

POULTRY

DIVIDE HEN FLOCK FOR BEST RESULTS

Separate flocks from hens, say poultrymen from the New York State College of Agriculture at Ithaca.

Skim milk is one of the biggest known aids to egg production, and should be used to the limit.

With plenty of milk, the hens do not need so much water, and a few farmers claim better results when no water at all is given if the hens always have access to milk.

Whole chickens hung in the scratch pens make fine green feed, but other greenstuffs are also good.

For the mash which pullets should always have before them, equal parts of bran, middlings, yellow corn meal, ground heavy oats, and beef scraps generally give the best results.

Add to these aids and precautions a good culling program, say the state college men, and any poultryman should be able to get both pleasure and profit from handling his flock.

The little things count in egg production, they say. They believe these practices, if followed, will increase noticeably the production of every hen in the state.

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The highest type of brooding for egg production may be secured only by trap-nesting every breeder throughout every day of her first laying year.

The best poultry breeders are searching for the pullet that lays not only during the spring, but is also an early maturer and heavy winter layer.

Care of Breeding Stock Is of Great Importance

Apparently much of the trouble we have each year with poor incubator results is traceable to the condition which the breeding stock has been in for several months previous.

The hens should have plenty of grain in addition to the regular laying mash.

Cause of Diseases

Most farm poultry houses lack effective means of removing moisture and impure air.

It looks big, papa," replied Johnny, "but it's sponge cake and nearly all holes."

America is the only country right enough to hire agents to keep it righteous in spite of all it can do.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

MARY GRAHAM BONNER

AMONG THE BIRDS

"I can repeat sentences after people," said the parrot in the bird house of the zoo.

"I have become very tame," said the parrot.

"So have I," said the cockatoo, a very beautiful white cockatoo.

"Chirp-chirp, peep, peep," said the canaries in chorus, "we have become tame, too."

"We sit on the keeper's fingers and we kiss him and take seeds from his lips, and we sing all the time to show how happy and contented we are."

"Your best is very fine," said the Virginia Cardinal bird.

"Thank you, thank you," said the solitary bird.

"He knows that when I am free I like fruit and wild berries, and he gives me bits of these here just as I would take them if I were free."

"He gives me delicious little tastes of banana, too."

"Ah, woe is me, I'm sad," said the Scarlet Tanager bird.

"What's the trouble?" asked the Virginia Cardinal.

"I always lose my gorgeous red coloring in the zoo. I fade and am not nearly so bright and gay and brilliant as I would be if I were free."

"It would appear as though I did not like the zoo. But I do."

"It's just that I must be flying in the big world in all the sunshine and having lots of room and exercise in order to keep my coloring."

"I am not really scarlet any more."

"Oh, yes you are," said the Virginia Cardinal. "You aren't as scarlet as you were, but you are still very, very lovely."

"Thank you kindly," said the Scarlet Tanager, and then added:

"Well, you're a nice, friendly bird, and the keeper says he loves his dear, tame Virginia Cardinal with his bright and intelligent eyes."

So every bird in the bird house of the zoo felt happy.

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Fifteen Cents Was All Negro School Had

New York World.

Properly free of debt, valued at \$250,000, and 500 young negro men and women enrolled is the present status of the Laurinburg Normal and Industrial Institute of Laurinburg, N. C.

The school was organized in 1904 in a small frame building worth about \$250, with only 15 cents in cash and with 20 negro boys and girls in attendance. Now there are 12 buildings, three of brick construction. The students come from North and South Carolina, Georgia and New York.

The school really owes its existence to the late Booker T. Washington, leader of the negroes, who in 1904 sent E. M. McDuffie to Laurinburg to teach.

"Twenty-one years ago," he said, in describing the history of the institution, "Booker T. Washington asked me to come to Laurinburg to teach the colored people. I came and started the school in an old building with a handful of students and 15 cents in cash. Since that time the work has gradually grown until now it has 19 teachers, upward of 500 students and property valued at \$250,000, all free of debt."

"Through the work of teachers and students, the moral tone of our people is being aroused to the contemplation of higher ideals, and they are at last becoming serious, as to the sober side of life. Excursions, parties and a good time generally are slowly but surely being relegated to the rear. Our farmers are studying how to become better farmers and better in all walks of life. We are improving in workshops and various industries. dytsftaoin etaoim etaoim chfdcauuu

If ancestors are his only source of pride, he seldom gives his progeny anything to be proud of.

STATEMENT OF METROPOLITAN NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, HAVANA, CUBA.

Condition, December 31, 1925, As Shown By Statement Filed.

Amount of Capital Deposited With N. Y. Ins. Office \$ 200,000.00

Income—From Policyholders, \$94,788.24; Misc. \$461,377.07; Total \$566,165.31

Disbursements—To Policyholders, \$459.40; Misc. \$30,337.52; Total \$31,396.92

Fire Risks—Written or re. during yr. \$2,511,658; In force \$2,167,380.00

All other Risks—Written or re. dur. yr., \$6,983,751; In force \$6,968,151.00

Value of Bonds and Stocks \$440,952.38

Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks not on interest \$8,878.81

Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest \$23,674.50

Art. bal. rep. business written subsequent to Oct. 1, 1925 \$51,262.70

Interest and Rents due and accrued \$5,392.20

All other Assets, as detailed in statement \$71,997.62

Total \$ 602,158.21

Total admitted Assets \$ 602,158.21

LIABILITIES

Net amount of unpaid losses and claims \$ 18,989.18

Usually you can tell by looking at a man whether his wife calls him Bill or William.

A typical American is one who has reasonable hope of getting as much money as the man he envies.

It wasn't Fashion that made hips disappear, but the fact that it's no longer necessary for a lady to be helpless.

Another thought. Fifty years from now Europe may sell Uncle Sam enough timber to pay the debt.

Matrimony is a miracle worker. It alone can make a man content to work under a woman boss.



THOMAS JEFFERSON

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Advertisement for Buick automobiles featuring the slogan 'The Better Buick' and 'They make Night Driving a Pleasure'. Includes details about headlights and steering.

AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR FIRST QUARTER 1926. Table with columns for Receipts and Disbursements for County, School, and Disbursement School Funds.