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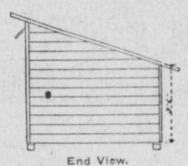


PORTABLE COLONY HENHOUSE

Plans Given for Building Designed to Shelter Suitably From 50 to 150 Young Chicks.

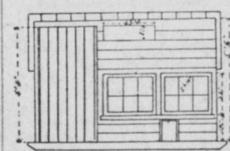
An excellent house designed to care for from 50 to 150 young chicks may be made 6x8 feet, and so built that it may easily be hauled from place to

place. It is 5 feet high in front, and 31/2 feet in the rear. The floor is of matched stuff 6 inches wide, nailed upon 2x4 laid edgewise on the 4x4 runners. This allows a space of 8 Inches beneath the floor; which, in cases where the house stands in the



open, provides shade for the young fowls. The framework is of 2x4, set flat side to the walls, to allow more room for the fowls and attendant.

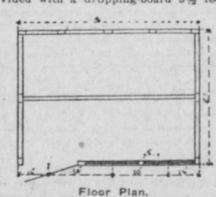
The roof is of common boards, covered with a good grade of waterproof roofing. In windy locations, it might be well to use matched lumber for the



Front View.

roof; which will lessen the liability of the water-proof roofing being torn off by the wind blowing in the doors or windows or under the eaves.

The little structure may be used as a cockerel house; or it may be provided with a dropping-board 31/2 feet



wide, on which two roosts may be placed, and under which three nests may be installed; and thus 10 to 15 old fowls may be housed during the winter.

For summer use, wire screens of 1-inch mesh may be inserted in place of windows. For winter use, muslin may be tacked over one of the screens and, with the glass window, the fowl will do very well. The total cost of this little house is \$25.37.

Early Pullets.

Early pullets are the ones that lay earliest in the fall. Much, however, depends upon the breed. The Leghorn and its relatives may be hatched later than our American varieties, such as the Plymouth Rock, and those later than the Brahma and Cochin. As soon as the chicks are able to run about they have a scratching pen with lots of litter in which to hunt for feed. They are made to scratch for a living from the very beginning. Those that are vigorous, healthy and well deve'oped start laying during Oc tober or November.

Young Squabs.

A squab grows enormously the first 12 hours, and still more rapidly after the third day. Squabs are at first sparsely covered with long filaments of down, the root of each filament indicating the point from which each future feather is to start. The down for a while still hangs on the tips of some of the feathers, during their growth, and is thought by some to be finally absorbed into the shaft of the growing feather.

Clover for Hens.

With plenty of clover, hens will require little other feed so long as the clover lasts; but as fowls are very fond of this plant, they must be moved from place to place, if their numbers are very large, or the clover will be eaten off too clean.

The Trap Nest. The trap nest is a regular detective. It tells the facts of the case, it tames arrests the robber hens, it gives an purpose as man, or rather woman, saved from a heartbreaking failure honest count and it exposes the fraud- deals with. And, once comfortably by financial assistance." ulent hens.

BEDBUGS FOND OF CHICKENS

nsects Sometimes Very Annoying to Birds and Affect Laying Qualities of the Hens.

(By B. J. SPERRY.) Many poultry houses are infested with bedbugs, and it is not an easy matter to dislodge them. They are sometimes very annoying to the birds and they affect the laying qualities of the hens, although they are not as vicious as the mites or the regular chicken lice.

Remove all the roosts and nests from the house and spray with boiling hot whitewash to which has been added a pint of turpentine to a pailful. Another good remedy is to burn the





Effects of

interior of the house with taroline mixture, which can be bought at any drug store. Another effective remedy is half a pint each of turpentine, ammonia and kerosene to which add about four ounces of gum camphor. If more is needed double the quantity. Apply with a brush.

The nests should be burned out over a blazing fire and roosts should also be held over the fire, and all should be thoroughly whitewashed and painted before putting them back.

Experiments with bedbugs to ascertain how long these unsavory insects can live without food have developed the fact that they live from 21 to 180 days entirely without food. This explains why some farmers have had trouble with these bugs by using, for poultry, buildings long unused.

The illustration shows two baskets of eggs. The one on the right represents 220 eggs laid by a hen free from vermin. The one on the left repre- treated in private houses in Mexisents 75 eggs laid by a hen in a poor ly kept chicken house.

TO SECURE CHOICE POULTRY

Practical Rules for Hatching Eggs and Setting Hen-Changing Cockerel of Great Importance.

