FARM NOTES OF INTEREST

POULTRY NOTES

Bantams For the Children

While to some the bantam family may seem to be of but little importance yet they will as a rule pay well for their keep, and there is nothing that will have better influence over the average boy or tend to kkeep him at home and off the street, than a few good looking bantams. If you can not afford to buy the pure-bred stock, get some common ones although I should be tempted to strain a notch and have the good ones, thus training the eye of the boy to detect the good points from the bad. By the time he is grown he will perhaps have cultivated a taste for handling some of the larger fowls, and from the experience gained with the bantams he will be able to make a success of them from the start. It needs no argument of mine to convince you that it is a hundred times better to encourage the children to stay at home where you know what kind of company they have than to allow them to run wild. Nothing will come nearer accomplishing this than ownership of pets of some kind. In the bantam besides serving this purpose you have the benefit of the eggs, and you would be surprised if you have never had any experience with them how many eggs you wil get during the year from a few little old bantam hens, as they are commonly termed. There are twenty varieties of bantams. Seventeen of them are called ornamental bantams and include such as Sebrights, White and Black Rose Comb and the more common Cochin and Brahma bantams. The game bantams include one for each variety of the large or standard games. Of the whole lit, the Cochin Bantam is undoubtedly the most profitable for a boy to handle. They are hady and consequently easy to raise. They are quiet and tame so that they are not dificult to handle. They lay perhaps the largest egg, according to their weight, of any fowl we have. In fact a dozen Cochin Bantam eggs are not to be laughed at for bulk. The Black Breasted Red Game Bantam is the most aristoratic of the bantam tribe and there is more money changed hands for them each year in this country and Europe than there is for all the rest of the bantam class put together. As high as $150 is frequently paid for a single cock or hen. But they are quite hard to raise, and it is for that very reason. They are kept and inbred so much to secure the fine standard points that it has weakened their vitality to a considerable extent. Not so with the Cochins. They seem to carry their vitalty with them at all times and under all conditions, and are always ready for squre mel from the boy's hnd.

THE DUST BATH

The housewife is often heard to remark that she wonders why the chickens always select her fine mel low flower bed to do their wallowing in. Why don't they go to the fields?" The truth of the matter is that her flower bed is the finest and nearest approach to dust of anything within their reach. The hens are about to overrun with lice and mites and nature tells her that she must fill her feathers with something of a dust nature that will smother them out. There is nothing that is cheap that is half as efficient as good fine road dust It should be dust, pure dust, and not sand the kind that gets up and dusts everything in reach when the wagons roll over it. That is the kind your hens need for the purpose. When the roads become thorqughly dry and dustry and in the middle of the day at that, take your wagon or wheelbarrow and shovel and lay in a supply. Not only for immediate use, for they are needing it badly at this time but lay up a winter's supply against the time when the roads are in such a condition that it can not be secured. Store it in dry barrels placed under shelter and up from the ground so that the moisture can not pass up into it and destroy its unsfulness by making it damp. In fixing it for use, put it into roomy boxes about 20 inches square and 10 inches high. Fill them about half full of the dust. place upon the floor in your chicken house or other shelter. If they can not be placed upon a floor, raise them slightly off the ground so the air may pass under the box to prevent dampness. Good dust boxes kept well supplied will be half the battle won against these ever-present pests. About a quart of fine sifted wood ashes added to each box will increase its efficancy in smothering them out.

Do not attemppt to use the ashes without sifting, as the charcoal it contains is very annoying to the hen and she will not use it half as freely as she otherwise would. Do not depend upon the dust to take care of the pests if they have gotten a good start and have filled the cracks and crevices of your poultry house from top to bottom and covered the hens as well. They will breed and increase faster than the hens can smother them out. It will be your duty then to kerosene the roosts and house. Dusting the hens with some good, strong lice powders will clean them out right at the start.—Southern Ruralist.

This is the time of year when the method of curing meat by use of ice is most valuable. We are receiving many requests for thedetai ls of our method and so gladly repeat them.

Kill the hoggs whenever they are ready to kill. When it is no longer profitable to feed them, stop.

