

Practical Poultry Talks

How To Start With Pure Bred Poultry.

How To Build The Hen House.

M. T. P. Harnett county, N. C., writes: "1) Will you tell us the best way to start the poultry business on a small scale?"

1. There are two ways of starting in the poultry business on a small scale—one is to start with a setting or ten of pure-bred eggs the first year and building your flock from that; and the other is to start in the early spring with a trio (two females and one male), or a pen (four females and one male).

2. If you start with a trio or pen, one roll of two-inch wire netting, five feet high, would make a yard large enough for the first year. Put posts twelve feet apart and around base of posts nail a ten-inch wide board. Tack wire to base board and posts, but do not put any strip at top of wire as it is an inducement for the fowls to fly over.

As you will not want to build a new house every year, would advise on the start building a house 10x12; this will accommodate nicely twenty-five grown chickens. Build this in the center of the yard so that the birds cannot mount the roof and fly over.

3. Your 75 or 100 mongrels can be improved in their egg-laying qualities by feeding them liberally in the morning with a warm mash composed of bran, shorts and corn meal with cut clover or peavine hay well scalded, wheat and boiled oats at noon and corn at night, and twice or three times a week about an ounce to a line of green ground bone, or some prepared meat scrap; with such a ration they will lay more than enough extra eggs to pay for the trouble.

4, 5. As a best breed of pure-bred poultry to keep, I know of no better breed. They are all good. It all depends on how you look at it. If you want a general purpose fowl, something for large meat and fair amount of eggs, winter and summer, then any of the larger breeds will fill the bill—Plymouth Rocks, Barred, White, Buff, Wyandottes, White, Golden, Silver Columbian, or Black. These will lay well, averaging from 150 to 200 eggs per year; weight, from eight to ten pounds when grown; make excellent broilers and are good setters and mothers.

But if you are more for eggs than an all-pure fowl, then any of the smaller breeds will do, such as Leghorns, White, Brown, Buff and Black Minorcas, White and Black Houdans, and Hamburgs; these lay a few more eggs than the larger breeds, but are not so large. Nine White Wyandotte eggs will weigh as much as one dozen Leghorn; but as eggs are not sold by the pound, it doesn't make much difference; occasionally one will get broody, but only for a day or two, and it would be useless to try and set one. With proper feed and care, they will lay nine months out of the twelve.

The main effect is to start right, get the best fowls or eggs money can buy, and from a breeder who has a reputation for a good line of bred stock. You would not buy a scrub Jersey cow for a milker, or a scrub blooded horse for a racer and expect to win. The same rule applies to pure-bred birds.

A Safe Cough Medicine for Children. In buying a cough medicine for children never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it and relief is always sure to follow. It is especially valuable for colds, croup and whooping cough. For sale by C. N. Simpson, Jr., and S. J. Welsh.

Race Problem has got itself in print again. "Dat's one problem," says Brother Dickey, "dat walks an' talks in its sleep!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Pleasant and Harmless. Don't drug the stomach to cure a cough. One Minute Cough Cure cuts the mucus, draws the inflammation out of the throat, lungs and bronchial tubes, heals, soothes and cures. A quick cure for croup and whooping cough. Sold by English Drug Co. and S. J. Welsh.

SUMMER COLDS Produce Chronic Catarrh.



Mrs. Henriette C. Olberg, superintendent of the Omaha Exhibition, writes from Albert Lea, Minn., as follows: "This spring I contracted an aggravating cold, having been exposed to the damp weather. Catarrh of my throat and head followed, which persisted in remaining, notwithstanding I applied the usual remedies."

Reading of the merits of Peruna in the papers, I decided to try it and soon found that all that had been said of your medicine in such cases is true. "I am very pleased with the satisfactory results obtained from using Peruna, an entirely well, and consider it a most valuable family medicine."

Address The Peruna Medicine Company, Columbus, Ohio, for a free book entitled "Summer Catarrh," which treats of the catarrhal diseases peculiar to summer.

Startling Mortality. Statistics show startling mortality from appendicitis and peritonitis. To prevent and cure these awful diseases there is just one reliable remedy, Dr. King's New Life Pills. M. Flannery of 14 Custom House Pl. Chicago says: "They have no equal for constipation and biliousness." 25c at English Drug Co.'s.

By the Tonic Route. The pills that act as a tonic and not as a drastic purge are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They cure headache, constipation, biliousness, etc. Early Risers are small, easy to take and easy to act—a safe pill. Mack Hamilton, hotel clerk at Valley City, N. D., says: "Two bottles cured me of chronic constipation." Sold by English Drug Co. and S. J. Welsh.