Be sure that the hen is brooding. Try her for a day or two by placing china eggs on the nest. Make a nest of clean, fine-cut straw; dust the quick and terrible. straw with Persian insect powder. The hen should be dusted with the lice powder twice during incubation. that the old and young lice may be Williams, who was wounded Saturkilled before the young chickens are day in the spectacular assault when hatched. If the chickens are free his little force of 80 men engaged from lice, they will make strong the entire Eighth Battalion of the growth from the start. The breeding Mexican army, died Sunday in the stock should be given grass range improvised hospital established by and fed a mixed grain ration of crack- the United States troops at Calexico. ed corn and whole oats, and wheat and coal ashes well mixed together breastworks. for the dust bath. Breeders of highshould be fully one year old, of me- evaporated." dium size, full-breasted, and with short, bright yellow legs.

The breeding hens should be select. on the defeat of General Williams. ed from the most prolific layers. Breeders of exhibition birds use the trap nest to test for egg production. Fresh blood should be introduced by purchasing males of the same breed from farm-bred flock. It is said a Working in Mine When Explosion change of blood increases the laying qualities. Allow one male to a pen of 12 hens of the large birds, and one to a pen of 15 hens of the small breeds. After the cock has been with the flock two weeks, remove him and put in a fresh cock. This is considered of the utmost importance by breeders.

Don't dose your chickens.

Don't get too large a setting for the

Keep your hen houses dry and secure from the damp winds. Be sure your hen actually wants to

mother a sock before you set her. The almost universal practice now is to disinfect eggs before incubating

Place orders for eggs for hatching early and you'll save time and money. Too many are in the habit of setting hens in the shed with the other chickens.

buildings in which the setting hens can be put. Some folks believe in leaving the rounded him on all sides.

hen er 'rely to herself after she has begun to set. pings have been steeped makes a fine

liquid manure for the garden. Rhode Island Reds are a comparatively new breed, but they have many friends among poultrymen and farm

Set your hen in a nest apart from any place frequented by the other fund has been established by the chickens and your hatch will be more successful. Discouragements are great handi-

caps to raising little chicks; many hatch is lost.

set, she does not want to be bothered

WILLIAMS DYING HIS ARMY CRUSHED

American Leader's Band Fought Against Fearful Odds.

MACHINE GUNS DID THE WORK.

Frightfully Wounded, Former U. S. Soldier is Being Cared For in Army Hospital--Dream of Empire Over.

Mexicala, Mexico.-Gen. Stanley Williams, most spectacular and bravest of all the insurrecto leaders, whose bold assaults on Mexican Federals have made the western branch of the Mexican revolution bloody enough for any one, is dying.

Regardless of the fact that Williams is a deserter from the Ninth United States Infantry, and considering only that he is a brave man who is about to breathe his last, United States officials were the first to offer their services when he was brought in here fatally wounded from the bloody battlefield of the Mesa, five miles south of here.

Most remarkable of all is that the hospital in the Custom House, where Williams is now lying, is a regular army hospital. There his record of desertion has been forgotten, and he is being given every attention.

The insurrecto commander is terribly wounded from a shell explosion. A piece of the shell tore his head horribly, and this is the wound which was diagnosed as fatal.

Meanwhile the other 20 survivors of Williams' force of 80 men, all of them more or less injured, are being cala by Dr. W. B. Larkins, of this place, with what assistance he can get from across the water.

The battle of the Mesa was short and bloody. Williams marched out with his 80 men to attack Col. Miguel Mayot and his 500 men stationed about five miles south of here. At the first clash the little band of insurrectos seemed to have the advantage, but when field pieces were brought up by the Federals the slaughter of the attacking force was

"Social Utop'a" Fails. Mexicali, Mexico.-Gen. Stanley

Together with the other dead screenings. Feed fresh ground bone brought from the battle field five twice a week. Have boxes in feeding miles away, the fallen chieftain was room of ground bone, crushed oyster buried at night in the little graveshells, grit and a large box of wood yard at Mexicall, just behind the

"The war is over in Lower Calipriced poultry make careful selection fornia. The dream of establishof the breeding stock. The males ment of a socialistic utopia has

This is the opinion of officers of the United States Army here, based

A HUNDRED CONVICTS DEAD

Snuffs Out Lives--Loss of Life Totals 115.

Littleton, Ala .- Of the 115 miners who are believed to have met death in the explosion at the Banner mines of the Pratt Consolidated Coal Company, near here, less than half a dozen bodies have been recovered. The deadly black damp, due to the destruction of the ventilating fans by the explosion, was a menace to all who attempted to enter the workings and it may be several days before all the dead have been recovered.

