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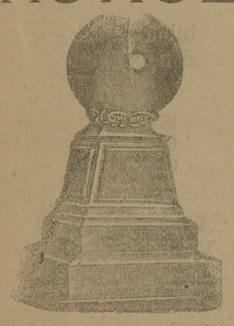

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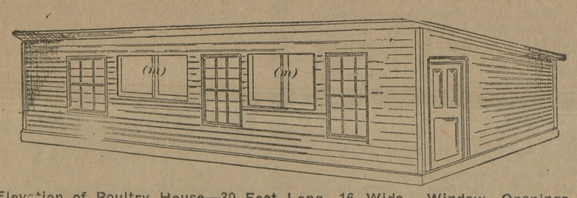


Elevation of Poultry House—30 Feet Long, 16 Wide. Window Openings (m) Are Four Feet High and Five Long; This Is Divided, Each Frame Being Two by Two and One-Half Feet.

In response to a query for a design for a poultry house to accommodate 125 fowls, the Country Gentleman makes the following reply:

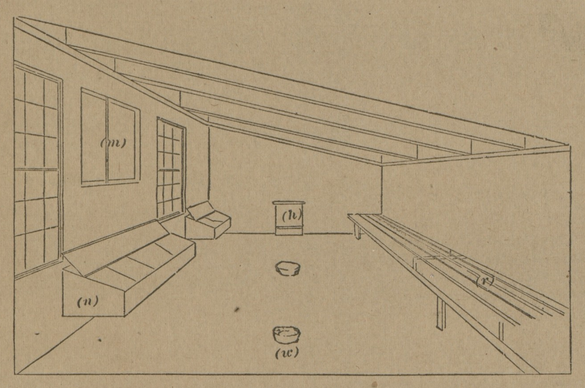
For 125 fowls, the arrangement of the house illustrated is ideal. It can be built on any farm; it will shelter and protect poultry in the coldest climate; and egg production should be plentiful in such a house during the coldest winter weather, providing the poultry are properly fed.

The building is 16 feet wide and 30 long; the elevation in front is ten feet and five in the rear. This gives a good fall for the roof and provides sufficient height for the roosting of the fowls. The windows in the front of the house have 18 panes of eight by ten glass in each. Between the windows are four openings four feet high and two and one-half wide. These openings are closed with frames covered with heavy muslin cloth. The outside of these, as well as the glass windows, are covered with half-inch mesh poultry netting. This is to prevent the poultry getting out and sparrows from flying through the window. During the summer the frames, which are hinged at the top on the inside, are turned up against the roof, permitting free circulation of air. When air is required, the windows can be lowered from the top. The fowls can go in and out either through the main door at the end or opening may be cut through the front or rear of the building.

In the rear are roosts sufficient for 125 fowls. The four roosts occupy 25 feet each, or 100 running feet of roost poles, allowing the proper proportion of space for each hen; this would provide for 125. At each end of the building is a food hopper with three apartments. In the middle of the floor are three large crocks for water. Water fountains or pans can be used. In the front of the building, underneath the muslin covered windows, are the nest boxes, 12 inches wide and 18 deep, providing one nest for every eight hens. If needed, more nests of the same kind can be built against the side walls.

The interior view shows plainly the construction of the nest boxes, which are raised from the floor, and have a slanting lid turned down at night to prevent the hens from roosting in or on the nests. The roosts are elevated 30 inches above the floor. This allows the hens to get beneath the dropping-board and under the nests as well. The dropping-board beneath the roost should be made of tongue-and-groove flooring, with the grain of the wood toward the front. This is more easily cleaned than if laid lengthwise. The dropping-board is supported by feet which rest on the floor, and the roosts are set in grooves in the cross-pieces. A building like this is easily kept clean. The floor should be of cement. A good cement floor is always dry and clean. It should be well covered in winter with dry straw, in summer with sand or earth from the fields.

