Ancient Characters.

Men of This Interesting Land Carry

Primitive Weapone to Protect

Flocks From Raids by Se-

doulne and Animala.

Jerusalem .-- There are few more

picturesque sights in the Holy Land

than the shepherd and his flock of

sheep. You can never see one with-

out the other, says a writer in Coun-

try Life in America. They live en

orable calling, but it is one of per-

petual difficulty and danger. Shop-

berds in the east are men of war;

also they are men of some initiative

They, of course, belong to the na

tive population, which may be divid-

ed into three groups, the townspeople,

or medanijeh; the peasants, or dwell-

ers in villages, called the fellaheen,

and the nomads, who live in tents

and spend their lives roaming, called

der the head of peasants, or fells

heen, but nevertheless, they are vir-

tually a race apart. Unlike the other

native tribes, they have maintained

their ancient character intact. They

and led them from pasture to pasture

The sheep themselves are distinctly

of the fact that the shepherds of Pal-

estine lead their sheep. This custom

has arisen, of course, through the ab-

attended to the wants of their she

The shepherds, therefore, come un-

tirely with their flocks.

and practical intelligence.

the Bedouins.

## Was Bitten by Bloodthirsty Barbastel



YORK .-- A large, ferocious, bloodthirsty barbastel, which chir- der a bench. opterous mammal is probably more familiar to you under its Latin nickname of Synotus Barbastellus, caused a panic among the one hundred employes of Benjamin Fechter, a clothing manufacturer, when it flew through a window of the loft the other | times. morning at 10 o'clock, and bit, scratched, clawed and tore the hair, eyes, ears and noses of several of the men and women working at the machines.

vorous or frugivorous, and is a first Joe won by a nose in the race for a cousin of the big-eared Mega-der-ma- closet, gi-gis, which inhabits Australia. The barbastel in question, however, was decidedly carnivorous, and to judge some 5 or 18 people sat on top to from the way it tried to make a ten- make sure that it didn't escape. urse dinner from the physiognomy it had not eaten for several days.

Binberg has nice fat cheeks and the gan to laugh as though he would burst barbastel made straight for the cut- a blood vessel. His employes were ter, who dived under his machine too aghast when Mr. Fechter grabbed the late. The terrible animal caught him animal and shoved it into a wideby the hair and Binberg started to do necked bottle. a Marathon around the room, shrieking for help at the top of his lungs, becca Zuckerman. while women fainted, and of course, it follows that strong men grew pale. bat," said Mr. Fechter.

ENVER .-- "There's my papa," said

V four-year-old Frederick Eugene

Lockwood, pressing his face against

the window-pane of one of the rooms

of the state home for dependent chil-

dren. A minute later the boy had his

arms around his father's neck and

both father and son were crying with

joy. His identification by the boy

was a test suggested by the father to

Frederick H. Lockwood, the father,

is a balloonist and parachute jumper,

and when there are no circuses nor

county fairs where his services are in

demand he works as a cook in hotels

cupations in the south and came on to | boy.

Denver to make another effort to find

prove that he was the boy's parent.

pronounce the name of the bloodthirsty animal they did not succeed in getting help.

Rosie Goldstein tried to slip under the safe, saying that the barbastel was an eagle and that she had often seen its species in Russia, but the space beneath the bottom of the safe was too narrow for Rosie's buxom figure, so she was compelled to crawl un-

In the meanwhile Binberg had grabbed a stick and tried to beat the barbastel, who was devouring the hair tonic on Binberg's curly locks. He managed to hit the harbastel once, after having bruised himself a dozen

Manager Joseph Blankford was dancing around in a frenzy, crying, "B-b-b-barb-b-bastel, b-b-beat it," but the ferocious animal couldn't understand Yiddish and transferred his The barbastel is generally insecti- affections from Binberg to Blankford.

> Finally Mr. Barbastel was cornered and clapped under an empty box, and

Mr. Fechter returned from a busiof Morris Binberg, one of the cutters, ness call, and found his employes completely metrogrobolized by the Binberg was the first one to see the awful encounter. Cautiously lifting barbastel as it flew into the shop, up the box, he looked within and be-

"What is it, a-neagle?" asked Re-

"No, you blockheads; it's only The other employes ran out of the "Oy oy," said the employes, an

out his father without hesitation.

This time he was successful, but

Little Frederick Lockwood was tak-

en to the detention home last Octo-

ber and left there by Mrs. Edith M.

