THE FARM.

Poultry.

Moat is expensive, but it pays to feed it, It is the best material that car be used for stimulating egg production, and many hone remain unprefitable for the want of it.

Breeders, like nurserymen, prefer to raise and sell new things. They can obtain higher prices for them, as they are desired by amateurs, while they have little competition.

A Bantam lays a larger egg in proportion to size than any other class of fewig, and for food consumed yields as large profits as de the larger breeds. They are excellent agpets for the children, and usually educate the little ones to a knowledge of keeping poultry.

No man can tell what sex the egg will produce. In fact, it is almost inpossible to tell, after the chicken is hatched, until the comb and tail begin to grow. It seems safe to assume that the rules for determining the sex of eggs will be monopolized by "scientific amateurs,"

The favorite egg for setting appears to be as nearly oval as possible. The best brerders reject every peinted or irregular egg, er a very large one. It is customary to pick out the eggs very carefully in breeding fine stock. Generally eighty per cent are rejected as liable to produce inferior chickens.

When the farmer attempts to hatch thourands of chicks the most discouraging spectacle is the apparently great mortality that occurs. He becomes appalled and wonders how the "old hen" can be so successful, while the brooders seem to fail. But let him reflect and apply the standard of eight chicks raised from ten hatched, and make his comparison. Supposing, for illustration, that she was capable of hatching 5000 she would lose 1000. Hence with the use of incubators we may hatch 5000 chicks, suffer a less of 1000 and be, proportionately, at par with the hen that hatches ten chicks and raises eight.

We believe in forcing the hens to their utmost, and getting as large profits as possible in the shortest space of time. The cow brings forth only one young in a year, while the hen is capable of laying enough eggs to fill her place with fifty pullets, which require but half a year of growth to be made serviceable. Hence, to force the hens means to supply them with all the elements necessary for producing eggs, as well as a variety for the promotion of health and vigor. It means warm, dry quarters, clean water, ground food, and opportunities for exercise.

A dozen of the largest eggs have been found to weigh twenty four ounces, while a dozen of the smaller ones of the same stock weighed only 141 ounces. The fair average weight to the dozen is about 321 ounces. About one-third of the entire weight may be regarded as nitregenous and nutritive matter; a greater proportion than that of meat, which is rated at only about 25 to 28 per cent. while the nutritive part of the oyster is only about 12 per cent. If a pound of eggs, therefore, should be valued at 22 cents. a pound of beef would be worth 24 to 28 cents, and a pound of oysters 12 cents.

The editor of the Farm, Field and Fireside. says: "We have realized as much as \$5 from a single hen, and as the hen was valued at only fifty cents, the gross sum derived was equal to one thousand per cent. And we have also known if flicks that gave a ret prefit of \$7 each. But the conditions were favorable. The hens were fed regularly; they were supplied with all that they required; they were carefully sheltered, and kept warm, dry and comfortable; had unrestricted range, and consequently were contented and happy, secured plenty of exercise, and were capable of assisting themselves whenever the proper conditions of food were overlooked by the owners.

Run Down by Infernal Dogs.

After this when dogs chase my sheep every one run down or heated will be disposed of without delay. A number of years ago dogs killed and scattered a flock of Merinos, and we kept all that lived. It took some of them two years to die, but die they did, and as they pined so long I examined them and found that they lived as long as they had any lungs. Two years ago the dogs chased and bit a number of a flock of course-wooled lambs. None died. but several of them have not done well since. They are poor this winter in spite of all we could do, and I am sure their lungs are affected, the same as the Merinos were. They really have consumption, and in time will die of this disease, caused by overheating and congestion of the lungs at the time the dogs chased them. They were so tired out that they did not eat for several days, but lay quiet in the stable where they were taken when found. The Merinos hid in the underbrush in the woods and were there three days after being hunted down by the dogs. It is a folly to attempt to keep sheep under such circumstances and get anything out of them. As soon as they have cooled off they should be slaughtered. They will not gain in condition and food is wasted upon them.

Timely Euggestions.

Hogs of en become covered with ticks and lice. If a nittle sulphur is fed in their feed occasionally it will entirely rid the swine of these pes's. O'ten the hogs are covered with these parasites when the owner would not suspect it from the appearance of the animals, and consequently it is always well to examine them closely occasionally, so as to be sure they have no such tax on their witals, to steal away what should go toward making growth and flesh.

