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POINTS FOR POULTRYMAN.

Chickens must have some kind of green food along with their grain and meat food during the winter if many eggs are expected. Beef scraps, green cut bone, blood meal or chopped raw beef will take the place of the bugs and worms they pick up during the summer, but something must also be provided to take the place of the tender blades of grass plucked here and there. Grasses are concentrated in themselves to form the whole diet. The starch in them becomes pasty and sticky after becoming moist and will not move along easily through the fowl's peculiarly formed alimentary canal unless there is some bulky substance mixed with the food. In fact, it requires very much less food if bulky green foods of some kind are fed regularly and, of course, they are much cheaper.

At first thought it would seem almost impossible to have a supply of green food during the winter without great cost, but this need not be the case. There are several different ways of supplying this part of the ration. Apple parings and cabbage leaves which would otherwise be wasted in the kitchen can be chopped up with a vegetable cutter in pieces small enough for the fowls to swallow, and they form an excellent substitute for the grasses of summer. Heads of cabbage may be hung up in the scratching shed so the fowls will be required to jump for them. This also provides exercise. Care should be taken, though, not to feed too much cabbage, as it will tint the eggs. If turnips are plentiful they may also be fed in this manner. In the last few years alfalfa has been placed upon the market in the form of a bulky meal for poultry. A quantity of the meal is scalded with hot water the night before it is used. It turns as green as grass as soon as it is scalded, but it should be left covered tightly for several hours. It should then be mixed with the mash food to form about a fourth of the quantity in bulk.

Pure, clean clover hay is equally good chopped up and mixed and fed in this manner or a bale of clover hay may be left in some out-of-the-way place for the fowls when it will be found the leaves will all soon be picked from the stems. Then the bale may be torn apart. It will surprise some to think of fowls eating hay, but they will actually eat all the leaves from the clover stems, so much do they relish bulky food. The cow beat or mangle wuzzel forms a very cheap and efficient green food for poultry, but they can scarcely ever be purchased on the market. If you want a supply of green food for your fowls next year sow a small quantity of the seed along in July or engage some farmer to grow some for you. If you live in the suburbs possibly there is a hot-house near which raises lettuce during the winter. The waste leaves may be obtained at small cost. Sprouted oats makes another good form of green food for winter use. The grain is sown thickly in a sprouting box or tray and kept at a moderate temperature until the young plants reach a height of two or three inches.

The fifteen pullets owned by A. E. Schuch, of Richmond, reported as having laid 248 eggs during December, have repeated this record during January by laying 244 eggs and during the first half of February laying 118 eggs. These fifteen hens have been confined in a coop six by twelve feet, and have only been let out of doors six or seven days in the last eleven weeks. Incubators and brooders should be thoroughly overhauled and renovated several days before using them. You will probably find parts of the lamp missing, tanks rusted through or thermometer broken. Hens should not be required to jump down into the nest. If eggs are in the nest they are very likely to be broken and the hen becomes an egg eater. Nests should always have entrances from the front. Reports of the domestication of the wild mallard duck are being received, and for some unaccountable reason they are becoming quite popular. At the recent show held here there were more entries in this variety than all other varieties of ducks combined. The drake makes quite a striking appearance, with his bright green metallic head, narrow white ring about his neck, blue gray body and dark wings. The female is a beautiful light brown, laced with dark brown. It is interesting to note how vastly different the markings and shadings are in the male and female, and how true to type they breed.—Indianapolis News.

