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Before Allowing an Operation

Please Read These Two Letters.

The following letter from Mrs. Orville Rock will prove how unwise it is for women to submit to the dangers of a surgical operation when it may be avoided by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. **She was four weeks in the hospital and came home suffering worse than before.** Then after all that suffering Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound restored her health.

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"THERE NEVER WAS A WORSE CASE."

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DR. L. G. SIGLER,

HOW ANIMALS KEEP WARM.

Why They Fluff Out Their Fur Or Their Feathers—Quails Frozen Under Bank.

One day in the early part of the winter I had my camera pointed at the distant snow-covered woods, says a writer in St. Nicholas, when my attention was attracted by the sight of two rabbits crouching together at the foot of a hollow tree. I had often seen rabbits sitting in this position in a cage and knew that it was a habit among the members of the rabbit family to sit side by side for mutual warmth, sometimes heads together and sometimes head to tail.

Every naturalist is familiar with the fact that quail will cluster together under an overhanging bank. A naturalist told me that he once found quail in such a situation partly imbedded in the ice and frozen. It appears that the birds went there for mutual warmth; then came a rain and the water trickling down the bank, thoroughly soaker the birds, froze before morning and thus held them prisoners.

The thoughtful poultry man does not let his hens go around the yard in winter, as was the old-time custom, but keeps them in warm sheds with glass fronts. Hens dislike to have their feet touch snow or ice. If they do so the hens try to keep them warm by lifting up first one and then the other and holding it under the feathers.

During the greater part of the day hens, when left to run about the yard, will get on a piece of wood and seemingly go to roost. What they are trying to do is to keep their feet warm. The better method is to house the hens in a dry place where they can scratch clean straw and thus have exercise and at the same time keep their feet from the snow or the ice.

The cat has a similar habit of getting on a high fence or a board in some sunny place and then, turning her paws inward, so that no part remains uncovered by fur and exposed to the cold.

The dog that is apparently shivering with intense cold is not really shivering, but is voluntarily "flicking" his body muscles, and is thus aiding the circulation, much as the circulation in your hands is aided by rubbing them together or by rapidly opening and closing your fingers, or as the circulation in your arms is hastened by whipping them around your body.

The thick coat of wool on the sheep is the best protective covering, not only because it prevents the cold air from touching the surface of the body, but because the great amount of air entangled within it keeps the heat of the body from passing freely away, while the mass of wool itself keeps the external air from rapidly cooling the imprisoned warm air, and thus cooling the body. But when the winter is unusually severe even the sheep show their desire for warmth by crowding against a shed or a haystack to protect their faces and legs from the searching wind that forces its way through the wool and forces out the warm hair entangled there.

The gray squirrel is heavily furred in cold weather, but he delights to snuggle down in the net within the hollow tree amid the dry grass, dead leaves and tree dust which he has collected to make his warm and cozy quarters.

Warm air is a poor conductor of heat. For this reason loose clothing is warmer than tight. The warm air between it and the skin prevents the heat of the body from escaping rapidly. Birds and other animals take advantage of this law of nature. A sparrow in the crevice of a wall is not only warming his feet against the sunny stone, but he is pretty sure to have his feathers so "fluffed" up that he seemed to be much bigger than natural, because he is letting the air under his feathers get warm to protect his body.

HARD EARNED WAGES.

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Touching up Purgatory and restoring lost souls	3 06
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	$67 30.

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Draw up about the fire a little closer. Nice in here, even when the drifts are high outside.

Take the frost out of your grindstone before you grind the ax, but do it gradually, and not by using too hot water. That would injure the stone.

Don't put off till spring any outside work that can be done now. Clean up the garden, haul out manure, and when possible push the plowing before snow flies.

Keep wide paths shoveled to every outbuilding. Help to open the roads when heavy snows drift them, whether you are called out by the pathmaster or not. See that the stock is sheltered from the cold every day and night.

While waiting impatiently for the State to repair that mud-hole, washout or other bad place in the highway, wouldn't it be a good idea to take a few hours off and fix it yourself? If every farmer spent a few hours, occasionally, working on the roads, our highways would soon show a decided improvement. Let us not only talk good roads—let us work bad roads!

From December *Farm Journal.*

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1 Dozen Boxes Matches for only	5c
1 Spool Clark's O. N. T. or Whilliamantic Cotton	3½c
1 Dozen Spools Colored Cotton for only	9c
$1.00 Bed Blankets for only	49c
25c and 50c Men's and Boys' Caps for only	15c
1 Box Light House Cleaner for only	3c
½ lb Package Royal Dragon Tea for only	12½c

We have many other bargains in Groceries, Notions, Clothing and Oils to be sold at sacrifice prices.

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