When the child was undressed at

the detention home it was found that

heard a story that made his blood boil

Finds Young Son After a Long Search

with anger.

and restaurants. For more than a Villaume Goebel, who told the matron

year Lockwood has ben trying to find of the home that the boy was turned

his boy, but without success. A few over to her by an inmate of a resort

days ago he finished an engagement in Seattle, Wash. She asked the de-

at the more bazardous of his two oc- tention home to take charge of the

When he asked for the custody of his left arm was broken, his left col-

the child be suggested a test to prove | lar bone dislocated and that his body

that he was the boy's father. He was covered with marks and bruises.

stood, with several other men, outside He was sent to the county hospital,

the home and the boy was taken to and from there to the state home. He

a window and asked if he recognized has never recovered from his injuries,

any of the party. The child picked and may be a cripple all his life.

room in a panic, but as they couldn't | went back to work.

Just as He Said. At the good roads convention in Emporia recently Mit Wilhoit was introducing some of Emporia's prominent citizens to the delegates. He told the delegates what each one of the prominent citizens represented in a business way until he introduced the last one. "He represents nothing," Mr. Wilhoft said. "Except myself-I represent myself," said the prominent citizen. "Well, that is what I said,"

Her Help.

replied Mr. Wilhoit.

"Hilton says he is willing to give his wife credit for having been a great help to him in business."

"I understand she was his stenographer for several years."

among the hills and valleys long be-"Yes. He insists that he has never fore the coming of the Children of had anyone in the office who could [ Israel. equal her in the delicate business of persuading creditors to be patient." of the Syrian breed and famed for their fat talls. Much has been made

In Desperate Mood, "That prima donna has a voice like an angel's."

"You think so," responded the impresario, resentfully. "Well, I don't know how an angel talks when things don't go to suit her. But if I thought they all sounded like this prima donna I'd think twice before wanting to go to heaven."

Fitpalis of Language. "I'm going to ride at the country," said a Frenchman, whose English was not very perfect, to a friend. "You should say ride in the coun-

try," remarked the friend. "Ah! yes-very good," responded the Frenchman, "and when I come back I will knock in your door."

MEAN.

The Artist (showing new picture)-

The Critic-Oh! well, you mustn't

Ob. hark! The postman's whistle,

Danger in Liberality.

think," remarked the ready made

"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum.

"but you want to limit your use of ink

to drops. As soon as you go to spread-

A Good Record for Both.

now," said Bilkins, "and I've never

Advance in Art.

"So you think our national artistic

"Yes," replied the cruel critic, "Our

statuary is far from what it should be.

But we have at least taken the wood-

en Indians from in front of the cigar

The Nervous Patient.

every morning," said the physician.

"But, doctor, I have insomnia."

"The ice cold plunge will help

"No, it won't, I'll lie awake all night

No Place for Them.

"You should take an ice cold plunge

"Twe driven my car for over a year

to get too tired to think,"

run down anybody."

sense is improving."

"A drop of ink makes millions

This life's all burr and thistle,

A merchant from my pittance

Demands a quick remittance,

This is the best thing I ever did.

let that discourage you.

philosopher.



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sence of roads, and the scanty nature of the pasturage found on the mountain sides. It would be impossible to drive the flocks from place to place, unless dogs were employed, and there are no sheep dogs in eastern countries. Hence the shepherd goes on in front, the sheep following, behind, a shepherd boy as a rule bringing up the rear. This is the shepherd's principal duty, to guide his sheep and find pasturage for them.

Then another remarkable traff about these men is that they know their sheep and can instantly pick them out from strangers. At Bethlehem once, I witnessed a very striking demonstration of this. Three shepherds met, and their flocks, totalling some 160 sheep, were soon hopelessly mixed up together. It required but a few minutes to drive the sheep into a fold, and in a remarkably short space of time the shepherds pointed out correctly the members of

their respective flooks. Then the shepherds of this intering it around in quarts they're liable esting land are men of arms. In the southern districts of Palestine and also in the Lebanon country they all carry firearms, and those around Jerusalem and in the neighborhood of Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee, and in other parts of the country carry weapons in the shape of heavy wooden clubs or slings, the latter as primitive as that used by David when he tended his father's flocks. The guns are invariably old-fashioned flintlock muskets or some other obsolete type of firearm. With these weapons the shepherd protects his flock from wild beasts-leopards, panthers wolves. But his worst enemy is not the wild animals of the country, but the roving Bedouins. The latter are always making raids and carry off sheep, with the result that even today , lar. many a good shepherd is called upon to lay/down his life for the sheep.

