

Farm Topics

AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT.

Bone meal is a very essential element in the food of fowls in confinement. When fowls run at large they can get all the mineral food they need wandering over the fields but when they are kept in close quarters they will soon consume every particle of animal, vegetable and mineral matter they can find in the yard. They are so constituted that they must have these things in order to do the best.

PRODUCES CHOLERA.

Pigs that are confined on a lot and not allowed to forage for grass will be subject to cholera. Exercise is an aid to digestion and health, and the use of clean food and water are better than remedies. It is a mistake to keep pigs in pens and filth in summer. Exercise may not be of advantage to hogs that are being fattened, but for growing pigs it is beneficial. The great danger in raising pigs during warm weather is not a lack of food, but too much of it. If they are on a lot where they can secure a large share of their food they will need only a mess of bran and skimmed milk at night to be kept in good condition.

RAISE THINGS.

One way to keep up an interest in farming is to be constantly producing new generations of animals and plants. Do not depend on buying all the animals needed, but learn to raise them on the farm. So, too, of orchard trees and the small fruits; buy a few to get a start and the increase by propagation. The animals and plants of most value are those raised and watched while they are growing. Of flowering plants and shrubs, too, we should be on the lookout to have some new ones started, by division or otherwise, to give to friends or to exchange with neighbors. We know of nothing that will endear children to the farm house like having live things of their own to raise and care for.

WHERE MOSS GROWS.

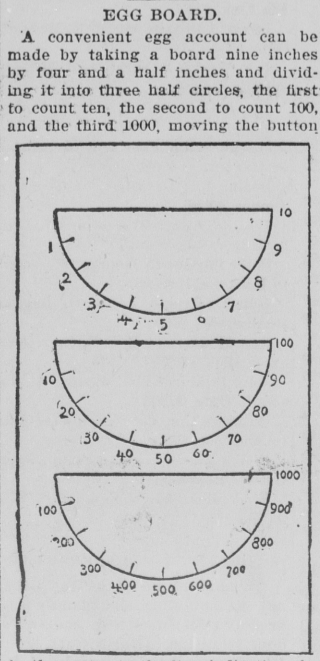
It's where there is continuous moisture because it actually dreads sunshine or sunlit places. It's in a level location, where winds are infrequent, and it grows thickest on the north side of a tree, usually, or else upon a steep hillside of a northern exposure. We see moss growing abundantly, even rankly, upon stumps, rocks, and on sides of trees quite thickly. The woodmen have a saying that "Moss grows thickest on the north side of a tree." That is somewhat reliable in a timbered country in the north wood, but hardly elsewhere, it seems. To tell the north-south directions, the bark must be girdled with a hatchet, whereupon it will be found thickest on the north-north-east side of the bark.—Miss F. L. Risley, in The Epitome.

FEEDING FARROWING SOWS.

Many first-class breeders are ruined at farrowing time by over feeding as well as by neglect of the bowels. If the sow has been properly fed during the several months of pregnancy she is not likely to become constipated, although this is a condition of many individual animals regardless of the food. In such cases the sow should be given a dose of Epsom salts, one-quarter of a pound as soon after the pigs are dropped as she becomes comfortable. We find it a good plan to make the sow go without food entirely for the first twenty-four hours after farrowing and then feed her a little warm milk or water with the chills taken off. After that until the pigs begin to clamor for milk she is fed lightly on grain made with bran and milk. Gradually she is put on full rations and if given good care can be turned into pasture with the pigs in two weeks, provided, of course, the pasture and the weather permit. This sort of care is what makes it possible to have two litters of pigs a year and there are few sows but what will go through in good shape if given the proper care.—Indianapolis News.

EGG BOARD.

A convenient egg account can be made by taking a board nine inches by four and a half inches and dividing it into three half circles, the first to count ten, the second to count 100, and the third 1000, moving the button



In the center of the line indicating the number of eggs gathered. On the back of the board can be kept an account of eggs and chicks sold each month.—Theo. H. Selb, Rush Hill, Mo.

NEWSPAPER WOMEN OF THE FUTURE

Higher Grade of Work and Less Sensational Exploitations Will Be Demanded.

"Touching the sensational reporting formerly done by women, it may be said that such work has had its day," writes Elizabeth G. Jordan in the Ladies' Home Journal. "Women no longer go down in diving costumes, nor go up in balloons, nor fall in front of cable cars to test the practical working of the fenders. In justice to the women reporters who did work of that kind, it should be added that many of them—indeed, the majority of them—were good and modest girls, who accepted such assignments under protest, and only because the editor called on them for the work, and their living depended on their acquiescing. With the passing of the sensational specialties should be chronicled the decline of the woman's columns and the woman's departments. They, also, have had their day.

