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The products of the farm average two ered with the water and suffocated. These and shook the glass out of the window. hundred tons of hay yearly. This year bones are just what it was expected to Then he nailed up the door, sat down and two thousand two hundred bushels of find. The Rudisill mine, although old felt like he had conquered a nation. corn were raised on twenty acres, beside several acres to fodder fed to cows in the fall, Oats and roots of various kinds are that it was almost impossible to keep who was so particular. Thompson asked largely raised.—Rutland (Vt.) Herald.

### EGGS IN WINTER.

eggs and a plenty of them. The opinion is very common that hens must needs suspend payment when the weather becomes their bodies.—Charlotte Observer. severe, but this is not at all a matter of necessity. They will lay as readily from the 1st of January onward as at any time in the year, provided they are properly cared for. The eggs are in them, in embryo, and all that is needed to secure their constant deposit in the nest is to pay suitable attention to the hens that have the

1. The first essential is a warm shelter. If hens are left to spend their days in the snow and to roost at night on the teres or in any exposed situation, it will be the next thing to a miracle if they lay eggs. resisting the cold; they will have none

droppings.

fed, and with the right kind of food. Alwheat or oats, will answer for their daily Agriculturist. bread, although it is better to vary these staples occasionally, for no one likes to be meat from the butchers' stalls, or the poor- every day." er parts of the butchers' meat, or the scraps from the table,-almost any animal food,should be given to them in liberal quantities every day or two. This goes dias well as by the bred of fowls. For this weight," reason we would not feed hens on fish, in the fear, at least, that the eggs, like the will be stimulated by the heat they impart. Fowls are much better in very cold weather for some hot feed. Hot buckwheat

morning, and at night a feed of grain of

day without it. Icewater or snow will not

supply this want. 4. Material for shells. They must have ial for shells to their eggs. It is a bad ed his office he determined to keep the that have been used, unless broken so fine currents of air that might enter. as not to be recognized by the fowls, as When the fire in the room had about they may learn to eat their own eggs. If heated up the room, and Thompson was they have access to open ground they will fairly sunk into the late dispatches in the pick up lime for their own use in manu- morning paper, some one entered and as facturing the eggs, but otherwise they usual left the door open. should be supplied with broken bones, oyster shells, or lime in some other form. By attention to these particulars, any

other time of the year. THE BOTTOM OF THE RUDISILL MINE-EXCAVATING SKELETONS-GATHERING UP the summons. THE BONES .- For the last two months, the lesses of the Rudisill mine have been en-

water was 175 feet deep. Already many curious things have been excavated. The result of yesterday's excavations, however, produced the greatest open and said slowly : New York, no doubt competing, as far as sensation yet. After making their way he may, with Bonner and other horse fan- down into the mud some distance, the to eat." miners discovered what was known to be the last ladder, or the one which rested on shut the door!" Brick from the old Baptist church, bought the bottom of the lowest shaft. A few by Mr. Evarts, furnished materials for the feet down this, the bones of a man's arm I'll go out in a minute." walls of a new and 'convenient piggery, were found. They were lying against the and the interior was finished with due re- ladder, parallel to each other, with the door." small or wrist end turned upwards. The comfort of the inmates. One breeding position of the bones immediately suggest- no effort to shut the door. ed the idea that the individual who once Thompson could stand it no longer. gloried in the possession of them, had Jumping up from his seat, he gave the started up the ladder, when he was cov- door a gentle shove which broke the lock danger attending the work of excavating the door was open. the eventful day came and, as usual with leaned forward, "suppose some day you comforts of the table in winter than fresh negro men who were laboring in the low- bars for a window; you hear merry voices

### THE VALUE OF ICE.

Ice has become so important in the manufacture of the best butter, and in the preservation of fruits, vegetables and meats in the summer, that no farmer can afford to be without it. With a good icehouse, well filled, he can put his perishable products into the home market in first rate condition, and sell on the top of the market. Much of the material for family consumption inevitably spoils for want of All their resources will be exhausted in ice. Fruits become stale, milk sours, meats are tainted, butter grows rancid, left to spend in producing eggs. A good than and these losses united cost much more hen house should be provided, with a warm | the labor of gathering and storing the ice. southern exposure and sheltered from the It not infrequently happens that the first wintry blasts. A glazed window facing of the season is not only the best, but the the south, or more than one, should be only opportunity for securing a supply. given them, to let in light in days that December ice is generally more transparnary be dark and stormy, or when it is too ent and solid than that which forms later cold for them to venture out. They should with partially melted snow upon the surnot be confined to the hen-house during face. The short crop of last season was Paper. the day, but will be much better off with owing mainly to the neglect of the Decemair and exercise outside of their night ber harvest. Good ice might have been Josephus, relative to the wickedness of 2. Cleanliness is another requisite. ing for thicker ice, which in many places was besieged by the Romans-"That time Their quarters should be kept free from did not come at all. This was a good abounded with all manner of iniquity, so the vermin that annoy fowls, and this can thing for the icemen of Maine, but rather that none was left undone. Yea, though be done only by the exercise of care and expensive for the multitudes further south, one endeavored to invent some new villabor. The hen-house should be thorough- who usually depend upon the home sup- lainy, yet could be invent none that was ly whitewashed internally with lime, as ply. Farmers, we are glad to know, are not then practiced." one of the best preventives to the approch | getting more in the habit of using ice, of insects. The hens should have access and find it a profitable crop to gather. In Sanveur, the French mathematician. to a bed of dry ashes or earth, or a mix- the single item of manufacturing and pre- when he was about to court his mistress. ture of the two is still better. This is not serving butter, it would save millions of would not see her, till he had been with a opposed to cleanliness, for pure earth and dollars to the country. More than half notary, to have the conditions on which ashes are clean in the eyes of the feather- the butter sent to the large markets is of he intended to insist reduced into a writed Tibe, and are a protection against what the lower grades, and has to be sold at a ten form; for the sight of her should not Board by the Day, \$2.00. to them is real dirt. They should be not discount of 25 to 50 per cent. With a bet- leave him enough master of himself. Like allowed to scratch or wallow in their own ter preservation of the milk and cream, a true mathematician, he proceeded by such as ice would furnish, and nicer meth- rule and line, and made his calculation 3. Meat and drink. They must be well ods of making and storing, and sending to when his head was cool. market, this immense loss might be saved most any kind of grain, corn, wheat, buck- to the farmers of the country .- American