A Dinner Invitation. After a hearty meal a dose of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will prevent an attack of indigestion. Kodol is a thorough digestant and a guaranteed cure for indigestion, dyspepsia, gas on the stomach, sour risings, bad breath and all stomach troubles. N. Watkins, Leebus, Ky., says: "I can testify to the efficacy of Kodol in the cure of stomach trouble. I was afflicted with stomach trouble for 15 years and have taken six bottles of your Kodol Dyspepsia Cure, which has entirely cured me. The six bottles were worth \$300 to me." Sold by English Drug Co. and S. J. Welsh.

For an Impaired Appetite. Loss of appetite always results from faulty digestion. All that is needed is a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will invigorate the stomach, strengthen the digestion and give you an appetite like a wolf. These tablets also act as a gentle laxative. For sale by C. N. Simpson, Jr., and S. J. Welsh.

Gold and Silver Lost. In trying to economize in buying your Meats. What is to my customers' interest is to my interest.

I Buy Only The Very Best and healthiest cows, sheep and hogs for the Market. Such stuff as is not fit for my market is often sold otherwise. Unwholesome food will cause sickness and sickness costs money—so buy your Meats from Parker's Market, where everything is guaranteed.

Mr. Bagby Writes of Rev. Mr. Bradley's Case.

Rev. W. M. Bagby writes the following letter to the Charlotte Observer of the 10th: "Suspend harsh judgment on Rev. F. W. Bradley. I have known him for thirty years and have always found him to be one of the best men I have ever known. He has been preaching the gospel at a financial sacrifice for many years. He has good property and has drawn from his own private resources every year that he has been in the ministry, except last year. He is very successful in the ministry. One hundred and twenty-three on profession of faith were received on the Monroe circuit last year by him. The following brethren were called in consultation with Rev. J. Ed. Thompson, the presiding elder of Charlotte district: Rev. Messrs. W. R. Ware, M. A. Smith, L. E. Stacy, M. T. Steele and W. M. Bagby, and here is what they say of him: 'While Bro. Bradley has violated the letter of the law, with the lights before us we do not believe that he has violated the spirit of the law. We believe him to be a good and consecrated man, thoroughly devoted to the work of the ministry.'

"Miss Minnie Lowery, now Mrs. F. W. Bradley, proves as good a character as anybody. Bro. J. R. Duni and scores of others of the best men in Anson county say that no one stands better morally. She was organist and Sunday school teacher in her home church.

"Mr. H. H. Smith, Mrs. Bradley's former husband, is now serving a second term of fifteen years in the penitentiary for burning a house. The register of deeds of Anson county says that he knows H. H. Smith to be a very bad man, and exceedingly lewd and base. Mr. McLendon, the attorney of Mrs. Smith, now Mrs. Bradley, who managed the suit when she sued for a divorce, testified that Smith admitted to him that he frequented houses of ill fame and that he was guilty of adultery. He acknowledged the same to his wife. In the bill of complaint the adultery clause was included, but was dropped because of the miserable distinction between man and woman, but many acts need not condemn the man, which distinction was blotted out by our last legislature, thank God. I am ashamed that any such law was ever enacted in North Carolina.

"How came such a man to marry so sweet and pure a woman? Smith at that time was playing the role of an editor and claimed to be preparing for the ministry and in this way deceived the woman.

"Bro. Bradley has not been tried. The committee only decided that a trial was necessary. Upon what ground that committee reached the conclusion that a trial was necessary I could not understand nor am I now able to understand. Bro. Bradley is well and happily married and that marriage is legal and scriptural. He will be acquitted at the next session of the Western North Carolina conference.

"I wish Willie Saphed would hurry up his proposal." "But you aren't going to accept him?" "I know it. I want him to propose so I can get rid of him."—Houston Post.

If taken this month, keeps you well all summer. It makes the little ones eat, sleep and grow. A spring tonic for the whole family. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, 35c, tea or tablets. Eng. Drug Co.

Miss Gettington—Mr. Batchelor, tell me—why did you never marry? Mr. Batchelor—Well, madam, I kept a parrot for six weeks once just to see how it would be. I decided I could never stand it—Cleveland Leader.

A Destructive Fire. To draw the fire out of a burn or heal a cut without leaving a scar, use DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A specific for piles. Get the genuine. J. A. Tucker, editor of the Harmonizer, Centre, Ala., writes: "I have used DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve in my family for piles, cuts and burns. It is the best salve on the market. Every family should keep it on hand." Sold by English Drug Co. and S. J. Welsh.