Spieen Was Broken,

New York.-Although doctors cannot tell why human beings have a spicen Arthur Galol secured a verdict of \$7,850 because his spleen was broken by falling through a sidewalk

red Them Off.

(By MRS. H. A. GRIMES) If a boy has fowls of his own, h will want to manage them so as t keep them separate from the other poultry on the farm. The following plan which is arranged to accommodate ten or twelve hens and a male has been found satisfactory.

The coop in question is five feet wide and twelve feet long, giving a floor space of sixty square feet-five or six square feet per hen. It is six feet high at the front and four feet at the back, and is built from cheap lumber and covered with tarred roof-

The door into the coop is put at one Their business is not only an honend of the front wall. It is closed with a frame covered with wire netting having a curtain of muslin on the inside for use in the cold weather. The upper half of the remaining part of the front is also left open and covered with netting, with an inside muslin curtain.

In the warm weather these curtains are kept rolled up, but in cold weather they are let down over the openings.

The only other openings in the coop are four little square doorways, eight by ten inches in size.

In the center of the back wall, two feet above the floor, fasten a frame two feet wide and three feet long. carrying two roosting poles. This frame should be hinged to the wall, so it can be raised out of the way when desired.

Under it, a foot from the floor, make a little platform of boards to catch the droppings. Do not fasten this anywhere, as you will want to take it up to clean it.

On the front corners of the roosting frame put legs a foot long, which should rest on this dropping board when the roost is lowered in place. Have both resting poles the same height, not set so the frame will slant.

On the ceiling, directly above the roost, nail strips of inch board so as to make a frame the same size, or trifle larger, than the roost itself,

To this tack strips of buriap-sacking long enough to reach the floor,



Convenient House and Run.

and wide enough to completely sur round the coop when they are dropped in place.

At the lower edges put slats keep them in place, as on the other curtains. On cold nights this makes a snug and yet not stuffy sleeping place for the biddles.

The nest boxes-two are plentyshould be placed in the darkest par of the coop. This will be against th front wall, in the corner farthest from the outer door.

Care of the Brooder.

Brush out the brooders every other day, changing the material used in floor covering. This may be of bran, sand, sawdust, or paper, but must be dry. Damp bedding induces disease every time.

brooder choose a warm, sunny day, so first footbold by inflammations pro that the chicks will not need it, and it can be thoroughly dried before returning them at night. If these conditions cannot be compiled with, temporary brooder may be used for the day by means of a box and one or two jugs of hot water well wrapped in flannel, the latter serving the double purpose of holding in the heat and preventing a chick being crowded up and burnt.

# POULTRY NOTES DEDED & SOM

Chickens must have green food.

All hens like to lay in dark nest The hens will relish a feed of scald-

ed oats any time. Never set a thin, lousy hen. She won't stay her time out.

Chickens are often considered nuisance by the farmer. On cold evenings the hens must be sent to roost with full crops,

will warm the hene up and help cure Especially at this time of the year,

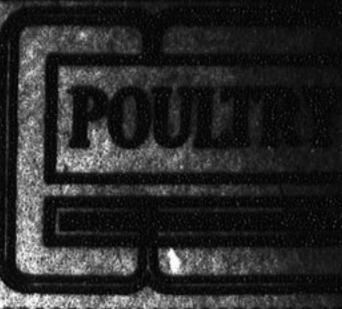
A little cayenne pepper in the mash

the fireless brooder is to be recommended. Coal off and carbolic sold are good lice and mite killers as well as dis-

infectants. Some hens seem to know when it is feeding time. It will pay you to humor them and be prompt and regu-

Sprouted oats is perhaps the best and cheapest green food in winter. It is also good for fowls penned up in

It is best that the young turkeys become accustomed to their stiendant a bit more than and to all persons and animals about the Brown Le



(By COOPER CURTICE The artificial or matural of poults, although a simple operation, d tention to details and in the portant phase in turker r asmuch as the first mont poult's life is the most period. From that period onw other dangers, excepting that of head disease, continue to grow in

If a hen is commod in a covered pen, and the poults are fully yarded during the first



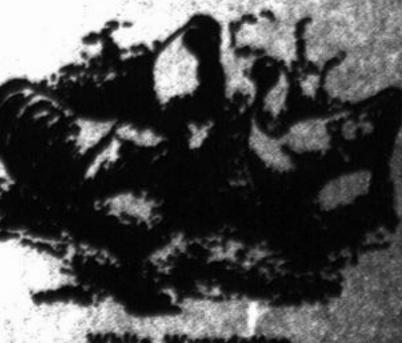
she will, barring the ravages of bis head disease, raise 90 per cout. them. If she is allowed to rouse may raise as many, but it wi pend largely upon their for escape from water, sold and foes. Their survival may pend upon the individual istics of the hen as a brooder upon the care which she receive