The Western Rural has the following : confined to precisely the same diet year "What do you think of an unbroken furin and year out. But something more row, six miles long? That is what you than the best of grain is needed for the can see any day by going to Elm River, manufacture of eggs. Hens will not lay Cal., where Messrs. Dalrymple and Granwithout some form of animal food. If din are breaking prairie. The teams they could have access to the grasshop- start in the morning and make one round pers, as in summer, they would require across an entire township and back (12) nething else, but in the winter they re- miles) before dinner, and the same in the quire some kind of meat. The refuse afternoon, 24 miles' travel for each team counties, Georgia, was killed a few days trouble of writing. Full particulars, sam-

## MISCELLANEOUS.

The country grocer said to a farmer: rectly to the composition of the eggs, and "Here, my friend, those balls of butter I without such food eggs will be scarce and bought of you last week all proved to be without flavor. It is erroneous idea that just three ounces short of a pound." And there is no difference in the quality of the farmer innocently answered: "Well, eggs, even from the same fowls. The I don't know how that could be; for I used quality and flavor are effected by the food one of your pound-bars of soap for a

flesh of fowls, might become fishy. Hens that one of his lamps did not burn. One back of one of the cows and remaining should also have some green vegetable of his shopmates, who is a genuine son of there during the night, having discovered food Cabbage leaves may be thrown to the Emerald Isle, with astonishment exthem, whole or chopped up. Hot roast claimed, "Faith, and what do you want potatoes will be eaten with avidity, and of two lamps? Ye haven't but one eye!"

is the following: "If thou wilt eat twelve been cut weighed 1,110 pounds, and had cakes are capital food for hens when the unripe apples just before retiring at night, object is to fatten them, but not so good I will do the same, and we shall see who for eggs. Give the hens soft food in the survives."

some kind, which they may grind up at In Paris, Ky., a few days ago, a turkey lessure in the night. They should have a was killed which when dressed weighed fresh supply of clean, tepid water in the thirty-five pounds. The liver, heart and morning, and should never be left a single I gizzard weighed four pounds.

KEEPING THE DOOR SHUT.

Old man Thompson took on a fresh supaccess to lime in some form as the mater- ply of cold yesterday, and when he reachplan to feed out the broken shells of eggs door shut and thus keep aloof from cold

"Shut the door, you idiot; were you born in a saw mill!" he yelled. The fellow went back and gave the door

family with a score of good hens may look a slam that astonished the key hole. for a large supply of fresh eggs through By and by the boy came in with wood the winter months as confidently as at any for the fire. Of course he left the door

"Shut that door!"

The next comer was an old man whose hair was silvered and his form bent. He gaged in pumping it out. They have at was on a begging expedition, and when he last succeeded in reaching bottom. The came in he left the door open wide enough

The boy dropped his wood and obeyed

to let in a cyclone. "Shut the door!" howled Thompson. The old man paused, and kept the door

"I'm a poor old man without a crumb

"Don't care who the devil you are-

"Don't speak so harsh to an old man-"Either come in or go out-but shut the

The old man studied a little but made

and productive, and always been worked The old man then wanted to go out. with much difficulty, owing to the fact He said he didn't want to stay with a man water out of it. Many were aware of the him why the dickens he didn't go out when

the ore, but the mine was paying well and "See here," said the beggar, as he claspgood prices were given for labor. Finally ed both hands on the head of his stick and such catastrophes, unexpectedly. Two are put in a room and that room has iron est shaft perished. The mine filled up so from without; you feel the damp, gloomy rapidly that it was impossible to rescue air of night stealing on, and know that the door is shut and in that damp air you will sleep during the night. Do you think you will be sternly yelling 'shut the door' and endeavoring to fasten it more se-

Thompson laid down his paper and be-

"Suppose," resumed the old man, "that the door was locked with a patent key; that you receive a message from your family saying one of your children is dying; that your wife is sinking beneath the grief and needed your presence at her bed side! Would you cry out 'shut the door' when the jailer came around."

Thompson arose, prized open the door and when he pressed a dollar bill in the old man's hand as he was going out, was too deeply affected to hear the old villain

Thompson is negotiating for a seat springs, by which he expects to keep his door hermetically sealed .- Bridges Smith's N. C.

Remarkable is the following passage of gathered then, but everybody was wait- his countryman before Jerusalem was

A fond mother was in the act of cutting the pie for dinner, and proceeded to "count noses," as she termed it, that each might get his or her share, when a suggestion was made by her young female hopeful that the parent "count eyes," thinking that if the amendment was carried, two pieces of pie would be allotted and a proportional sum by devoting their to each of the feasters instead of one

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