Kill them irrespective of weather. We once killed and successfully cured twenty with the thermoneter at 84 degrees.

Let carcasses hand one night. Cut up in the usual way in the morning. Have one pound of ice for every pound of meat. Break ice into pieces of from one t three pounds in wweight

Use a large packing box or build a bin in end of smoke house. Pack meat and ice in alternate layers with out salt.

Cover with blankets or heavy paper and leave till ice is all melted. Then the animal heat will all be out of the meat. Salt and smoke in the usual way. In principle this is the same as the process used by the large packing houses whose success is due simply to the chilling of the meat.

We are constantly asked, how to protect cabbage against worms?

There is a widespread but groundless prejudice against the use of poison. This is founded on ignorance of the method of growth of the cabbage plant.

The head grows from the inside. Therefore, poison appplied to the out side leavess never reaches the outside part of the plant.

Paris green sprayed or sprinkled on the plants when they are wet with dew is perfect protection against worms and all eating insects.

One-half ounce of Paris green mixed with one pound of cheap flour and sprinkled on through a piece of gunny sack is simply and effective. Of course refuse leaves must not be fed to stock unless washed free of the poison.

No special crop is today receiving so much of what may be called advertising attention as the pecan.

There are hundreds of people looking for reliable information. We would be glad if some one would send us an actual book account with five consecutive yearsETAIETAOINO a bearing pecan orchard, covering five consecutive years. All trees in the orchard should be included and the credit side should present only commercial sales actually made—of nuts alone.

What will the weather be? At this season this question is one of the most constant and important on most farms. It is repeated at almst everyy breakfast table.

Singularly enougg, that is the place where the simplest, most reasonable most reliable answer to the question can be obtained.

Every cup of coffee used is an almost infallible barometer or weather forecaster.

Here is the fact: Dropp your sugar into your hot coffee suddenly and immediately stir. Bubbles will instantly rise to the surface. Stop stirring and these bubbles will float on the surface. If they gather in the center of the cup the weather will probably remain or become, fair during the day. If they gradually float to the rim of the cup the weather will change to rain.

At first this seems improbable, but just try it a few times. It comes as near being correct as the average official forecast, and it is at hand when most needed.

There is really, scientific reason involved. Bubbles of air are extremely sensitive to atmospherc pressure; the center of the cup is hotter than the outer edge.

Try it!—Southern Ruralist.

THOSE PIES OF BOYHOOD

How delicious were the pies of boyhood. No pies now ever taste so good, what's changed? the pies? No. Its you. You've lost the strong, healthy stomach, the vigorous liver. the active kidneys, the regular bowels of boyhood. Your digestion is poor and you blame the food. What's needed? A complete toning up by Electric Bitters of all organs of digestion, stomach; liver, kidneys; bowels—try them They'll restore your boyhood appetite and appreciation of food and fairly saturate your body with new health, strength and vigor. 50c at the Standard Drug Co.

GARDEN NOTES

I am keeping the side shoots pinched from my tomato plants, which are now setting fruit. There is a six-foot stake by each plant, and the single stem will be tied up to this. Last year in my old garden there was a pigeon fly enclosed with chicken wire. I kept no pigeons, and used the fly for tomatoes trained up on the wire. I had plants there thirteen feet high, and had to get the tomatoes from a stepladder, and they bore till frost.

But I always look out for failure of the early plants in late summer and have now a lot of plants from seed sown in the open ground, which I will plant out after some early crop is off so that if the early ones fail, I will have plants to succeed them, and keep up the supply of tomatoes till frost comes again.

While the bush lima beans are hardy and early, they can not take the place of the climbing ones in production. I grow some of both, the bush ones for earliness and the climbing ones for main crop. Then the large lima are not productive in the South, while the small lima, or Sieva is productive and to my taste. better for eating than the large lima. These too, I grow on the chicken wire netting.

PROF. MATHEWS

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It has recently been discovered that many women who believe they are suffering with diseases peculiar to their sex have nothing else but kidney trouble or the results of kidney and bladder diseases. Thousands of women suffer from kidney trouble and never know it. When the kidneys are not in a healthy condition, they often cause the other organs to become diseased, and you become nervous, irritable and often despondent.

