HOUSE AND FARM.

The Honey Bee. There are three kind of bees kept in hives in the United States at present—the black, the gray, and southern part of the United States, and the Italian bee is an imported insect from Italy, now being rapidly north and south, pure hybrid, imfrom imported stock. A prosperous colony of bees consists of three kinds of individuals—a queen, drones and generally called the "Mother Bee." The drones are males, and the hue; yet we often see them approximating to a cinnamon shade, and them. some of them are quite yellow and of the combs in which they are bred. advantage of by the intelligent bee- profitable gratitude they return you. keeper, who, when the honey season fails, or previous to its commencement, supplies them with a reasona- All horses must not be fed in the

rommences. displayed in the queen controling proper nourishment in it. this matter to suit the times, and | stimulation, will often find the honey eases. s son well over before the colony is He should have a knowledge of the digest it better. different plants and flowers, from. the day and month even when they it makes the horse chew his food boom and supply honey, and the more and digest it better. influence of the weather on that supby and bees, in order to regulate the artificial stimulation.

Accordingly, to prepare the colony body in either. to labor effectually when the harvest

Raising Poultry.

taise as much poultry as would be Piolitable? Eggs for several years last have brought a good price all progress and in prospect, the tan- have less. neries and lumbering establishments, Rack feeding is wasteful. The ggest therefore, to those who is more easily chewed and digested. hest of attention. A gentleman Thin has made the poultry business ful of salt in a bucket of water is Profitable says you must not attempt sufficient.—London Horse Book. to keep to keep too many fowls in a

no doubt that I could succeed with 400 on two acres. The ground should be enclosed with a picket TOLEDO MUTUAL fence, and the buildings placed on the north side and facing to the south. The height of the fence should be five feet for Brahams, and the Italian. The black bee belongs nine feet or more for the more active to the northern, the gray to the fowls. I have found a roosting house eighteen feet long, twelve feet wide, and eight high at back, and twelve at front, with a single slopintroduced to all our apiaries both ing roof, and built of common boards, not battened, but with joints proving our natural bees just as opeu—quite sufficient accommodathe dairyman improves his cattle tion and warm enough for 200 fowls. Fresh air is of vastly more importauce than warmth. In a climate much colder than that of New York, workers. The queen is a female, is I have never had a fowl's comb mother of the whole colony, and is frozen in such a house as this on the coldest nights, when the temperature has been below zero, and a workers are undeveloped females. strong wind blowing. Too much In early spring the colony is com- warmth induces disease; catarrh, posed of one queen and about twen- roup, and dysentery are caused by ty thousand workers. As the sea- impure air and warmth, produced son becomes warmer, the number of by huddling in a close apartment. JOHN CUMMINGS, workers increases, and a great many Artificial warmth is better than FRED EATON, drones are reared, which are mostly sweating in this manner. A setting- wager swayne, all destroyed when the swarming house, adjoining the roosting-house, J. w. Ross, season is over. The queen is the and of the same size, needs to be PELEG T. CLARKE, only perfectly developed female bee provided, without windows, and CHAS. COCHRAN. in the hive. Her torm is symmet- with a shelf all round, on which are tical, and her motions and actions placeed the nest raised two feet beautifully graceful and majestic. A from the ground. Another shed, pure, prolific Italian queen is one of adjoining the roosting house at the the most beautiful insects to behold. other end, open in the front, should Her body is of a "spotless and varie- be provided for shelter on stormy gated golden color, and even the days, and for the fowls to wallow black queen of the same form, is of in. Thus these three apartments royal appearance;" her color on the adjoining each other in a line are top of the body and also on the needed for 200 towls, and by addisides, being generally of a brownish | tional sets the colonies may be increased so long as there is room for

Corn, wheat screanings and occavariegated. We often find queens sionally coarse meal, scalded and of different colors in the same apiary, mixed with hot water, make up which is probably owing to the age their food. I never give them corn meal mixed with cold water, don't She is at least a third longer than a believe in it, in fact I think that is worker, and her wings cover only one source of their sickness and dishalf her body. She never leaves the ease. Clean water (you see I emhive except on her "bridal trip," or phasize the clean part) they must when accompanying a swarm. Her have, free to all. Drinking foul THE TOLEDO MUTUAL sole office is to lay eggs, of which water kills more chickens than nineshe deposits from two to three tenths of us raise. Give them good, thousand every day in a very good wholesome food, healthy, clean season, regulating the number ac- quarters: pay some decent regard to cording to the abundance of honey their comfort, and, my word for it, gathered by the bees. This is taken they will make you rejoice in the

Care of Horses.

ble quantity of honey to stimulate same proportions, without regard to the queen in order to keep up a their ages, their constitutions, and strong colony in anticipation of the their work; the impropriety of such honey harvest, for the secret of bee- a practice is self-evident. Yet it is keeping is to secure strong colonies to constantly done, and is the basis of work on the honey when the harvest disease of every kind.

Never use bad hay on account of Here we see the great wisdom its cheapness because there is no

Damaged corn is exceedingly inthe bee-keeper by not taking advan- jurious because it brings on inflamtige of this instinct by artificial mation of the bowels and skin dis-

Chaff is better for old horses than and chew and hay, because they can chew and

Mix chaff with corn or beans, and which the bees gather the honey; do not give the latter alone; because

> Hay or grass alone will not support a horse under hard work because there is not sufficient nutritive

When a horse is worked hard its bund int, the modus operandi of food should be mostly oats—if not the same we will endeavor to give worked hard its food should be as we further develop in our study chiefly hay—because oats supply to instinct and habits of this in- more nourishment and flesh-making

hay not so much. Do our farmers in this county a peck of sound oats and eighteen pounds of good hay are sufficient. If the hay is not good, add a quart or a peck more oats. A horse which diamer, and a very high price all works harder may have rather more Winter. With the coal works in of each; one that works little should

all employing numerous laborers, it better plan is to feed with chopped quite certain that the market hay, from a manger, because the prices for eggs will rule high. We food is not then thrown about and

know how to raise fowls that it Sprinkle the hay with water that would be well to increase their has salt dissolved in it, because it is docks somewhat, and give them the pleasing to the animal's taste and more easily digested. A teaspoon-

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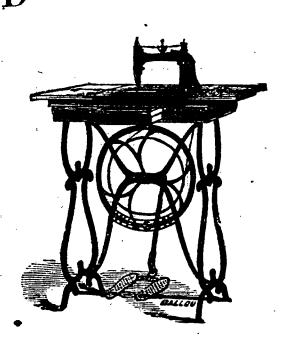
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