The Colonel's Waterloo. Col. Jno. M. Fuller of Honey Grove, Tex., nearly met his Waterloo from liver and kidney trouble. In a recent letter he says: "I was nearly dead of these complaints, and although I tried my family doctor he did me no good; so I got a 50c bottle of your great Electric Bitters, which cured me. I consider it the best medicine on earth and thank God who gave you the knowledge to make them." Sold and guaranteed to cure dyspepsia, biliousness and kidney disease by English Drug Co. at 50c a bottle.

The Jersey Cow at Home.

R. W. Gow in Country Gentleman.

The Island of Jersey, in the English Channel, between France and England, is the home of the Jersey cow, but the origin of these cattle is unknown. Before the beginning of the nineteenth century the characteristics of Jersey cattle were pronounced, and were generally recognized, especially in their adaptability for butter-making. The people of Jersey evidently decided, many years ago, that they were in possession of a valuable breed of cattle, for in 1789 their legislature passed an act prohibiting the importation of foreign bred cattle, imposing a heavy fine in money for any breach of this law, as well as forfeiture of the vessel employed, and providing for a fine on every member of the ship's crew who should fail to notify the authorities of any attempt to evade the law. Subsequent laws have been equally stringent, and no cattle are imported into the Island of Jersey, except those intended for immediate slaughter. In 1834, efforts to improve the breed were begun in Jersey, by the Jersey Agricultural Society. A scale of points was drawn up to guide in the selection of animals for breeding purposes. The great principal aim of the Island of Jersey breeders had always been a good yield of butter, and from the time mentioned above there has been, combined with this, considerable attention paid to conformation and general beauty. Jersey cattle have always possessed the deer-like head and limbs, the fine crumpled horns, the yellow skin, large, soft eyes, lean throat and neck, light proportions and fine tail; but above all else, they have attracted notice for their large and well-formed udders and prominent milk veins. In color they are of various shades of soft fawn, from red to silvery, with more or less white.

The Jersey farmer tries to have his cows calve during the first three months of the year. They are housed at night during the winter, being brought in about four o'clock in the afternoon, when they are milked, each receiving about three-quarters of a bushel of roots and some hay. At eight o'clock a bundle of straw is given to each. In the morning they are milked and fed about six o'clock, again receiving the same allowance of roots and hay, and at nine are turned out to pasture. Farmers endeavor to dry their cows about a month or six weeks before calving. Bran mashes are given them about the time of calving and for a fortnight thereafter, the only time this food is used.

The bull calves intended for veal are fed the milk of their dams for about six weeks. Heifer calves are always reared. About two weeks after calving, the cows are turned out on grass during the daytime, if the weather be fine, the general custom being to tether them. About every three hours they are moved and tethered in a fresh spot. They are watered in the morning and also at noon, and in warm weather again at evening. From May to October they are allowed to remain out at night. During the summer, cows are often milked three times a day, and during warm weather are brought into the stable for a few hours during the heat of the day. In the fall, butter is made and crocked for winter use. A cow is in her prime at six years of age, and is considered to remain so until ten years old.

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Mr. Thos. Settle is an applicant for the position of district attorney in this district to succeed Mr. Holton. Mr. Settle is an able man but it is very doubtful if he gets the job.

A Chiropractor Alderman. Ows his election to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy: "I can heartily and conscientiously recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for affections of the throat and lungs." says Hon. John Sherrick, 220 So. Peoria st., Chicago. "Two years ago during a political campaign, I caught cold after being overheated, which irritated my throat and I was finally compelled to stop, as I could not speak aloud. In my extremity a friend advised me to use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I took two doses that afternoon and could not believe my senses when I found the next morning the inflammation had largely subsided. I took several doses that day, kept right on talking through the campaign, and I thank this medicine that I won my seat in the council." This remedy is for sale by C. N. Simpson, Jr., and S. J. Welsh.

The special term of the Federal Court for the trial of Penland and Dickerson, charged with wrecking the First National Bank of Asheville, which was to have been held in Charlotte on the 15th, has been postponed to May 15th.

Wine of Cardui. I was all run down from nervousness and overwork and had to resign my position and take a rest. I found that I was not gaining my strength and health as fast as I could wish, and as your Wine of Cardui was recommended as such a good medicine for the life of our sex, I bought a bottle and began using it. I was satisfied with the results from the use of the first bottle, and took three more and then found I was restored to good health and strength and able to take up my work with renewed vigor. I consider it a fine tonic and excellent for worn-out, nervous condition, and am pleased to endorse it.

AGNES WESTLEY, 816 W. 11th St., St. Paul, Minn.

Great Religious Awakening.