INDIAN RUNNER DUCKS.
The Indian Runner duck was introduced into the United States about 12 years ago, and is a native of India where they have been bred for years as egg producers. They have a long narrow body, well elevated in front, without any sign of keel, but having a well rounded breast. The neck is long and fine and carried erect. The head and bill have a decided wedge shape appearance, with keen eagle eyes set high in the head. Their wings are bred down to a point, where they are so small they cannot fly but are an aid to their rapid movements. The legs are long and set well back

on the body. In color they are fawn and white, with occasional darker markings on head and tail of drake. The standard weight for mature drake is 4½ pounds and for duck 4 pounds. Their flesh is very fine in quality and well flavored, their meat being next in value to the celebrated Canvas Back duck that commands such a high price for table use. They mature very rapidly, reaching market size in nine or ten weeks. They do not consume near the amount of feed the Pekin ducks do, or the larger breeds of chickens. This is another point very much in their favor, as feed is getting to be quite an item in poultry culture. Their laying qualities place them above any other breed of ducks or chickens. They are well named when called the Leghorn of the duck family. They have been known to produce 240 to 250 eggs per year, but with ordinary care and feed we would be safe in placing their average at 175 to 190 eggs per year. Their eggs are large and very rich and fine in flavor, and they are in great demand for table use and always bring a higher price than hen's eggs. Among other points in their favor are the following: They have no lice or other vermin, are not bothered by hawks, have no roup, no scabby legs, no frosted combs; there are no roosts to spray, and no roosting in trees, nor flying over fences. A two foot poultry fence will confine them anywhere, which makes it very convenient to step from yard to yard, in caring for them.—A. F. Shaw in the Indiana Farmer.

HOW TO HELP THE HENS.
Of course, every farmer knows that overfat hens lay few or no eggs. What is needed is a trial with some big dry dust heaps in old square plan boxes, so these hens can get into the dust and shake and shuffle. Hens need and must have such "bathing." In some old wagon beds with large piles of hay, straw and chaff on top, and clean country dirt on the bottom, changed every so often, scatter grains and other feed, and rake in so deep and hidden that these "bathers" must work with straw and scratch or starve. Of course, it will not do to overdo at the start, for the foot fat hens might scratch themselves sick or hurt their soft, fat muscles by too hard work. Hang up some cabbage heads, onions and lettuces, so they will have to jump and peck to get a taste of green food, and fool the hens into thinking spring has come so they will begin to lay and cackle. Again, some meat scraps hung up in this same way are fine for layers. On cold days all soft food should have the chill taken off before feeding. Warm drinks for their insides—two or three times daily. All these usually bring eggs if the henhouses and runs are right. I almost forgot ground up bones and shells.—New York Press.

SCALY LEGS.
The rough, unsightly scales on the legs of fowls, causing them to swell, are caused by a mite about one eight-hundredth of an inch in length burrowing beneath the scale that results in lumpy crusts that are generally hollow and contain a spongy-like mass in the lower portion of which the mites are found in all stages of development. Wash the legs of the diseased birds in lukewarm water and cuticura soap; when dry oil with equal parts of sulphur and lard that had previously been well blended. Kerosene alone may blister the legs and kerosene and lard are quite likely to bleach the yellow legs that are so much to be desired in some standard bred fowls and in all market varieties.—Poultry Tribune.

GIVE CHICKS CHARCOAL.
When chicks are fed mash it is a great benefit to them to add a little powdered charcoal to their food. Have the mash moist enough so the charcoal will stick. The chicks will soon learn to like it and will eat the mixture as readily as plain feed. When they get older feed the charcoal alone and see how they will eat it. It is a fine thing to keep them healthy, for it is a great corrective, preventing fermentation of food in the crop, and for that reason is a great aid in warding off bowel complaint.—Poultry Tribune.

SCIENCE IN FEEDING.
Observation during the summer months proves that fowls unrestrained seek a considerable part of their food of a bulky nature—the tender grasses and clover, the weed seeds and scattered grains, the bugs, grasshoppers and insects. All goes to confirm the theory that high-priced grains have been beneficial in widening the knowledge that vegetables and clover lessons greatly the cost of feeding fowls during winter months.—Farmers' Home Journal.

GRAIN FEEDING.
In feeding grain to laying fowls, if the flock is a large one, great care must be taken so that the grain is scattered so the weaker fowls are not justified about by the stronger ones. See that the weakest ones have plenty of room when being fed to get their due share.—Farmers' Home Journal.

NORTH STATE NEWS

Items of State Interest Gathered and Told in Brief.

Internal Revenue Collections.

