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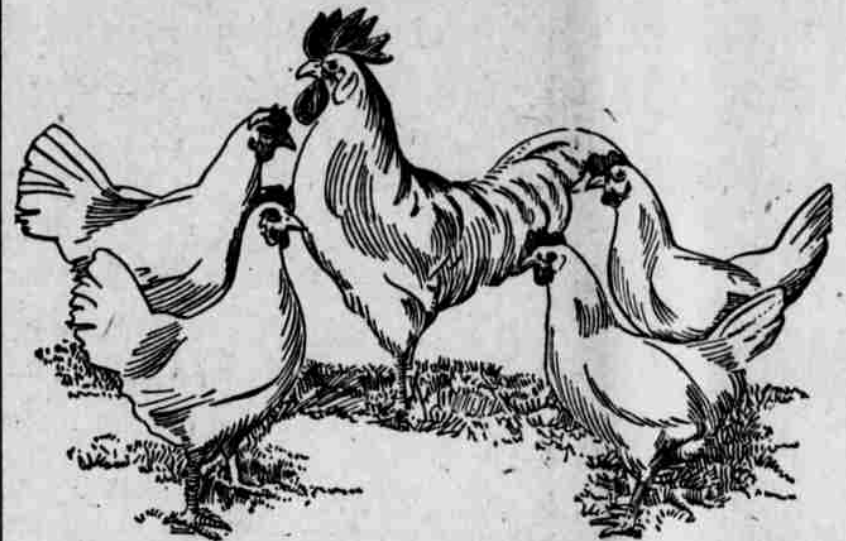
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Erroneous Idea to Think That Mongrel Chickens Offer Any Advantage Over Pure-Bred Stock—Many Improvements in Laying and Meat-Producing Qualities of Birds.



Prize Winning Single-Comb White Leghorns.

(By OSCAR ERF.)
Pure-bred animals are those that produce their form, habits or other distinctive qualities with uniformity. In order that we may get offsprings like the parent and like each other we must have animals whose ancestors for many generations back have been of one type. The more generations of such uniformity, the more certain it will be that the young will possess similar quality.

The wild animals of any one kind or species in one locality have been of similar type for many generations and may be considered as pure-bred. By the law of natural selection, individuals not suited to live in that particular locality have been weeded out.

When animals are domesticated, and moved to other climates, and are fed different foods, only such individuals will live and produce young as are suited to the new conditions. But another factor changes domestic animals more rapidly. Men breed only such specimens as please their fancy; and this artificial selection replaces natural selection. During the many centuries of domestication the chickens of different parts of the world have developed into different types. When these radically different types are brought together and crossed we have produced young that are very different from the parents and from each other. Nor can these young be depended upon to reproduce offspring like themselves. They are said to be cross-bred, or, if the mixing be for several generations, they are known as mongrels. By selecting from cross-bred or mongrel stock such chickens as are desired, and breeding these together for many generations, new breeds may be established.

One strain of chickens may be selected for uniform color of feathers, another for a certain size and shape, another for laying large eggs of a certain color, and yet another strain for being producers of many eggs. Each of these strains might be well-bred in these peculiar traits, but would be mongrels when the other considerations were taken into account. Breeders of pure-bred stock, in making their selection of breeding animals, try to consider the desirable qualities in due order of their relative importance. Thus, with trotting horses speed is given prominence above everything else, while in the case of swine or beef cattle attention has been given to the qualities of growth and fattening that make for the profitable

production of meat. Only such uniformity of color and minor points are demanded as will serve to distinguish the breed and give uniformity of appearance. The standards adopted by breeders of this class of animals give relatively small consideration to fancy points, whereas poultry breeders consider about one-half of the value of their birds to depend on color of feathers alone, while the judgment of shape is based upon the outline produced by the feathers and not on the true body shape. The standard bred poultry fanciers have not been mainly concerned in producing breeds of chickens for the use of the farmer or practical grower, as have been the breeders of cattle and swine. Men who pursue animal breeding for pleasure alone do not choose large, slow-breeding animals, such as cattle; neither do animals wholly worthless from other standpoints receive much attention from breeders. But the hen, variable in form and color, inexpensive to secure, readily reared and capable of producing in brief time large numbers of offspring, and yet withal capable of paying her way in food products, has rendered possible the development of the fancy or standard-bred chicken business into the most universal and important fancy or artistic-breeding business in the world. From the attention that has been given to the breeding of poultry for the show room, many people wrongly infer that standard-bred poultry is no better than mongrel stock for commercial purposes.

The mongrel chicken is a production of chance. Its ancestry represents everything available in the barnyards of the neighborhood, and its offspring will be equally varied. In the pure breeds there has been a rigid selection practiced that gives uniform appearance.