The treatment of warts is to pare the hard and dry skin from their tops, and then touch them with the smallest drop strong acetic acid, taking care that the acid does mot run off the wart upon the neighboring skin, for if it does it will occasion inflammation and much pain. If this practice be continued once or twice daily, with regularity. paring the surface of the wart when it gets hard and dry, the wart may be soon effectually cured.

Some figures of speech : "Gentlemen of the jury," said an Irish barrister, "it will be for you to may whether this defendant shall be allowed to come into court with unblushing footsteps, with the cloak of hypocriey in his mouth, and draw three bullocks out of my lieut's pocket with impunity."

THAT OTHER BOY.

BY MRS. JULIA M'HAIR WRIGHT.

For every light, a corresponding shadow; for every good, its counterpart of evil; for every sen in a family, that other bey, who is nobody's bey; for every boy in a home, the homeless boy.

What is this vagrant, unewned bey? He is the making of the future tramp, criminal, pauper; a burden and a terrer to the community able to undo all the good your boy

may grew up to accemplish. Where is this boy of the dangerous class-In a hevel attic, cellar, a staying place dominated by a drunken father, by a drunken or ignorant, or reckless mother; he is an orphan, allowed a crust and a shelter by criminals, who hope to use him in crime when he is a little elder; he is a poorhouse; he is bound out to some irresponsible party, who regards him as so much muscular force, ignoring the fact that he has a mind and a soul; he is, perhaps, a little higher in the social scale, with parents and a home, of geverning or counselling him; the home offers him no attractions; he goes to school when he likes, plays traant when he pleases; church or Sunday-school, swears, plays for keeps, and knows the taste of beer and brandy; he is a rich man's boy, perhaps; his mother pays no heed to him, his father sets him a bad example, ruffians decoy him, he has too much meney in his pocket, and is just as surely set on the road to end " black-leg" as the boy from the slums. In this last case, as in the others, he is really "nobedy's bey," for to have merely begotten or brought forth a child is not to be a parent in any proper sense of that potent word.

What is to become of this multudineus nobody's boy germ of the mob? If seciety does not speedily rise up and master the mob, the meb is bound to master society. We must dominate our criminals now, or we shall be presently destreyed by them. But how shall we do this? Mere ferce is not the remedy; irons, stone walls, an army of policemen will not meet the case. France had once a Bustile and an army as ready to fire on Jacques as on Hans. But the Bastile crumbled suddenly, the army fraternized with the mob, there was a revolution, above which, sole landmark, rose the guillotine, pouring forth a river of blood.

Mobs and criminal classes are to be managed successfully only by meral means, and moral means can only be applied successfully when the mob is in embryo, the plastic state of boyheod.

Nobody's bay is the danger of our future we can and must make him the corner-stone in the fabric of our hope. But how to do this? Whatever our boy needs, nobody's boy needs. What will make our boy good safe, rollable, will make that other boy safe reliable, good. All that we give our boy o encouragement, of fortunate prejudices, o moral environment, we should give nobody's boy. We must make up to him of his disastrous lack of home, of parents, of moralities. Largely considered, this may be an affair of compulsory education of the alphabet and the ten commandments insisted upon for every one; of no vagrants and State schools for industrial arts; but there are outgoings of the question too large for the present article. We prefer the simple and practical. That village is clean where every villager sweeps well about his own door stone. If every neighborhood solved the problem of its own neglected, vagrant, destitute boys, the problem of the country at large would straightly find its solution.

Lot us drep the consideration of the great centers, the cities, for the moment, unless they may choose to share in these simple hints for the towns, villages, rural districts. We can not expect to entirely aggregate our boy from nobody's boy. We must not be so fearful of exposing our boy to the other boy's precocious evil, that we devote ourselves merely to separating them, as far as possible. Their lives will lap somewhere; let us arrange the meeting point where it will do the one good and the other no harm. No wise, sober, respectable, useful family should rest easy one heur, so long as within the reach of their influence is any lad left to evil influences, or no influences at all; for, in this last case, the evil will come in fast enough.