The dead are: Eighty five negro convicts. Twenty white convicts. Five free white men. Five bodies of negro convicts re-

covered. It was shown by a checking of employes that 45 men escaped from the shaft after the explosion.

Clark McCormick, son of General Manager H. E. McCormick, of the Pratt Consolidated Company, owners of the mine, made a dash into the workings and after returning to Nearly every farm house has out- the surface said that the interior presented a scene of indescribable horror and that dead bodies sur-

While no official statement has been made, it is believed the explo-Water in which the chicken drop sion was caused by safety powder ignited by a lamp and followed by dust.

"Hard Luck" Loan Fund. New Orleans, La .- Through the efforts of Rev. G. H. Hines a loan stewards of his church, the St. Charles Avenue Methodist Episcopal, and money is loaned without interest to worthy men and women, who give up in despair when a promising are in financial trouble. The pastor says: "We have found that many When the old hen gets a notion that | men and women who have had what the hens, it gives accurate reports, it is she wants to set, it is about as fixed a is usually termed bad luck can be

Milk Strippings From Healthy Cow Taken While Warm Said to Be an Efficacious Remedy.

Milk strippings when taken from a healthy cow that gives very rich milk and taken in quantities of a quart twice a day immediately after milking, before it cools any, will cure a larger per cent, of cases of consumption than any other method. It will also prevent it when taken in time. The reason why it is so successful is because it is absorbed or transfused into the circulation almost immediately without taxing the digestive organs, as all other foods do, and as the strippings or last quart of the milking from a cow that gives very rich milk is nearly all cream, the patients will take on fat so much faster than can be accomplished by any other method that they soon gain enough strength and vitality to overcome the germs causing consumption.

To get the best results one should begin with a glass of strippings and increase gradually; but if there is any disgust for it created any time, the quantity should be decreased at once to one-half and then increase gradually again. In two or three weeks the patient can usually take a quart in the morning and evening.

It is very important to take it immediately after milking so as not to allow if to cool below blood heat. In cold weather it should be milked into a dish resting in warm water to prevent it from cooling any .-- B. J. Kendall, M. D.

Drawbacks of Society.

In a town of this size, the husbands of the "society" women have dress suits which they bought to be married in and have outgrown, but when an evening affair occurs, the "society" women stuff their fat husbands into the tight dress suits, and go. Then, at the party, all the married women get together, and tell what awful times they had getting their husbands into the dress suits. If there is a sound as of something tearing, every married woman turns as white as death; she thinks it is her husband's trousers. At a late evening affair a married couple came late, and the woman explained the last moment she had to put gussets in her husband's trousers, "and even with those gussets," she said, "he don't dare sit down." Another that he vowed he could not stand it, and threatened every minute to unbutton it. "If he does," she said, "we will have to go home early; I just can't get it together again."-Atlanta Constitution.

Australian Names.

a 'cornstalk.' I've quit correcting

them long ago. "Now, as it happens, the term should only be applied to the people of New South Wales. They are the tall, slim blokes who look as though you could break them in two between your finger and thumb. I come from the colony of Victoria, where we are known by the still more unattractive sobriquet of 'gumsuckers,' on account

of our great forests of blue gum trees. "Queensland is in the tropics, and Its inhabitants are called banana eaters.' The South Australians are 'crow eaters,' because in times of drought the natives are sometimes reduced to the use of crows as food. "So call me a 'gumsucker' if you like, but never a 'cornstalk,' and the next time you want to apply a nickname to an Australian ask him from art in two, and science in one; like . which colony he comes."

Art Arcade for Carlsbad.

The project of an art arcade for Carlsbad, which has been for so many years a vexed question among the tradesmen's associations, is now making progress. The preparations have been pushed with noticeable energy. Extensive earth and rock excavations have been necessary to make room at one part of the Posthof Promenade for the building, and it can now be seen that useful work has been done. The little booths which formerly stood here and gave the appearance of an annual fair were certainly no ornament for the most fashionable promenade among the world's watering places. Instead of this medley of booths of all possible colors and styles producing heaviness and duliness and a tasteful, roomy and stately building will now appear, which will provide a worthy home for the creations of Carlsbad, industries, as well as those that something would have to be done of natives and foreign artists, thus filling a long-felt want.

Mother's Pumpkin Pie.

