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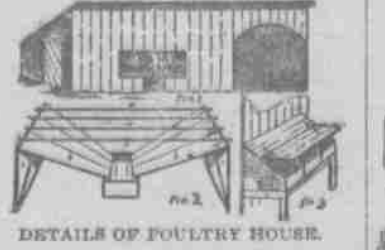
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## POULTRY & BEES

### GOOD POULTRY HOUSE.

The henhouse here shown has proved very satisfactory. It is 20 feet long, ten feet wide, seven feet high in front and four feet in rear. The scratching shed is eight feet long and should be on the east end. The window is two by five feet eight inches, using glass 12 by 16 inches. It is one foot from floor, which admits sunshine over most of the floor surface and does not give too much light on roosts, which is undesirable. A small door with slide arrangement is cut beneath window for fowls to go in and out. The large door is two by six feet another door of like dimensions should be cut in east side of house proper to allow entrance to scratching shed. In severe weather a canvas can be hung inside over the wire front. Nests are arranged in the intervening spaces, 18 inches above floor, around the front and two ends. The roosts are the full length of the rear and extend six feet from back wall toward the front. These should be three feet high and built as in Fig. 2. This allows ample room to clean underneath and to lift out the troughs. The roosting poles are on a level and at each end fitted snugly into sawed notches. All can be easily removed for cleaning, as may the bottom of the nests (Fig. 3), which have short, movable boards for the floor of the nests. Drinking cans or troughs are arranged just under the window; dust and grit boxes likewise. A house similarly constructed, with all useful inside arrangements, can be built for \$23. If lined with light building paper it will be nearly frost proof and easily kept free of vermin. Any kind of a floor can be made, but I prefer a raised earthen floor. Muck or clay well packed, then wet thoroughly, will after drying make a floor that can be swept. Sand should be thrown over it after cleaning and before litter is put in the house.—American Agriculturist.



DETAILS OF POULTRY HOUSE.

**THE ITALIAN BEE.**  
 Why It is More Profitable Than the Common Stock and Superior to the Hybrids.  
 The Italian is the most profitable bee. Even the hybrids are much superior to the common bee. Sometimes there are colonies of hybrids that are better than the pure stock. But, as a writer correctly said: "Even if it were true that hybrids produce as much honey as pure Italians, each beekeeper would want at least one queen of absolute and known purity; for although a first cross might do very well, unless he had this one pure queen to furnish queen cells he would soon have hers of all possible grades, from the faintest trace of Italian blood, all the way up. The objection to this course is that these blacks, with about one hand to show trace of Italian blood, are the wickedest bees to sting that can well be imagined, being very much more vindictive than either race in its purity; they also have a very disagreeable way of tumbling off the combs in a perfectly demoralized state whenever the hive is opened, except in the height of the honey season, and of making a general uproar when they are compelled, by smoke, to be decent. Our pure Italian stocks can be opened at any time and their queens removed, scarcely disturbing the cluster, and as a general thing without the use of any smoke at all, by one who is fully conversant with the habits of bees. A good many hybrids will not fill the comb, as do the half-bloods and the pure Italians. For these reasons and several others, rear all queens from one of our pure Italy. If we do this we may have most if not quite the full benefit of the Italians as honey gatherers, even though there are black bees all about us."  
**AMONG THE POULTRY.**  
 Beans are a good feed because they are nitrogenous.  
 Eggs sell better when sent to market in regular cases.  
 The laying hen consumes more food than one not laying.  
 The early pullets are the profitable winter egg producers.  
 Ten hens with one male make about the proper proportion.  
 Ten weeks from shell to market is the time allotted a chick.  
 Keep cabbage hanging in the house within reach of the fowls.  
 Ten flocks, each consisting of ten hens, are enough for an acre.  
 Egg shells ground in a powder make a good addition to the mash.  
 Steeped clover with the morning mash is a great egg-producer.  
 Scatter the grain at noon among litter, so the fowls must exercise.  
 Corn should not be fed exclusively. It should be only a night feed in very cold weather.—Rural World.