Here is not a matter of collecting funde, establishing costly libraries, reading-rooms, and so on. Good indeed are these when one can come to them, but the thing is to begin at once, and to bring personal influences to bear on the personal boy. The primary danger to nobody's boy is

from intemperance. All that our boy needs to develop temperance prejudice and principle, the other boy needs. Canvass the neighborhood for him, bring him to a temperance seciety, buy him a badge and a pledge card. It costs little to get tegether ten, fifteen, twenty boys of the neighborhood, in some clean, bright kitchen er dining-room well lit and warmed, to talk temperance, sing it, tell temperance riddles, read stories, speak pieces and end up with s plate of ginger cakes or a basket of apples, The effect will be beyond mere opinions concerning beer and alcohol, You will find these boys going to school more regularly, that they may read and speak better ; you will find them coming to the meeting with clean hands and shoes, with brushed hair and clothes; their voices will moderate, their language will be cleaner and civiler.

I remember a neighborhood numbering ered. forty or fifty boys, from eight to sixteen years. One lady established such a temperance society at her home as I have mentioned; badges, pledge cards. leaflets, gingerbread, cost about \$5 or \$6 a year. The other lady collected all the books she could beg in the neighborhood from friends or | it. from religious societies, raised a subscription of \$20 and bought some more books. turned one of her reems into a circulating library, chatted with the boys on Saturday afternoons when they came for books, helped them choose, helped them think, and in eighteen months the beys of that locality were new creatures. They were superior boys-mannerly, intelligent, enterprisingnot the making of a rescal among the whole

If there are only three boys in a neighborhoed given to running the streets at night, those three should be looked after. If there are ten, twenty, fifty, who leaf about, them, interest yourself in them.

of them.

clothes dirty and ragged? Find them work hat will buy a new suit. make work if there to a it a personal favor to you that they should come to your church and sit in your pew or class in Sunday-school, or to your home and borrow a book. Don't werry them with dull books; consider the stuff you are dealing with Save up all your papers, especially illustrated, to give them. Make a huge scrap book for them to look over, treat them, as Italians say, in festa, a cookie, a glass of milk or lemonade, an apple; stand treat cheerfully. Where is the neighborhood where some empty room cannot be found, and where, among all the neighbors, a table or two, a few chairs, a condemned stove, a few pictures, some window shades, can not be begged or borrowed; where some books, magezines, papers, can not be contributed; where some genial father can not make a few packages of jack-straws, two or three fox-and-gees e boards, a bex or so of letters to play games of words, a little stationery for who would write a letter ? Do you know if such a place is open for the loading beys, they will stop but the parents " let him run," have no idea | loafing; they will make the fire and sweep and scrub the room by turns, and will refrain frem swearing and spitting on the floor, and will avail themselves of the washraces the streets at night, hangs about cor- bewl, cake of soap and towel set forth in ners, groceries, bar-rooms, never goes to entry or corner ? Then with one good friend or another to keep the peace evening after evening, and detail wenders of natural science, or stories of adventure, or mighty deeds of history; to lay bare the many sided evils of strong drink, and sketch the bright fortunes of honest enterprise and industry, the horizons of these neglected lives will widen, they will breathe purer airs. Nobody's boy will feel that he can be the son of his own deeds, and the father of his ewn fortunes; his dermant manheod will awake and his nescient bruteheod will be eliminated, and the communistic rabies of the nineteenth century will die with the century, as died with the earlier centuries that soourge,

the black plague. Finally, to sum up, whenever there is a bey neglected, pressed by evil example, responsible to nobody, there is work for the nearest person whose eyes fall upon him, work fer which that person is responsible to God, the country, the community.

THE LIME-KILN OLUB.

When the meeting had been opened in due form Brother Gardner said he desired to call the attention of the meeting to the following circular recently issued by the keeper of the museum:

To the public: "The Lime Kiln Club Museum now contains about 4,000 relics, ranging in interest from the sword of Bunker Hill to the jack-knife of John Quincy Adams. We have room for at least 2,000 more, and ary making an earnest effort to build up somethirg which will live after us. If you have anything in the nature of a relic which you are willing to part with we will receive it with grateful hearts. We sadly need another skull of Nero, and can make room for any old boots belonging to Plato, spades or shovels used by Diogener, or shot-guns with the name of Ca ar engraved on the breech. We are the only museum in this country which accepts relicias marked and swear by 'em forever after."

INFORMATION WANTED Sir Isaac Walpele wanted some informaation. He had been looking over the annual report of the Datroit Police Board, and had noted the fact that, out of over 7 000 arrests during the year, there were only four Africans. However, when it came to colored people born in the United States the figures were 453. Did this go to show that civilization corrupted the colored man? Didn't it give a black eye to the generally accepted theory that the better a colored man was educated the higher above crime would he soar? He would like the views of the President on the matter.