The world has been compelled to take notice of a wave of religious revival which recalls the "Great Awakening" that shook this country in 1858. It rose two years ago in Australia, and rolling over that continent, spread to Wales last year. There a young coal miner, Evan Roberts, was disclosed as one of the great evangelists of history. He took the whole principality by storm. Theaters were emptied and their audiences flocked to the churches. Profanity disappeared from the streets and even from the coal pits, where the mules, missing the stimulus of the language to which they had been accustomed, sometimes refused to work. Prayer meetings were held in the depths of the mines. Hundreds of homes wrecked by liquor were restored. Old debts, long outstanding, were paid. Gamblers, atheists, drunkards and prize-fighters knelt in the meetings.

The influence of the Welsh awakening was soon felt in England, where the American evangelists, Torrey and Alexander, leased the Royal Albert Hall, seating 6,000 people, for five months. Then the movement spread to the United States. For weeks Schenectady thought and talked nothing but religion. Nearly fifty churches were crowded at once, and hundreds were turned away from union meetings to which people came from Troy, Albany and Saratoga. Eight hundred children, representing forty schools and fourteen denominations, marched singing through the streets. In Denver the ministers headed processions which paraded through the Tenderloin and marched into saloons inviting sinners to the meetings. The city officers were closed, and even the legislature was affected to the extent of adjourning. Ten thousand people crowded the noon meetings in the theatres, some coming a thousand miles. At Los Angeles and Pomona Catholics and Episcopalians worked on parallel lines with the evangelistic revivalists, although not in the same meetings. The movement is now extending to New York, the hardest place in America to stir with a religious appeal, and a representative of the ministers there has been sent to Wales to study the methods that have produced such astonishing results in that country and report upon the prospects of successfully transplanting them to the American metropolis.

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THE MADNESS OF HEROISM.

Who Can Stand Before a People Animated by Such a Spirit as This? Midnight closed the tenth day of the Titanic struggle for the possession of Mukden and the mastery of a vast empire, the tenth day of unceasing conflict under exploding shrapnel, the roar of cannon and the whistling of bullets; the tenth without sleep and without food. The combat is fast reaching a point where it is a question not so much of turning columns, or tactics and strategy, as of whose strength, energy and cartridges will last the longer.

Gray-coated Russians, patient, uncomplaining, strong of soul, clung doggedly to positions against an enemy whose attacks go to the very point of insanity and desperation. For forty-eight hours the Japanese have not eaten. They are starving and exhausted, but Field Marshal Oyama himself has held Marshal Koyama himself and the slaughter stop on Friday, and their confidence in their leader increases their strength tenfold. On Wednesday, when the Russians took Ushuntau, a few dozen Japanese clung to the thick walled temple and refused all overtures to surrender. Cannon were brought up and breached the walls, but the dare-devil courage of the defenders continued under fire; and finally, when the defense was hopeless, they blew themselves skyward with the ruins of the temple. One survivor, rather than surrender, threw himself into a stone-rimmed well and perished. And yet the rank and file and inferior leaders, stern in their sense of duty, are unsparing of themselves as of the men whom they lead to death. Stern Oyama drives and drives his troops northward to encircle the city. With every fresh flanking movement the iron band closes nearer the railroad, and under this menace the first and third armies were forced last night to abandon the mighty fortifications on the Shakhe river, give up the impregnable Pottill Hill and retire to the line of the Hun river.

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Have your cake, muffins, and tea-biscuit home-made. They will be fresher, cleaner, more tasty and wholesome.

Royal Baking Powder helps the housewife to produce at home, quickly and economically, fine and tasty cake, the raised hot-biscuit, puddings, the frosted layer-cake, crisp cookies, crullers, crusts and muffins, with which the ready-made food found at the bake-shop or grocery does not compare.

Royal is the greatest of bake-day helps.

While standing in front of the fire at her home in Silver Hill township, Davidson county, Mrs. Jo Ellis became ill, fainted, fell in the fire and was so terribly burned that she is not expected to recover. Mr. Ellis was asleep in the room at the time of the accident and did not know of his wife's injury until she crawled from the fire and aroused him.

Champion Liniment for Rheumatism. Chas. Drake, a mail carrier in Chapinville, Conn., says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the champion of all liniments. The past year I was troubled a great deal with rheumatism in my shoulder. After trying several cures the storekeeper here recommended this remedy and it completely cured me." There is no use of anyone suffering from that painful ailment when this liniment can be obtained for a small sum. One application gives prompt relief and its continued use for a short time will produce a permanent cure. For sale by C. N. Simpson, Jr., and S. J. Welsh.

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Now, if you dont like it, just consider it.

Cull C. Sikes.

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