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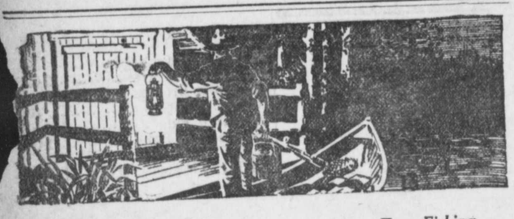
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POULTRY NOTES.



The TRANSCRIPT will begin this week a series of poultry notes, taken from the best authorities, and as long as we have space for them they will appear from week to week. Here is our first article take from the New York Sun:

Many poultry raisers believe that the sooner pullets start laying the greater financial returns will be, but this is not always the case. It is not advisable to have pullets laying before October at the earliest, except in the few cases where winter eggs are not wanted. If the birds start laying earlier than October they are very apt to stop laying when the cold weather comes around, and probably will not start again until the winter is nearly over. If they start laying by July or August, as very early hatched pullets sometimes do, they usually moult in the fall and do not lay again until February. But it is equally bad if they do not start laying by the middle of November, as they probably will not start in until the end of January at the earliest and perhaps not until the end of February or the beginning of March.

The time the pullets are hatched has more to do with the time they start laying than anything else, but the system of feeding has considerable to do with making the birds shift for themselves until they are matured. In every case they should receive free range and be fed only once a day, about 3 or 4 o'clock in the afternoon being the best time. The food should be only dry grain, and oats are about as good as anything for the purpose. As soon as the early pullets freely receive nutritious foods they start laying.

Guinea hens are among the hardest of all birds to breed, chiefly because the young guinea is so extremely tender. They are also of a very wild nature, and when one of them is lost from the hen it may be counted as lost. It is advisable to keep the young guineas shut for a few days after they are hatched and feed them on bread crumbs, coarse corn meal and occasionally a hard boiled egg, ground fine and mixed with the crumbs. After they leave the hen, if the days are warm and bright, they are allowed to hunt bugs and worms and require little feeding. After they are feathered out they need little care, as they are able to shift for themselves until the winter cuts off their supply of food. In winter they must have shelter, and be fed the same as other poultry, but must be kept shut in when there is snow on the ground, as they will fly into the tops of trees or on roofs of buildings, and refuse to come down.

One of the best seasons for purchasing geese is during the latter part of the year, for then the birds have a chance to settle down properly before the laying season, which in the case of geese begins at the end of January. It is advisable to start upon a small scale and run two geese to each gander. They should be kept in roomy, dry floored quarters that are well ventilated without being draughty. Use dry straw as litter and renew frequently. When the birds are of the right type the young usually take after them in this respect, but to assure size it is necessary that early eggs be produced, for unless the young are hatched early they have no time to develop before the cold days are encountered. The way to produce early eggs is to see that the birds are well fed during the autumn, a time when much of the natural food picked up is apt to be short of nutriment.

Hicks' Forecasts For February

Regular storm period is central on the 1st, covering the last two days of January, up to February 4th. The month will come in with rising temperature and falling barometer in western sections, followed by general rains, turning to snow as rain areas progress eastwardly across the country. These storms all reach culminating proportions on and touching the 2d, 3rd and 4th. Tendency to rising barometer and cold wave behind these storms will be modified by the influence of Moon's conjunction with Earth and Sun on the 5th.

A reactionary storm period prevails from the 6th to the 9th. The influence of New Moon on the 5th, will tend to prolong low barometer and higher temperature from the preceding days, bringing renewal of rain and snow on and next to the 7th, 8th and 9th. Electrical storms, especially in southern sections, will be natural on and touching the 9th. On the 9th the moon passes over the celestial equator—a fact calling for lightning and thunder, even in winter.

A regular storm, blending with the Mercury, Earth, Mars and Jupiter perlods, is central on the 13th, extending from the 11th to the 16th. With general low barometer at this time, tropical and violent storms may be feared in southern states.

A reactionary storm period will center on and touching the 18th, 19th and 20th. Heavy sleet and snow storms will be renewed during this period, causing prolonged, wintry storms and weather.

A regular storm period runs from the 22d to the 27th, being at its center on the 24th.

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GREATEST MAN IN PUBLIC LIFE.

Congressman Lewis Thus "Sizes Up" the President-Elect.

[From The Sun Bureau.]

Washington, Jan. 19.—Congressman David J. Lewis, of Maryland, who went to Trenton last Friday for a conference with the President-elect, believes that Governor Wilson will direct the affairs of the American Government with an eye single to efficient and economic management. He believes Mr. Wilson will make a firm but tactful President and will leave behind him one of the greatest administrations in the nation's history.

