad advantages

A Rare Opportunity for Safe Investment!

Auction Sale of Fine Lots in this Progressive Town, Surrounded by Fertile Farming Lands and Having Excellent Railroad Facilities.

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AT 2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

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Terms of sale Cash; or one-half cash, balance on easy terms with interest on deferred payments.

These lots will be positively sold to the highest bidder at this sale.

Z. D. MUMFORD,

Fremont, N. C.

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There can be no hazard of investment at this sale, and prospective purchasers are invited to visit the town in advance of the sale, study its conditions, view the lots offered and be governed accordingly.

Respectfully,
Z. D. MUMFORD.