**Mass Business Ability.**  
 Old Hardcash—I've decided to take young Sharp'sigh into business with me as soon as he and my daughter get back from their honeymoon.  
 Bullion Bonds—But I thought you saw no good in the fellow.  
 Old Hardcash—I didn't at first, but I've changed my mind. I told him he couldn't have my daughter till he had at least \$1,000 in the bank. He got me to put it in writing, and then went out and borrowed the \$1,000 on the strength of becoming my son-in-law. Such business ability as that mustn't be allowed to go to waste.—Tit-Bits.

**The Self-Preclaimed Navies.**  
 "No," said Bronco Bob, "we jest let that young fellow from the east alone."  
 "He seems harmless enough."  
 "Yes. But he goes around asking people to teach him to play poker. We've been caught once or twice by that same low-down hypocrite 'an' we don't intend to get careless any more."  
 —Washington Star.

**Penalty of Delay.**  
 I thought the enterprise too great  
 And so I never began it.  
 A fool rushed in to see me wait  
 And he it was who won it.  
 —Chicago Times-Herald.

### WHERE MAN SCORES.



**Rev. Mr. Wrangley—O, I grant you, Miss Cobb, that women are men's equals in intellect; but where we of the male sex have the pull is in our physical superiority, don't you think?**  
 —The King.

**And There Are Others.**  
 He slept beneath the shadowy moon,  
 He layed beneath the glowing sun;  
 He lived a life of going to do—  
 But he died with nothing done.  
 —Chicago Daily News.

**An Extreme Case.**  
 His Wife—Well, I never thought Bill Green was fool enough to get humped like that!  
 The Farmer—But that ain't the worst of it. He's fool enough to think that maybe the police'll give his money back—an' that they'll give it to him if they don't—Puck.

**Somewhat Qualified Praiser.**  
 "Do you consider her a woman of intelligence?"  
 "Well, she certainly is a woman of good understanding."  
 "What do you mean by that?"  
 "She has shapely feet." — Chicago Post.

**The Beginning of It.**  
 Wife—Do you mean to insinuate that your judgment is superior to mine?  
 Husband—Certainly not, my dear. Our choice of life partners proves it isn't.—Chicago Daily News.

**Undoubtedly.**  
 "Great Scott!" exclaimed the man who had been reading, "how barbarous our ancestors were!"  
 "That's right," said his friend. "They must have been even more barbarous than we are."—Brooklyn Life.

**A Field for the Imagination.**  
 Mrs. Pessing—All sorts of stories are going around about the Spilkiness.  
 Mrs. Snoop—No wonder! They've been living in the neighborhood a month and nobody knows anything about them.—Puck.

**Household Etiquette.**  
 Mr. Kawdle—I wish you wouldn't interrupt me every time I try to say something. Do I ever break in when you are talking?  
 Mrs. Kawdle—No, you wretch! You go to sleep!—Tit-Bits.

**Perplexing.**  
 "Strange—strange—strange! Before my wife went to the country I never could find the latchkey before I went out. Now that she's away I can't ever find it after I've been out."  
 —Meggendorfer's Blatter.

**The Why and Wherefore.**  
 Peter—Why should the anchor be the symbol of hope?  
 Patrie—Well, I suppose it is because when a girl tells a man there is hope she expects to anchor him. —Yonkers Statesman.

**One Thing Needed.**  
 Nell—Now that you have a new engagement ring, of course you are perfectly happy.  
 Beas—No, not quite; I haven't found out what it cost yet.—Chicago Daily News.

**Had It.**  
 Sillicus—I was awfully downhearted before I got sagged. I married for sympathy.  
 Cynicus—Well, you've got mine.—Philadelphia Record.

**Qualified for the Work.**  
 "Nature," said the sad-eyed man, "cut me out for a burglar."  
 "How do you know?"  
 "Because she provided me with a bad case of insomnia." —Chicago Post.