In caring for a building of this kind, the entire interior can be swept out with the broom. There are no crevices to harbor insects. The roost poles may be carried out for cleaning, and the entire dropping board sprayed with the spray pump. The nest boxes being hung against the wall, are quickly removed for cleaning. With everything removed and the entire interior swept out clean, the building is ready for spraying. The advantage of the cement floor is cleanliness and protection from vermin. The feed hoppers can be filled with dry mash or other grain, which is one of the most successful methods of feeding.



Interior View, Showing Roosts and Dropping Board (r), Water Pans (w), Nests (n), Muslin Front Window (m).

The muslin covered windows cannot be too highly recommended. No matter how cold the weather may be, the ventilation through the muslin curtains is beneficial to the poultry. The muslin shields from wind currents or drafts, but permits a free circulation of air throughout the building and prevents dampness gathering on the walls.

Oregon Hop Output.

The output of the Oregon hop fields is estimated this year at from 95,000 to 105,000 bales. Taking 100,000 bales as a fair figure, the Oregon hop crop will bring into the state, figuring on the probable price, no less than $5,500,000.

The maintenance of productive soils and profitable farming on the high-priced lands in the eastern section of the country is due largely to the intelligent use of commercial fertilizers. This statement does not mean that reliance on fertilizers alone has been the means of maintaining high crop yield, but that the judicious use of fertilizers in rotation systems, whereby the humus supply of the soil has been steadily maintained, has been the means of keeping the farm lands so productive.

Plowing for corn or other early spring crops usually begins about March 20, or as early as the weather and soil conditions will permit. The object of plowing early is to allow the soil to be thoroughly compacted by spring rains so that the sod or stubble turned under may decay readily and good capillary circulation of soil moisture become established. Sod for corn or potatoes is plowed from six to nine inches deep. Where the top soil is shallower than this it may be deepened by turning up one-half to one inch or so of subsoil at each plowing. The field is rolled or planked immediately after plowing to level the soil for harrowing and to prevent clod formations. Instead of rolling many farmers prefer to use a small, square seeding or smoothing harrow, such as is shown in Fig. 1. The field is then disk harrowed, lapping half in order to keep the field level, cross harrowing if necessary, until the soil is fine and pulverized. The disk harrow is followed by a spike-toothed or other smoothing harrow. (Fig. 2.) The use of the spike-tooth harrow is repeated every week or ten days, especially after a rain, until the time of planting. If the soil is loose and dry the field should be rolled again and the roller should be followed with a light harrow to prevent evaporation.

Practically all of the barnyard manure is applied to the corn crop. The rate of application usually ranges from ten to fifteen tons per acre, depending upon the available supply. One successful farmer, whose fields yield 75 to 80 bushels of corn to the acre, never plows under manure even on sod, but spreads it in the spring after plowing and disk harrows it under.

When ten or more tons of manure are applied to the acre, most farmers in this section consider it unnecessary to apply commercial fertilizer except on very poor land or where corn follows corn. Where fertilizer is used for corn, a few farmers follow the practice of applying to this crop 300 to 500 pounds of fertilizer containing three to four per cent. of nitrogen, eight to ten per cent. of phosphoric acid, and ten per cent. of potash. Other farmers appear to be getting as good results with corn by applying a fertilizer containing two to three per cent. of nitrogen, eight to ten per cent. of available phosphoric acid, and four to six per cent. of potash, especially in connection with an application of eight or more tons of barnyard manure. Where either crimson clover or hairy vetch, or both, are turned under as green manure, the practice among successful farmers who plant winter cover crops for green manure indicates that as good yields of corn are obtained as from an application of eight to ten tons of barnyard manure. Moreover, where these green manure crops are regularly grown the nitrogen in the commercial fertilizer may be considerably reduced, if not entirely omitted.

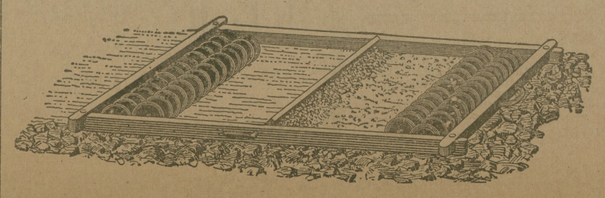


Fig. 2—Harrow for Smoothing and Leveling the Soil Behind the Plow.