A man's measure of success is shown up in the quality and quantity of how his meals arrive in time. The supreme end of everything even in after meals. I concluded to try Grape politics is pie; pie for the elect few, Nuts food to see what it could do for it may be; pie for the great mass- me perhaps; but nevertheless now and forevermore the one great cry is ple. And where is the pie that beats the I do not suffer any longer after meals; good old pumpkin, pumpkin pie like mother made?

Real Cupidity. Edna-Jack and I had the most de-

lightful time on shipboard. Katharine-Gracious! I don't see how you could enjoy yourselves under

the watchful eyes of the chaperon. Edna-Oh, we used a little strategy You see, we told the chaperon if she would close her eyes she would avoid seasickness, and she kept her eyes closed most of the voyage."

HERE'S A CONSUMPTION CURE | DOCTORS PRESCRIPTION FAILED ---THE GREAT KIDNEY REMEDY PROVES ITS MERIT

It gives me great pleasure to say a good word for Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root because it has cured me of a severe case of Kidney Trouble. I had suffered for sones five years with this trouble, and mose especially for the first three months of

Physicians prescribed for me, but without much success, and any relief obtained was only temporary. I had severe pains in my back and at no time was I free of When I stooped down it was with pain. some difficulty that I could straighten my body again. I could not lift any weight of consequence without great pain. I would be compelled to arise and give the bladder relief. A friend of mine advised me to take Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, whereupon I wrote to Dr. Kilmer for a sample bottle which so benefited me that I was led to believe it would be a great help to me. Accordingly I purchased two bottles of Swamp-Root from Mr. A. P. Perry, my Druggist, and the effect has been truly marvelous.

I feel like a new man and have every reason to believe that I am cured, and that no other medicine could have accomplished so much. Now I can raise a heavy load, can bend my back over my desk all day, and feel none the worse for In view of the foregoing facts, I sincerely trust that this testimonial may reach some of those who are suffering after the manner before described and that it may convince them that the merit of this great medicine should be given a

fair trial in their case. Very truly yours, B. A. WILSON, Agt., Pac. and Wells Fargo Ex. Co., Rockdale, Texas, You may publish this if you wish.

Letter to Dr. Klimer & Co. Binghamton, 5. Y.

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How Sea Birds Drink.

Under the headline, Where Do They Get Water? a writer in the Young Folks' Catholic Weekly says: "When I was a cabin boy I often used to wonder, seeing birds thousands of to a group of married women that at miles out to sea, what they did for fresh water when they were thirsty. One day a squall answered that question for me. It was a hot and glittering day in the tropics, and in the clear woman said she had buttoned her hus- sky overhead a black rain cloud apband's vest with a button hook, and peared all of a sudden. Then out of empty space over a hundred sea birds came darting from every direction. They got under the rain cloud, and waited there for about ten minutes, circling round and round, and when the rain began to fall they drank their fill In the tropics, where the great sea birds sail thousands of miles away from shore, they get their drinking "Nearly all my friends," remarked water in that way. They smell out a an Australian the other day, "call me storm a long way off; they travel a hundred miles maybe to get under it, and they swallow enough raindrops to keep them going."-New York Trib

> Grouch Still With Him. When Brown died he left an old friend living, by the name of Jones, who always had a grouch. After Brown had been in heaven some time, he met Jones just coming through the gate, and as the newcomer did not look as happy and contented as he should, Brown asked him what was the matter. "Well," Jones said, "I got my feet wet coming across the river Styx and caught a nasty cold, broke my left wing and have to carry it in a sling, and my halo don't fit worth a darn."

Full life exists in three dimensions. solid, a superficies, and a line.

REASONED IT OUT And Found a Change in Food Put Hlm Right.

A man does not count as wasted the time he spends in thinking over his business, but he seems loth to give the same sort of careful attention to himself and to his health. And yet his business would be worth little without good health to care for it. A business man tells how he did himself good by carefully thinking over his physical condition, investigating to find out what was needed, and then changing to the right food.

"For some years I had been bothered a great deal after meals. My food seemed to lay like lead in my stomach, sometimes positive pain. Of course this rendered me more or less unfit for business, and I made up my mind

"Reflection led me to the conclusion that over-eating, filling the stomach with indigestible food, was responsible for many of the ills that human flesh endures, and that I was punishing myself in that way—that was what was making me so dull, heavy and un comfortable, and unfit for business

"I have been using it for some months now, and am glad to say that my food seems to assimilate easily and perfectly, and to do the work for which it was intended.

"I have regained my normal weight, and find that business is a pleasure once more—can take more interest in it, and my mind is clearer and more alert.

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in

pkgs. "There's a Reason." Ever rend the above letter? A none appears from time to time. There genuine, true, and full of hun