"To meet those and other changes, the newspaper woman of the twentieth century will be a new type, and much will be expected of her. She will be a well-educated, well-balanced, cool-headed and practically trained person, with a body as carefully trained as her mind. She will know more about the English language than do most of her sisters of to-day, yet not a bit more than she will need to know. The newspaper woman of the future will have passed the experimental stake of her professional work. Concessions to her will be no longer made, excuses for her no longer accepted. She will be out of the ranks of the amateurs and in line with the professionals. She must stand or fall by the same tests as are given to the man at the desk beside hers."

WISE WORDS.

BY B. J. FREDERICKS.

An overlooked virtue in young men is that of keeping a promise.

A girl hasn't much use for a young man who attempts to kiss her and then quits.

There is neither profit nor pleasure in the companionship of men who think and talk lightly of women.

Avoid companionship with men who prate of their conquests, and who delight to talk continually about themselves.

Doubtless endorsed notes and certified checks have taken the place of church connections in establishing credits and commercial relations.

Virtue is essentially a condition of youth. Old people do not lay claim to virtue; they insist that they have other exactions that must be lived up to.

The boy with curly hair seldom becomes anything more than the man with curly hair. He was, and is, only a plaything for the feminine sex.

If you must go into debt avoid your relatives and close friends. You will prevent arousing the hatred of the former and retain the friendship of the latter.

All the wisdom of the sages and the bitter experiences of centuries do not combine to convince some young men that there are really some things in this world beside gratifying personal pleasures.

Do not grope in the dark. Wait until you see some light. I do not care how faint the light may be, but let there be at least some light before making a move. It is just as hard to retreat in the dark as it is to advance.

Insect Resembles a Beautiful Flower.

Living specimens of a queer insect have lately been shown in Cambridge, England. They were brought from Rangoon by Captain C. E. Williams. The insect is a species of mantis, and its body and legs are both shaped and colored to resemble a beautiful flower. It feeds on butterflies, and while it is lying in wait for them under a spray of leaves it looks exactly like a blue cress with a black spot in the center resembling the tube of a carolla. The black part of the body is drawn out into a long green stalk. The resemblance to a flower is perfect, and butterflies and other insects light on it in search of nectar and are immediately seized by its fatal claws.—Philadelphia Record.

Wars and Wars.

Two watchmen at the Treasury Department in Washington last evening were anxiously perusing the evening papers. One of them was skimming over the columns of war news, being deeply interested in the developments in the Russian-Japan situation.

"'Bout time for another naval engagement over there in the Yellow Sea," he remarked.

The other was from Ohio, where the Foraker and Dick factions are engaged.

"I don't care a cuss about that war over in the Far East and the battles in the Yellow Sea," he answered. "What I'm anxious about is the war out near Lake Erie."

Tolstoi's Outdoor Life.

Still vigorous at the age of seventy-five years, Count Leo Tolstoi nearly every day either takes a ride on his favorite horse, goes for a walk under the Linden trees with his daughter Alexandra, or, in company with his great wolfhound, tramps over the broad acres of the famous estate of Yasnaya Polyana. Tolstoi has long been an ardent out-of-doors man; in early life a hurdle rider of no mean accomplishments, a hunter, and an athlete; in later years a pedestrian, to whom twelve miles a day was an average walk, and to whom a day in the saddle was as nothing.—Outing.

Might Be Dangerous Here.

A sign of politeness in Tibet, on meeting a person, is to hold up the clasped hand and stick out the tongue.

DOCTOR ADVOCATED OPERATION—PE-RU-NA MADE KNIFE UNNECESSARY.

MRS. EVA BARTHO, 123 East 12th St., New York City, N. Y., writes: "I suffered for three years with leucorrhea and ulceration of the womb. The doctor advocated an operation which I dreaded very much, and strongly objected to go under it. Now I am a changed woman. Peruna cured me; it took nine bottles, but I felt so much improved I kept taking it, as I dreaded an operation so much. I am to-day in perfect health and have not felt so well for fifteen years."—Mrs. Eva Bartho.

Mrs. Senator Roach, of Larimore, N. Dak.; Mrs. Senator Warren, of Cheyenne, Wyo.; Belva Lockwood and Mrs. General Longstreet, of Washington, D. C., are among the prominent ladies who indorse Peruna.

Miss Helen Rolot, Kankakee, Wis., writes: "Several times during the past two years my system has been greatly in need of a tonic, and at those times Peruna has been of great help in building up the system, restoring my appetite and securing restful sleep."—Helen Rolot.

Miss Muriel Armitage, 38 Greenwood Ave., Detroit, Mich., District Organizer of the Royal Templars of Temperance, writes as follows: "I suffered for five years with uterine irregularities, which brought on hysteria and made me a physical wreck. I tried doctors from the different schools of medicine, but without any perceptible change in my condition. In my despair I called on an old nurse, who advised me to try Peruna, and promised good results if I would persist and take it regularly. I kept this up for six months, and steadily gained strength and health, and when I had used fifteen bottles I considered myself entirely cured. I am a grateful, happy woman to-day."—Miss Muriel Armitage.

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MRS. EVA BARTHO.

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