Poults improperly brooded du the first week begin to die fa second. They seem at this age particularly subject to lung a abdominal troubles. Overheating a chilling, and rapid changes from to cool conditions, affect them I The connection between the lux the abdominal air sacs is such both are affected by colds. One the most common results of these flammations is a suspension of followed by the absence of inges the intestine. The consequen this is that the white material an creted by the kidneys becomes i apparent, and gives rise to the symp tom called white diarrhes. While th inflammation may or may not be du to a specific germ, the disease is readily prevented by proper ature conditions during the first the weeks of the poult's life that it m tera little whether it is a germ di or not. The disease is on the basis as pneumonia in human be since germs in that case may When it is necessary to wash the the disease, but they seem to get their duced in the tissues as a result of changes of temperature.

## WHITE WYANDOTTE IN FAVOR

Fowls Are Doolle Compared Will Restiess Leghorn and Do Mat Mat More-Lay During Molting.

For more than 20 years I was the poultry business, until last April when the last chick was sold and took a three-month vacation. But missed my fowls so much that I d cided that even if I had to small yard I would have some again, says a writer in an as So a flock of White Wyandottes wi 13 small chicks came into my poss sion. To say that I am della to put it mildly. They are so doe compared with the restless La



MARIS.-With the approach of spring | well-known singer. I the rage for novelty has descended on fashionable Paris. On all sides new forms of the entertainment of ing college, which was opened in the guests and new ways of doing things are being subjected to experiment.

inside of which are a few pounds of lower rate. earth, a large number of ants and their eggs, and a supply of more or imparted in the course, which is diless suitable food. Guests are pro- vided into school and college grades. vided with magnifying glasses and and diplomas are awarded on a certry field.

Ants' Nests Divert Fashionable City To vary the program the ants are made to engage in a pitched battle as one swarm is introduced into the nest of another. Invaders and invaded lock in flerce combat, and a hastily improvised hospital and ambulance service for the injured is organized by the non-combatants. This idea was introduced into Paris society by a

Another innovation which is having an immense success is a dog's trainmost fasihonable quarter of Paris. Here a society woman's dumb friend One of the most curious of the new is lodged, fed, and educatetd in all fashions is the ants' nest craze. No that he should and should not do a hostess thinks a drawing room com- the trifling fee of about \$30 a month, plete unless it contains a glass case though day pupils are admitted at a

Many graceful accomplishments are

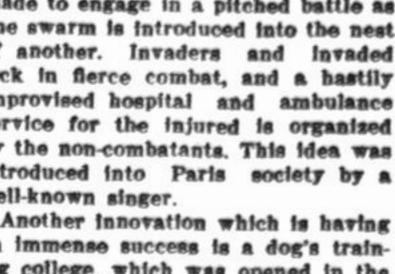
## Old Mansion May Be Sold for Taxes

was the Reber mansion, Chicago's pride in ante-bellum days, will be sold for taxes by Cook county some time in March. For forty years county, state and city have attempted unsucnessfully the collection of taxes on this last vestige of the Reber estate. And the proceeding will not be without its pathos and romance. By the home will be sold over the head grasped the Reber property at each dertrude V. Reber Backus, who in delinquent tax sale. In those years the world. In her eighty years she eepted as a good risk by tax buyers. has seen the mansion of old trans- As years went by and the aged owner

formed into a forfeited hovel. Bast Fortieth street, in the heart of a abandoned it as a bad proposition. shelce residence district. Lots of BOfoot frontage there are valued at the property regularly. Delinquency \$10,000. Tax complications have de notices were served with no effe royed title to the Reber property



Since 1901 the county has levied on Court procedure had as little effect



are invited to watch the industrious tain standard of proficiency being at-"That's nothing," said Mrs. Bilkins insects carrying on their domestic and tained. It is jokingly said that the "I've attended the meetings of our civic duties, much as if still in a coun- time-honored French polish is going sewing circle for five years and have to the dogs. never run down anybody."-Harper's Weekly.

MICAGO.—Remnants of what once



For thirty years tax buyers have er eighth decade of life is alone in the residence, with its site, was acclung persistently to her abode, even The property is at Ellis avenue and in defiance of law, the tax buyers

"I see where President Taft has been asked to appoint a woman to the Supreme court vacancy." "Nonsense! Do you suppose any no mal woman is going to take a pinc where she has to sit still and is

dreading it."