**Gastronomic Danger.**  
 "What is the 'yellow peril'?"  
 "What is it? You know as well as I do that mighty few women can make good pumpkin pies." —Chicago Record.

**Profoundly Impressed.**  
 "There's an use 'o' talkin'," said Bronco Bob, "this eastern education is splendid."  
 "Have you visited any of our public schools?"  
 "Yes, and they are fine. That scheme of havin' all the children hold up their hands every time the teacher speaks to 'em is great. It gives 'em practical trainin' for the real battle of life, in which knowin' when to throw up both hands 'an' doin' it in a hurry may mean so much." —Washington Star.

**Liable to Seizure.**  
 "This," said the freight handler, "is a box of feathers."  
 "What kind of feathers?" inquired the agent.  
 "Tall feathers of roosters. Shipped from New York military concern out here."  
 "Well, just put down one box of Manhattan cocktails." —Chicago Daily News.

**Wanting a Reputation.**  
 He wouldn't run in debt,  
 And so the people said it  
 Was for the reason that  
 No man would give him credit.  
 —Chicago Times-Herald.

**ONE ON HIS PAPA.**  
 Teacher—You will have to bring me an excuse for your absence yesterday from your father.  
 Willie—Aw! he ain't no good on excuses; ma catches him every time.—Washington Star.

**Two of a Kind.**  
 "They say the barber looks like me," said Mr. Newbedded.  
 "The cutt' himself, I can see. Is that we're both baldheaded." —Philadelphia Press.

**Pardonable.**  
 Gentleman—See here! I'm not going to pay any such rates as you charge. Do you think I'm a fool?  
 Calman (apologetically)—What else could I think, sir, when you took a cab instead of a street car?—N. Y. Weekly.

**The Impossible.**  
 "He is awfully nice," she sobbed, "but I can't—I can't."  
 "Can't what?" queried her mother.  
 "Give up my name of Willoughby for his of Snobkins," was the tearful answer.—Tit-Bits.

**Able Financiering.**  
 Grocer—Well, little one, what can I do for you?  
 Jenny—Please, sir, mamma says will you change a dollar for her and she'll give you the dollar to-morrow.—N. Y. World.

**The Fickle Fair.**  
 Cobwigger—Howell says the women read books while the men read the papers.  
 Merritt—That accounts for the fact that the popular novel changes as often as the fashions.—Judge.

**Too Talkative.**  
 Willie—Just one more question, pa. Our Sunday school teacher says I'm made of dust. Am I?  
 Pa—I guess not. If you were you'd dry up once in awhile.—Philadelphia Press.

**Another Misgender Broken.**  
 Tommy—My sister Ethel has lots of trouble with her teeth.  
 Mr. Warrington—Does she?  
 Tommy—Yes, she dropped 'em on the floor last week and broke 'em.—Somerville Journal.

**Experience.**  
 Husband—It is a great pity that women are not eligible as income tax collectors.  
 Wife—Why?  
 Husband—So many of them are admirably qualified.—Harlem Life.

**The Plot That Failed.**  
 "Arabella doesn't look at all happy."  
 "No; she married a man younger than herself under the impression that he would be more manageable than an older one." —Chicago Record.

**Giving Away a Secret.**  
 "You'd better eat it slow," said Johnny to the elegyman, who was dining with the family. "Mamma never gives more'n one piece of pie." —Chicago Tribune.

**Born Lucky.**  
 "Tommy," said his gentle-faced grandmother, "you're a regular little glutton. How can you eat so much?"  
 "Don't know, granny. S'pose it's just good luck." —Tit-Bits.

**Exceptions.**  
 "I know it is said," averred Uncle Allen Sparks, "that every family has a black sheep, but sometimes it isn't a black sheep at all—it's an old goat." —Chicago Tribune.

**Appropriately Named.**  
 Jones—Why do you call Mr. and Mrs. Would-be-Swell "the breezes?"  
 Jiggs—You know what breezes do, don't you?—Town Topics.