The Winston-Salem delegation who went to Washington to make a pull for the collector's office marshaled a fine array of figures. It was shown that the total internal revenue collected in the State last year was \$5,150,672 and of this sum the western district paid \$2,739,124 and the eastern \$2,411,548. The fifth congressional district paid at Winston-Salem \$2,437,560; Durham \$1,941,065 and Reidsville \$310,945, making a total of \$4,689,570. The collections for the entire State, outside of the fifth congressional district, amounted to \$461,102.

Preacher Gave Bond.

The trial of Rev. R. L. Bane and M. L. Parker of Granite Quarry, charged with burning the former's store at that place in February, was held before Esquire D. M. Miller, at Salisbury, and both defendants gave bond of \$1,200 for their appearance at the May term of Rowan superior court.

Cave-In Kills Two.

While working in a 12-foot sewer ditch in Greensboro, two negroes, Sam Gorrell and Dewitt Johnson, lost their lives when several tons of dirt caved in upon them. Another laborer, Tom Slade, had a narrow escape but managed to get out of the ditch after he had been partially buried by the cave-in.

Site For Children's Home.

C. G. Proctor, of East Durham, has given a site of fifteen acres for the \$30,000 Children's Home to be built in that place. The county offers to build a thirty-foot roadway to it. Mr. Proctor, though without children, recently gave twenty-five acres for the Pythian orphanage site, lost by change from Durham to Clayton.

Bill of \$50,000 for Monuments.

Representative Morehead has introduced a bill providing \$50,000 for monuments. Twenty-five thousand of this sum is to be put in a statue to General Nathaniel Greene, and the remainder in "monuments and tablets to the memory of other participants in the battle of Guilford Court House."

North Carolina's D. A. R. Delegate.

Mrs. F. S. Spruill has been appointed as the North Carolina delegate from the State associations to the meeting of the National Colonial Dames of America, which is to hold its annual session in Washington City, beginning April 27.

Big Fire Loss at Fayetteville.

A fire swept several thousand acres near Fayetteville, and gave the people within the fire swept territory the fight of their life to save their houses from destruction. The approximate loss is about \$10,000.

Drug Store Tax Increased.

The license tax on drug stores for whiskey prescriptions is increased from \$125 a year to \$500 by Raleigh aldermen. Also license tax on near-beer saloons from \$250 to \$500.

Cotton Mill News at Rockingham.

Pea Dee mills No. 1 and No. 2, at Rockingham, will operate but four days in each week in order to curtail production. These mills manufacture checks and plaids. Robertel No. 1 will also run on short time. This mill manufactures ginghams. Since the Hannah Pickett closed down work has been commenced on the new weave room, and it is thought that it will be finished by fall. The new Entwistle mill is going up rapidly and will be pushed with all possible speed.

North Carolina National Guard.

The North Carolina National Guard Association closed its business session at Raleigh Thursday and at night had the joys of a banquet at which there were addresses by Governor Kitchin, Commander-in-Chief of the State Guard; Capt. M. C. Kerth, of the United States Army, and others. Durham was selected as the next place of meeting.

Penitentiary Guard "Not Guilty."

Not guilty was the verdict of the jury in the case of W. M. Dupree, at Raleigh, tried on the charge of having caused the death of Convict George Murphy, of Rowan county, while as a guard in the penitentiary he attempted to carry out an order to put Murphy in the dark cell for drunkenness.

Kinston Taxes "Near Beer."

At a meeting of the Kinston board of aldermen an ordinance was passed without a dissenting vote taxing near-beer saloons \$1,000 a year and also providing a stringent regulation.

Patents Granted North Carolinians.

The patent office at Washington has granted the following patents to citizens of this State: Wallace B. Davis, Asheville, window-lock; Benjamin L. Massey, Charlotte, extension car-stop; Archibald McGilchrist, Graphiteville, brake for steam vessels; George T. Robertson, Charlotte, fountain-pen filler; Ellis E. Shore and W. L. Wilson, Rural Hall, drying-rack for hay; Thomas A. West, Arden, friction-clutch.

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