Dear Sir :- I see by your paper that you wish to hear from the Poultry men in regard to "how to make hens lay in the win-

I think there are three things necessary to attain that object, viz: 1st. A proper house; 2nd. The proper food; 3d. The proper breed.

The house should be large enough

to give plenty of room for the fowl it should face the South, with a good ft should face the South, with a good fence about six feet high on the north and West sides of the yard, as it forms a good protection from the cold winds. The front should be entirely of glass; win ow sashes with six by eight lights are the best, so if they get broken it will not cost so much to mend. There should. so much to mend i. There shoull be a good floor to it, which must be kept clean. The nests can be placed on the back side about a foot from the floor so that the sun can shine on them, as it makes it warm and pleas-ant to the hens. My hen-houses, which are made on this plan, are almost as warm as my kitchen. One thing is very certain, and that is that hens cannot be made lay in the win-ter, no matter how well, fed, unless they have a good, dry, warm, light apartment, especially in stormy

weather.

Now in regard to their food. think that the more variety you give them the better. I have a regular bill of fare for each day. First day corn with meat and cabbage; next, oats with meat; next, meal and boiloats with meat; next, meat and boiled mashed potatoes; next wheat, with cabbage or other vegetables; next, barley with meat; next, scalded meal with cayenne pepper. I think, that grain is better boiled than in the raw state, and if a beef bone and in the water, it improves the is put in the water it improves the flavor much. In feeding meal and mashed potatoes I put in a little ca-yenne pepper. Feed warm but not too hot. The lungs, liver, and tripe of an ex is what I use for fresh meat it should be boiled tender so the hens can pick it off easily. I always keep a cake of pork scraps and a good supply of pounded bones, oyster and clim shells, bits of plaster, lime, gravel stones, and sand in my hengravel stones, and sand in my henhouse. I also save all the shells of
the eggs used by the family during
the summer months, dry them well
and pound up fine and feed in the
coldest of the weather. Hers war t
a good place to dust in the winter,
for this urpose have a shallow box
in a warm place filled with wood
ashes, and last, but not least, let
them have an alundance of successions. them have an abundance of pure, clean, unfrozen water by them all

There has been a great deal of discussion as to what is the best breed of fowl for laying. I think that every one will agree with me that the best for winter laying are the Brah and to 9 o clock in winter, shall mas, although there are many breeds which are ahead of them in the sum-mer time. I think that the best variety a farmer can keep is a mixture of the Spanish or Leghorn with the

ing every year.
In conc usion; I would say that I always have a good supply of eggs during the winter, and the more attention you give your fowls the bet-ter you will be paid. E. A. J.

Yours, &c.

Mice and Rabbits in Winter.

Mice do much injury in winter to young trees and plants, as well as ively.
the growing lettuce and cauliflowers in hot-beds. We have got rid of them in the hot-bed by the use of arsenic mixed with Indian meal placed wester that a compact body may be secur-

Rabbits, in case of deep snows remaining on the ground for a long time are much more destructive to young arces than mice. They will which he wi clear a tree of its bark for two feet Pine street. killing it outright. The best remedy we know for this is to catch as many as possible by setting numerous traps, and if this is not sufficient to get rid of them, feed them regularly with vegetables. They are particularly fond of calbages and apples, but will est vegetables of almost any kind before attacking the

We have known this method to be tried with entire success, but they must be properly tried, and not left until half an orchard or garden is destroyed .- Germantown Telegraph.

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GENERAL DISTRIBUTION OF TIME. In order to methodize all the operations of the schools and obtain due time for sleep, food, care of the person, study, work, worship and play, the following hours will be observed :

1sr. Pupils will rise a' out 5 o'clock in April, May, June, July, August and September; and about 6 o'clock in October, November, December, January, February and March, except such details in succession as may be required earlier to attend to special duties—such as making fires, cooking, feeding animals, &c. hours, however, may be varied, according

to the month within the above limits. 2ND. The first 30 minutes after rising shall be devoted to washing the face, neck teeth and hands, combing the hair, and arranging the clothing, &c., for inspection; the next 15 minutes to inspection of the person and clothing by the proper officer, and the last 15 minutes of the hour before breakfast, to morning worship.

3RD. Breakfast shall be on the table and the pupils called in a 6 o'clock in the summer half year, and at 7 o'clock in the winter; and the pupils shall be allowed a full half hour for the meal.

4TH. The time between breakfast and the opening of school shall be allowed for play the whole year round; except in Haytime and Harvest, when the pupils shall be permitted to aid in the light and pleasant labors of the season, till the regular school hour.

5TH The school shall open with the calling of the roll, at 15 minutes before 8 o'clock in the morning, and continue till 114 o'clock, with 15 minutes of recess at 10 o'clock.

7ти. Dinner shall be on the table at 12 o'clock, and the pupils shall have a full half hour at table.

7TH. The time between dinner and the opening of school shall be for play, except for such pupils as, in their turn. shall be detailed for special duty.

8тн. The school shall re open at 1 o'. elock, p. m., and continue till 43, p. m., with a recess of 15 minutes at 3 o'clock, 9TH. The first halt-hour close of school shall be devoted to Military Drill by the boys and proper physical exercise of the

girls; and the remaining time till supper to play, except by pupils specially detailed for work, in their regular turn.

10th. Supper shall be served and pupils

called to it at 6 o'clock, all the year round, and a half hour allowed for the meal. 11TH. The half hour between supper

12th. From 7 to 8 o'clock in summe and to 9 o clock in winter, shall be spent in the main study hall, and under the eve of the Proprietor of the school himself. in exercises of vocal music, declaration, reading essays, writing essays and letters Brilond, always keeping full blood- familiar lectures, miscellaneous reading, ed cocks of both breeds, and chang- &c.; an evening part of an evening in each week, as the Principal shall direct, being devoted to each of these or othe

similar employments. 13TH After family worship, in the study hall, the pupils shall retire to their rooms at 8 o'clock in summer and 9 o'clock in winter, and all lights in bed rooms shall be extinguished at the end of 15 minutes from those hours respect-

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CHURCH INCIDENT .- A minister of western village found, one Sabbath, a on old dishes or pieces of shingle.—
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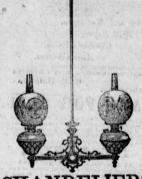
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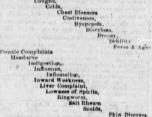
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