**Said.**  
 Hummers—I've a '30' are stuck on that latest song of mine?  
 Summers—Well, I bought a copy of it; yes.—Yonkers Statesman.

## FARM GARDEN

### CORN SMUT BEC IBED.

**Little Evidence is at Hand to Prove That It is Injurious or Dangerous to Stock.**  
 Prof. Plumb, in his work on Corn Culture, says: "Smut, as seen by the farmer, is either a distorted, greenish-white piece of vegetable tissue, or a mass of black greasy powder, which generally appears breaking out from an ear of corn or from the leaf of stalk when green or succulent. The source is a simple, tubular, minute plant, too small to be seen by the naked eye. It grows in the tissues of the



SMUT BREAKING OUT ON AN EAR OF CORN.

corn plant, and feeds upon its juice. These little plants, of which there are vast numbers, branch out in tubular form when they find a spot in the corn plant that is especially nourishing. Then, inside these tubes, minute bodies termed spores (seeds) develop, and finally the spot becomes a mass of spores, and then all of the little plants except the spores wither away. The dark-colored, loose smut, is mostly the mass of spores, of which there are countless numbers.  
 Smut is generally thought by farmers to be injurious to stock, yet but little satisfactory evidence is at hand to prove that such is the case, as it commonly enters.

### HIRED-HELP PROBLEM.

**His Solution Pleases Western Farmers as Well as Housekeepers in the Large Cities.**  
 It is the hired-help problem that have not yet been able to solve. I have to pay good prices. Day hands have commanded \$1.50 a day right along this summer, and it is mostly unrelieved help at that. So if I desire to reap any profits on their labor at ordinary prices of produce I have to look after them pretty closely, and if you able work with them right along, I contracted to have my corn cut at \$1.50 an acre rather than pay \$1.50 a day. The corn was heavy, but the man cut five acres in about 3 1/2 days. At day wages it would have taken him five or six days to cut that number of acres. Years ago, I remember when we had hands eradicating and binding grain or digging potatoes, the practice was to "race" it; that is, to see who could cut or bind his swiftest or dig his row of potatoes the quickest. It kept everyone on the move and the work progressed at a good rate. The employer never had reason to find fault with his men for idleness or shirking. Every hand was ready to give his best service, and the "racing" feature seemed to be a great stimulus; indeed, rather an enforcement. But times seem to have changed. Many of the helpers of the present day work only for what the can get out of the job.—Farm and Fireside.

### FACTS FOR FARMERS.

It is easier to start right than to go right after having been wrong.  
 Horse manure, land plaster and road dust are good absorbents in the stable. They take up the liquid and also prevent escape of nitrogen.  
 A dose for skunks which settles the surely is made by mixing strychnine with the contents of an egg and placing it inside the shell. Take care that only the right animal gets the bait.  
 Gasoline engines are being used to quite an extent in Ohio. The cost of operating is much less than for steam. There is less danger than from steam and no time is wasted in getting up steam.—T. B. Terry, in Farm and Fireside.

### Iron Paint for the Farm.

The next time you are near a freight car just take the point of your knife and try the paint. The reason the paint is used is because of its wearing and wood-preserving qualities. Every farmer should keep his farm machinery in repair and well painted. The paint is used in the best, which will prove cheapest. The paint which the experience of railroads has proven the best will also be found best for the farm. Iron paint is the best paint. This is a "boom" for any particular brand.—J. L. Irwin, in Ohio Farmer.

### How to Figure Profits.

The larger the crop per acre the lower the cost and the greater the profit. It has been shown that, including labor interest on capital, wear of implements, etc., a crop of 15 bushels of wheat per acre costs about 48 cents per bushel. With the same labor a crop of 30 bushels will cost 27 cents per bushel. There may be no profit at all on 15 bushels, while 30 bushels per acre may give a fair profit, much, however, depending on the market prices, the farm and distance from market.

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