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LUCAS & HENRY: Dentists, Office—Lucas Block, Markdale; Traders Bank Bldg., Toronto.

DR. J. A. MACARTHUR: Dentist, Office in Artley Block (over Bowes hardware store).

L. G. CAMPBELL (D.D.S., D.D.S.): Dental Surgeon, Graduate of Ontario College of Dentistry and University of Toronto.

A. F. & A. M.: Miram Lodge, No. 490, G.E.C., Markdale, meets in Masonic Hall.

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B. H. WALDEN: Licensed Auctioneer for the County of Grey. All sales promptly attended to.

F. D. GARRUTHERS: Licensed Auctioneer County of Grey. Reasonable terms. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Cook's Cotton Root Compound: A reliable vegetable compound for rheumatism, neuralgia, etc.

WOODS' PHOSPHODINE: The Great English Preparation. Tones and invigorates the whole nervous system.

PATENTS PROMPTLY SECURED: In all countries. Ask for our INVENTORS' ADVISORY SERVICE.

Wheat and Flour Storage.

Among the most interesting tests carried on by Dr. C. E. Saunders, Dominion Cerealist, described in his report on Wheat, Flour and Bread is that of the effects of storage on wheat and flour.

Analysis in Percentages: Corn, Water, Ash, Crude Protein, Fibre, Fat, etc.

Second, what is the value of the ear of sweet corn as compared with that of flint and dent corn? Here is the answer:

Wanted—A Man to Lead: There isn't a lad but wants to grow Massey and true at heart.

Some Drawback: Two tramps were discussing the ways and means of living in this hard world without being laid up with bodily exhaustion.

Bill Ruminated: Bill ruminated deeply for some time and queried: "I suppose yer 'as to pick 'em?"

The Rube Farmer: The rube farmer of ten years ago had to shave off his whiskers the other day because they kept b'ing into his eyes when he drove into town.

Answer: The bugs in your beans are likely the Bean Weevil. This insect passes the winter as a fly, appearing early in the spring after the

Farm Crop Queries

CONDUCTED BY PROF. HENRY G. BELL. The object of this department is to place at the service of our farm readers the advice of an acknowledged authority on all subjects pertaining to soils and crops.

L. G.: I set 65 trees (apples, pears, cherries) two years ago; mulched each fall with barnyard manure. Trees make a fair growth; ground grows medium intercrop.

Answer: As your trees are young the fertility treatment should be entirely planned to force growth as rapidly as is consistent with well rounded material, being careful not to force wood growth to such an extent that the twigs will suffer during the severe cold days of winter.

Q. B.: What is the relative value for feed in ripe husked sweet corn and field corn?

Answer: Your question is rather indefinite. You mean one of two things. First, what is the value of the fodder from sweet corn as compared with field corn? If this is your meaning the answer as given by Henry & Morrison in their book on Feeding is as follows:

Analysis in Percentages: Corn, Water, Ash, Crude Protein, Fibre, Fat, etc.

Q. B.: I have a little garden. I planted lots of seeds. And watered them and watched them. And pulled up the weeds.

Q. B.: I wonder who it is down that way. In the water brook and deep? What makes the little groceries say "Kr-r-reke, kr-r-reke, kr-r-reke?"

Q. B.: I can't get clover or alfalfa to start on my soil. The soil is rather light sand. Would like to know what I should do to get clover and alfalfa to grow.

Q. B.: I would not advise sowing alfalfa or clover in the fall when seeding fall rye, but you could very well sow the alfalfa and clover seed on top of the stand of rye in the spring as soon as good growth has started.

Q. B.: Please advise me what causes beans to get bugs in them, and what becomes of the bugs after they come out of the beans? At what stage are these eggs laid in the beans? If the beans were carefully picked over and heated would the good ones become bug-resisting?

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SELECTING THE BREEDERS

There are two ways of selecting good breeders; one is by tramming and the other by observation and study. That tramming is of the greatest importance in this particular has been demonstrated by the experiment stations and by others who make poultry raising a business.

In tramming for the selection of breeders, attention must be given to other factors besides ability to lay. For instance, if a hen lays 200 eggs in a year, but has had some contagious disease earlier in life, she should not be permitted in the breeding pen because the disease is liable to be transmitted to her offspring.

In selecting by observation, health and vigor must be the main factors. The individual selected should be active and carry her body in an erect and proud fashion. The comb should be bright red in color, soft and velvety; the eyes should be steady and clear.

Although feathers are only a covering for a bird, some attention must be paid to them also. Good feathered birds not only look better but sell better. Size and shape are also important in a dual-purpose hen; good, heavy layers, of large size and uniform shape, with vigorous constitutions, are the ideal stock to breed from.