SHOWED INSTINCT OF SWANS

Birds Had Learned the Trick of Ringing a Bell to Get Their Supply of Food.

During a recent visit to the cathedral city of Wells, in Somersetshire, a Scotsman correspondent was witness of a curious incident. The Episcopal palace is surrounded, just as in olden times, by a wall and a moat, the haunt of swans, ducks, and other aquatic birds. The moat is crossed at the entrance to the palace grounds by a drawbridge with a battlemented gateway with towers, in one of which is the gatekeeper's lodge. From a bracket fixed in the wall of one of these towers overlooking the moat a bell is suspended, with a cord attached.

One afternoon about five o'clock, while watching the movements of the various birds in the water, the correspondent heard the ringing of a bell, and, on looking to see whence the sound came, he observed that one of the swans was vigorously pulling the cord evidently to attract attention. As no immediate notice was taken of its efforts, the impatient bird continued to ring the bell violently until there appeared at the window of the tower the wife of the gatekeeper, who threw out a quantity of food to the expectant waterfowl.

On making inquiries as to the origin of this interesting episode, the correspondent was told that a number of years ago a daughter of the bishop of Wells, being much interested in the birds inhabiting the moat, taught the swans to ring the bell at feeding-time, at five o'clock in the afternoon. This practice has been continued by successive families of swans down to the present day, and it would seem, therefore, as if the birds transmitted to their offspring the knowledge that when the cord was pulled the bell would ring and that food would follow.

DEMAND FOR FURS ENORMOUS

That the World's Supply Will in Time Be Exhausted May Be Considered Certain.

The fur trade in the far north is still on very much the same basis as when Cartier and Champlain first traded beads and knickknacks with the wondering chiefs of Quebec. A million and a half dollars' worth of merchandise goes north from Edmonton, Canada, every spring to be exchanged for the two and a half millions of fur that come back in midsummer and autumn. So far as the fur trade in America is concerned, the traders claim that there is no perceptible falling off as yet; that, in fact, more fur is being brought to market each year. But in Russia, Germany, Japan and Australia there is a general decrease in the supply. In the past 20 years the world's catch of the 12 most important furs has fallen off from five per cent. to 700 per cent., while the demand for the more expensive varieties has multiplied enormously. The ceaseless effort to satisfy this demand can have but one end, and it is only logical to expect that even the great game preserves of the Canadian north and Alaska will in time be hunted bare.

National Pride.

The belief that all foreigners are inferior to one's own people is not peculiar to the so-called civilized nations. Professor Sumner of Yale used to call this national egotism "ethnocentrism," and cited an instance of it from a message sent south by a native Greenlander, extolling his land and its inhabitants as greatly superior to the countries and races of white men. In the Journal of Religious Psychology the anthropologist Crantz is quoted as saying:

"The Greenlanders consider themselves as the only civilized nation in the world. They are far superior in their own estimation to the Europeans, who supply an inexhaustible subject of raillery for their social parties. They do not appreciate the attitude of arrogant superiority adopted by many white men in their intercourse with so-called savages."

Organization of Transportation.

The proposed imposition of a tax on the importation of bananas has served to draw attention to the remarkable organization of the business of transporting bananas. The fruit is packed while green and rushed thousands of miles in a few days before it ripens. So carefully is this business of transportation organized that millions of bananas are brought from the tropics and sold so cheaply as to be within reach of all. As a precaution against loss due to the ripening of the fruit because of a delay in transportation, every fruit vessel is equipped with a wireless plant. If a fruit vessel be delayed, a wireless call is quickly sent out for help, and assistance is rushed to the disabled vessel so that the shipment is expedited in every way.

Singers' Little Ways.

Caruso tells us that he knows a prima donna who occupies herself in trimming hats on the days when she sings, believing that this provides a distraction and rests her nerves. Another crosses herself repeatedly before taking her cue, and one famous singer known throughout Europe is in the habit of kissing her mother goodbye and receiving her blessing before going on to sing.

A well-known pianist used to carry a black cat about with her wherever she played. Doubtless there are many who are similarly superstitious, though they may not readily own to it.—Manchester Evening News.

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