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SCHEDULE OF PASSENGER TRAIN of

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Norfolk and Southern Railroad Summer schedule change Pulman Sleeping car trains between Norfolk and Raleigh effective Sunday June 5th.

No. 1:—Daily Night Express; leave Elizabeth City 11:48 pm., leave Edenton 1:05 am; arrive Washington 3:15 am.; arrive Greenville 4:17 am arrive Wilson 5:41 am; arrive Raleigh, Union Station 7:55 am. Connects at Wilson with A. C. L. R. R., North and South. Connectss at Raleigh with Southern Ry., for Durham, Chapel Hill and Greensboro. Connects at Raleigh with R & S. P. Ry. for Fayetteville.

No. 3:—Daily, except Sunday, leaves Elizabeth City 6:48 pm; arrives Edenton 7:55 pm.

No. 5:—Daily, leave Elizabeth City 11:33 am; leave Edenton 12:50 pm; for Washington, Goldsboro, Beaufort and intermediate stations. Connects at Washington, daily except Sunday, for Greenville, Wilson and Raleigh. Connects at Mackeys Ferry, daily except Sunday, for Columbia and Belhaven.

No. 2:—Daily, leave Edenton 1:00 p m. leave Elizabeth City 2:10 pm; arrive Norfolk 3:55 pm.

No. 4:—Daily, except Sunday, leave Edenton 7:55 am, leave Elizabeth City 9:05 am. arrive Norfolk 10:50 am.

No. 6:—Daily, night express, leave Edenton 3:50 am; leave E. City 4:55 am, arrive Norfolk 6:45 am.

No. 100: Daily except Sundayy, motor car, leave Edenton 7:00 am; arrive Suffolk 9:30 am.

No. 124 Tues; Thrs; Sat. leave Edenton 2:25 pm; arrive Suffolk 7:05 pm.

No. 120 Mon; Wed; Fri; leave Elizabeth City at 3:15 pm; arrive Suffolk 7:05 pm.

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Mrs. Mollie McRaney, Prentiss, Miss writes that she had a severe case of kidney and bladder trouble, and that four bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy cured her sound and well. She closes her letter by saying: "I heartily recommend Foley's Kidney Remedy to any sufferer of kidney disease. It saved my life.—Brown's Pharmacy

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4:35 p. m.	Lv.	Henderson, Sal. Ry.	Ar.	1:28 p. m.
5:10 p. m.	Lv.	Fayetteville, R. & S. Ry.	Ar.	11:00 a. m.
9:00 p. m.	Lv.	Raleigh, Union Sta.	Ar.	7:55 a. m.
11:10 p. m.	Lv.	Wilson,	Ar.	5:41 a. m.
7:00 p: m.	Lv.	Wilmington, via Wilson	Ar.	9;35 a. m.
7:30 p. m.	Lv.	New Bern, via Goldsboro	A.	9:16 a. m.
8:45 p. m.	Lv.	Kinston, via Goldsboro	Ar.	8:07 a. m.
10:10 p. m.	Lv.	Goldsboro via Wilson	Ar.	6:40 a. m.
12:30 a. m.	Lv.	Greensville	Ar.	4:18 a. m.
1:35 a. m.	Lv.	Washington	Ar.	3:35 a. m.
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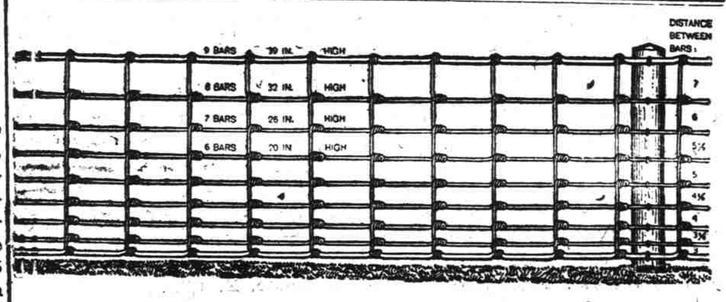

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