A good layer can invariably be distinguished by her actions and willingness to scratch for food. If examined on the roost at night, it will be found that she has a full crop. This, too, is a good indication of health. A hen may be compared to a small factory—the raw material and eggs are the finished product. The output is greater when the factory runs efficiently and consumes larger quantities of raw material.

A soft, red comb, lying to one side (in single-comb varieties), a short curved beak, lack of color in the worn-off toe-nails, are all indications of laying ability. It is said that loss of color in the shanks because they lay it out of them; and the feet are short and worn as a result of much scratching.

Observed from the side, a layer has a small head, rather round and the general appearance of the body is decidedly wedge-shaped because of the extreme fullness of the neck. Large-headed birds with shapely bodies are never good layers. If a good layer is picked up she will be found to possess considerable weight for her size. Examination of the pelvic bones for egg-laying ability is a good method; but the inexperienced are likely to have difficulty in estimating the distance, especially if the hen is an old one with fat. The distance between the pelvic bones seems more than it is, and lower bones is forced down by the fluous fat.

In selecting a male bird, one which has good size and color holds his body erect, and color is clear. If possible, the tendency of the males being to allow the head to everything and have nothing themselves. He should be of mating qualities, not quarrelsome and yet possess a fighting spirit which is contrary to his hens.

Lossing from that of laying. They must at all times have fresh and plenty of it. I believe that correct type of house is the first one. More eggs are lost than are considered in the whole country. Keeping the fowls confined too long in warm, mild winter weather.

There must be a different employed in feeding breeders. In using in feeding layers, the object is to produce eggs of quality. In many cases of raw material, should have a good layer of breeders, but each bird should be fed differently. The old birds should not earn except in very mild weather. Too much animal food causes a reduction of animal food, they are properly fed.

Hogs

Usually at this season of the year there is an increase in the amount of disease in the swine herds. The aggravating cause often is the change from dry to green corn. Hogs accustomed to dry feeds all summer are put upon green corn quickly without being allowed enough time for their digestive systems to become accustomed to the radical change in feed.

Prevention of such disease attacks consists in avoiding too radical changes. By allowing ten days or two weeks time for the change to green corn, with a gradual diminution of dry grains, there will be less chance of lowering the animal's resistance to disease. Feed also with the green corn some protein feed, such as tankage or linseed meal. Experiments show beyond a doubt that hogs so fed are healthier and make more rapid and cheaper gains than those fed on corn alone.

The city is a place where people must live; the country a place where people may live.

Why Some Boys Leave the Farm

Why did you leave the farm, my lad? Why did you bolt and leave your Dad? Why did you beat it off to town? And turn your poor old father down?

I'll roll aside my hazy bank, The misty cloud of theories, And tell you where the trouble lies. Left my Dad, his farm, his plow. Because my calf became his cow. Because my pig became his sheep. Because my lamb became his horse. Because my pig became his horse. Because my pig became his horse.

Well, stranger, since you've been so frank. With dad and me it's half and half. The cow I own was once his calf. I'm going to stick right where I am. Because my sheep was once his lamb. I'll stay with dad—He gets my vote. Because my hog was once his shot. No town for me—I'll stick right here. For I'm his tractor-engineer. It's "even-split" with dad and me. In a profit-sharing company. We work together from day to day—Believe me, boys, it's the only way.

While Others Stay at Home

While others stay at home, I'm going to stick right where I am. Because my sheep was once his lamb. I'll stay with dad—He gets my vote. Because my hog was once his shot. No town for me—I'll stick right here. For I'm his tractor-engineer. It's "even-split" with dad and me. In a profit-sharing company. We work together from day to day—Believe me, boys, it's the only way.

CRIPPLED WITH RHEUMATISM

Then She Took "FRUIT-A-TIVE" And Has Been Well Ever Since



For many years, I was crippled with rheumatism and had to use crutches. I had tried many different doctors, but nothing helped. Then I took "Fruit-A-Tive" and after a few days I felt better. After a few weeks I was able to walk without crutches. Now I am well and happy.

DR. CLARA W. LLOYD: 506 A. Box 6, for \$2.00, 10c per box. A. B. C. of Rheumatism, 10c per copy.

Storing the Potato Crop

The lightness of the potato crop in Ontario (and the evenness of the crop) owing to the long continued drought earlier in the season will make it profitable to save all that is possible.

Reports from agricultural correspondents indicate that the light crop being harvested is a serious cause of concern. It is not possible to put away in permanent storage potatoes that are affected with late blight because those that come out of the bin are likely to contain a quantity of the spore. If potatoes are to be stored, it is essential that they be free from any disease.

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