"My theory in regard to your figgers am dis," replied Brother Gardner. 'Dar' war' only fo' real ole Africans in Detroit, an' arter desc had bin run in de stock was exhausted an' de perlice had to go fur cull'd Americans to fill up de gap When only one fish-hook out of sebenteen cotches a cull'd man I doan' reckon he am slidin' down hill so worry fast."

DECLINED, A communication was received from Pref. Wagerman, prophet and predictor, offering to furnish the Lime-Kiln Club with a spring two weeks earlier than usual in consideration of the small sum of five dollars. The Professor is a resident of St. Louis, and has predicted more dark nights during the water melon season than any other man in Am-

Giveadam Jenes moved that his offer be accepted. He was getting tired of his chilblains and sighed for a rest.

Trustee Pullback hoped the motion would prevail. If he couldn't go barefoot two weeks earlier than usual this year he would have to sit in the house.

"De offer will be succintly declined," replied the President. "I am not only agin fooling wid de weather, but if de white folks kin stand it we shouldn't let on dat it hurts

STATISTICAL.

Waydown Beebe said he had been thinking for some time that the club ought to take it upon itself to gather and compile certain statistics regarding the colored race of this country, and he trusted that a movement in that direction would be favorably consid-

Pickles Smith supported the idea. He wanted to know just how many colored men were hanged every year; how many left the profession of whitewashing for that of law ; what number became bald-headed; how many committed suicide, and why they did

Several other members discussed the subject favorably, and it was finally agreed that a statistician should be appointed at an annual salary of \$2. Brother Gardner announced that he would appoint Prof. Clarified Walkingbeam to the position, and instructed him to enter upon his duties at once. The salary is intended to be just sufficient to keep the Professor's hair out close the year round. The office is distinctively henorary, and the incumbent's social position will a once be raised a good many pegs.

HO CHANCE. Whalebone Howker effered a resolution t the effect that the price of whitewashing all the more need to provide for them. Fol- | be advanced ten per cent. on the let of May, low them up, speak to them, encourage | and that the price of carpet-beating be ad-What | vanced fifteen per cent.

Prices were now so low that a real artist could scarcely buy lean peck and freet-bitten pota-

our for his family. Elder Daybell Jankins was delighted at the idea. He lately put in two weeks freecoing a celling in seven different whitewash colors, and his wages were less than \$10. No man with any of the inspirations of the true artist in his soul could keep at his best en such wages.

"It am my opinyun," observed the President after the Elder had subsided, "dat any move jist now to increase prices will react on us. If we begin to put up de prices we shall skeer people out of de ideah of whitewashin' or takin up ca'pets. When de summer has fa'ly opened dis subjick kin be brought up agin fur discushun."

NOTES. A motion that a barrel of lemonade be placed in the hall at every meeting hereafter was voted down, and Elder Toots, who

made it, was fined \$11. Judge Arbitration Smith attempted to get a resolution through the meeting declaring the accordion to be the national musical instrument of America, but received no sup-

Uncle Ben Thompson wanted the meeting te express isself on the subject of a war with China, but was ordered to sit down.

The janitor reported twenty-two new leaks in the roof and fifteen in the stove, and was instructed to draw on the Treasurer for twelve cents to buy cement. The meeding then adjourned.

How a Bachelor Makes His Couch.

It used to take him about thirty minutes to get the linen to lie perfectly smooth, it usually taking a notion to puff up and recline in a confused heap in any portion of the bed but the one he wanted. This is no lenger the case. His bed he makes as well and as quickly as the most deft feminine fingers could. He has invented a plan which, being well off, he has decided not to have patented, but is willing to make public for the benefit of the rest of suffering bachelorhood. By an ingenious centrivance he has fixed heavy shot on the end of buckles, which he adjusts to each corner of the sheet, throws the sheet in air over the bed, and presto! the weights shoot out and the sheet lodges equarely and fairly in the place where it ought to be.

A Great Composer.

Mr. Dasenberry-Well, I'll admit, dear, that it was a little late when I came home, O, it was just astonishing the way he brought music out of the instrument. Being himself a great composer ----

Mrs. Dasenberry—Yes, no doubt, sir. noticed you brought a good deal of him home with you.

"Eh, my dear? A good deal of what?" "Of the great composer. I found a halffilled flask in your pocket this morning."

"Said Aaron to Moses

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