These impressions were formed by Mr. Lewis during his interview with the next President. It was the first time the Marylander had seen and talked with Governor Wilson, and he is delighted with his forceful and frank character. He says he has seldom met a man who so quickly grasped legislative ideas and who has the knack of asking questions that bring to the service all sides of public problems.

"I regard him in his power of comprehension and appreciation of detail as easily the greatest man in public life today," said Mr. Lewis, speaking of the impression the Governor made upon him.

"I believe he is a thorough idealist in conception and conservative in constructive work. Like all very great men I have met, he is simple in manner and frank in utterance as a child. You will not be reminded by his characteristics that you are in the presence of one of the greatest political personages in the world, and consequently you can be perfectly at ease with him."

Horse Notes.

When a reporter visited Huber's Park, the winter quarters of Herman R. Tyson, well-known trainer and driver, last week he found the noted horseman and his assistants busy with the largest winter stable of fast horses that he has had for years. Mr. Tyson has 17 head of horses under his care this winter and he and his assistants jog them several miles on the track every day. In addition to this number, he is expecting others to arrive the first of next month.

Previous to this year Mr. Tyson wintered the string of horses under his care at stables in Newark, but because of the number being so large this winter he made arrangements to keep them at the Huber Driving park, through the winter where the arrangements are excellent and where he always trains in the spring.

The horses in the Tyson string now are: Dago, 2.11¼; Harry J. S., 2.13¼; Aero, 2.15¼; Sir Thomas Lipton, 2.15¼; John W., 2.16¼; Prince Helice, 2.16¼; Miller Boy, 2.18¼, all trotters that he had on the Southern Circuit with him last fall, with the exception of Sir Thomas Lipton. Others in his stable this winter are: Sanatel, trial record of 2.15; Dunbarton Boy, trial 2.19¼, and Gitchie Manito, 2.09¼, owned by Mr. Tyson himself. He also has Joseph K. S., trial 2.19¼; Lelia S., trial 2.30; Marie A. S. and Greta S., the last four with Harry J. S., being owned by Harry J. Stoeckle, of Wilmington; Sadie Penn and Senator Smith, three-year-olds; Josephine the Great, the property of William Althouse, of Phœnixville, a fast trotting filly, entered in the futurities and Manito Boy, a promising two-year-old, owned by former Levy Courtman Daniel Thompson. Manito Boy is by Gitchie Manito and out of the dam of Delia March, a mare owned by Mr. Thompson, who has been queen of the snowpath here for the past two years.

Now that John Moffett has sold his fine little mare, Nellie Moko, it is up to him to purchase another roadster that will make the boys sit up and take notice at the local matinees.

The members of the Chestertown Driving Association held an important meeting at the office of the president, Mr. James G. Beck, on Thursday evening. The association has recently increased its capital stock to $10,000 to enable them to build a grand stand, exhibition building and an enclosure for the grounds in the spring. A fine stable has recently been completed at Radcliffe Park. The building is 100x38 feet, and contains 20 commodious stalls. This gives fine accommodations for 36 horses at the track, and more stable room will be added as the occasion requires. The association is arranging the Maryland-Virginia Circuit, and they will attend a meeting in Baltimore in the near future to ask for dates of three days of the week following Easton fair, when they propose to have three days of fine racing for which they will offer purses of $300 each.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Fannie Hepbron, beloved wife of ex-Senator Wm. T. Hepbron, died on Monday, January 29th. The funeral services where held at her late home, near Kennedyville, on Wednesday, the 22d, at two o'clock P. M. Her pastor, Rev. F. X. Moore, officiated, and was assisted by Rev. Sewell Hepbron, a relative of the bereaved family. The remains were interd in the family lot in Still Pond cemetery.

For fifty-eight years she and Senator Hepbron had lived together in the happy bonds of matrimony. Hence one can readily imagine what her demise means to her aged husband who is left to continue the declining years of his life's journey alone. His affliction elicits the profound sympathy of all.

For more than half a century Mrs. Hepbron was an active and consistent member of the Still Pond Methodist Episcopal Church. Many good and noble deeds are recorded to her credit, and her memory will linger in the minds and hearts of the many who have found comfort and inspiration in her kind acts and holy influence. She lived to be 76 years of age, more than half of which time she was a great sufferer from the disease which finally resulted in her death. But, notwithstanding her suffering, she was usually cheerful and never complained.

Beside her husband, three daughters remain to mourn her loss—Mrs. J. L. Usilton, Mrs. Robt. Hill and Mrs. Chas. L. Gill.

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