The size and shape requirements of the standard, although not based on the market demands, comes much nearer producing an ideal carcass than does chance breeding. Ability to mature for the fall and winter shows is a decidedly practical quality that the fancier breeds into his chickens. Moreover, poultry breeders, while still keeping standard points in mind, have also made improvements in the laying and meat-producing qualities of their chickens. Considering these facts, it is an enormous idea to think that mongrel chickens offer any advantage over pure-bred stock for meat or for eggs.

MANY MISTAKES MADE AT START

Those About to Begin With Poultry Should be Advised to Begin With Good Stock or Eggs.

How often have you stopped to think how much better off you would have been and how much time you would have saved had you started in with a pair or a trio of good breeders instead of the flock of cull chickens which you purchased and which even the most experienced poultryman would have found difficult in handling?

How often have you thought about advising those about to start in with chickens to put their money in good stock or eggs at the outset instead of fretting with worthless stock for two or three seasons before realizing their mistake?

How often have you given this advice to a deaf ear, become provoked and then got in a good humor again when you thought of the fool you had been and of the time you had in making up your mind to the necessity of starting in all over again, after devoting a couple of years to a

flock that no one could have made to pay for its feed?

When we look back upon the many mistakes we made in getting a start we wonder how we managed to stay with it. It is then we realize why it is so many go in for chickens and fail, and begin to wonder how it happens that more did not give up at the outset.

Paralyzed Hens.

Hens that cannot stand and have no use of limbs, but seem to be otherwise healthy, are probably paralyzed. Little can be done for such birds and it is best to dispatch them quickly.

Eggs for Hatching.

Eggs must be from good, strong stock, fertile and fresh to hatch well. They must not be subjected to chills, jarring, impure air or too great heat.

Advantage With Ducks.

One advantage in duck raising is that there is very little loss from disease and they are not bothered by vermin.

Laying Out Gardens.

In laying out the garden plan to have the rows as long as possible. This will save time in cultivating.

Vipers Still Plague France.
One of the divisions of France, the department of Seine-et-Marne, has issued its snake killing budget. It shows that vipers are almost as numerous as ever before in the Ile de France. They are commonest in the forest of Fontainebleau, where one gamekeeper alone killed 1,818 in the course of last year. For this he was paid \$125, and in all the department paid \$550 in the year, being a reward of seven cents for each viper's head presented. Nearly 8,000 were killed during the year.

Naturalization Papers Not Needed.
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Damages for Spoiled Beauty.
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Riddle of the Sphinx.
The Sphinx—some sort of fabled monster—proposed a riddle to the people of Thebes. It is said, and murdered all who could not answer it. Oedipus finally solved it and in chagrin the Sphinx put herself to death. The riddle was as follows: "What goes on four feet in the morning, two feet in the afternoon and three at night?" The answer given by Oedipus was this: "Man; because he crawls as a child, walks upright in his full strength and walks with a staff when an old man."

Existence an Aim.
Life is a mission. Every other definition of life is false, and leads all who accept it astray. Religion, science, philosophy, though still at variance on many points, all agree in this, that every existence is an aim.—Mazini.

Departure Approved.
"I understand your boy Josh is experimenting on the lines of perpetual motion." "Yes," replied Farmer Corn-tassel. "And I feel some encouragement about it. I thought for awhile that the only thing Josh was going to take in was perpetual rest."

Not of Value.
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Where Sailors Disagree.
On two topics the great trans-Atlantic steamship companies are not agreed. Some creep through a fog at a snail's pace. Others dash through it at topmost speed—the quicker out of it the better. Some insure heavily against loss by fire. Others carry all their fire risks themselves.

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A Man's Affection for Woman.
In a recent case in which the question of affection was an important issue, the judge spoke wisely as a philosopher. It was a bit of gold in the cross of the court life of a great wick-ed city. "A man's affection for a woman," said the modern Solomon, "is shown by his willingness to take trouble in her behalf, to do little services for her, to do with a willing hand that which a man not in love would deem tiresome, troublesome and disquieting."

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Ocean Bathing in Spain.
All Spaniards who can afford it go to the seaside in the summertime. Here the great feature is the bathing. A large wooden building is erected at some distance from the shore, inside of which the law demands that all the women must bathe, no men being allowed anywhere in the vicinity. During the bathing hours music is played in the enclosure, and refreshments are served on the premises. Of course, swimming is out of the question and drowning accidents unknown.

Practical Query.
My little boy stobed open-mouthed, while a friend elaborated the details of a sudden death. The patient had not been considered very seriously ill, and his nurse entered, bringing a baked potato for which the sick man had expressed a wish. "But," said my friend, "before he had tasted it, he died." I deprecated the sadness of such recital before the child, but I need not have feared. His baby voice piped out: "And what became of the potato?"—Harper's Weekly.

Frequent Failing.
Some men talk so loud they attract attention and call it personal magnetism.—Atchison Globe.

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