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Amusing Biddy.

(Professor James G. Halpin, of Wisconsin University, advises amusement and exercise for poultry as a means to stimulate egg-laying.—News item.) Oh, father, cease your business talk

And sally forth, I pray,
 To take the Leghorns for a walk,
 They say it makes them lay;
 And as you pass the pastures each,
 Look out for brother Bill;
 'Tis time he call the hens, to teach
 Their calisthenic drill;
 For eggs are riches, so they say,
 And, riches if we prize,
 We must persuade the hens to lay
 By proper exercise.

Bring out the grafanola now
 And as it gaily runs,
 'Twill be amusing, I'll allow,
 Unto the Orpingtons.
 Go, sister, get your violin
 And on it sweetly play;
 The Plymouth Rock, perchance you'll
 win,

Through melody, to lay.
 For if the costly eggs we need,
 The papers I've perused
 Declare with emphasis indeed:
 "The hens must be amused."

Let's organize a minstrel show,
 Or cabaret, mayhap,
 Or try grand opera, you know,
 Their interest to trap;
 And, while they eat their midday meal,
 Lest their attention flag,
 Have bands to play the "Chicken Reel,"
 Or else the "Omelet Rag."

Let's sing them songs, until we've got
 Caruso out-Carused;
 For if we want the eggs, I wot,
 The hens must be amused.
 Call all the family round them here;
 Let's praise the hens, their glories;
 Let's dance and yodel loud and clear;
 And tell them funny stories;
 Let's walk with them and play at tag,
 And show them pictures fair;
 Let's bring them peanuts in a bag;
 And violets to wear;
 Let's caper round them merrily
 Till weary in our legs;
 We must amuse them, verily,
 If we would get the eggs.
 —Dean Collins in Oregonian.

CULL OUT POOR LAYERS TO INCREASE EGG YIELD

One of the steps which must be taken in the process of securing a higher egg yield, is a careful culling out of the lightest layers. Expert poultrymen state that the average hen in the United States lays about six dozen eggs per year. The records of a flock of forty hens, secured by use of the trap-nest, kept by the poultry department of the Oregon Agricultural College, show an average yield of 210 eggs per year. If it be a fact that the 72-egg hen pays her way and returns some profit to her owner, the hen that lays three times as many eggs must be a very profitable fowl.

While several things are required to raise the general average of a flock to so high a standard of production, a very material increase may be secured by giving careful attention to a few of the most important. One of these is culling out the most unproductive hens. And the only way to be positive that the poorest and not the best layers are disposed of is to keep individual records, which is done most satisfactorily by use of the trap-nest.

If the right choice is made of the hens to be eliminated, the process is both rapid and inexpensive. A certain number of fowls is required for table use in the home and for the poultry market. But very little is gained by a hap-hazard selection of the hen for these purposes. Individual records, as revealed by the trap-nest, have been found by

the Poultry department to be the only unfailing method of revealing the unprofitable hen. And this method is earnestly recommended to the poultrymen of Oregon that purpose to increase the average egg yield by culling out the poorest layers from the flock.

TOYLAND AT EXPOSITION

Among the interesting amusement concessions to be presented on the "midway" at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, will be "Toyland Grown up," a walled city in which the buildings will be enlarged reproductions of children's toys. The concession will be represented by Frederick Thompson, the famous creator of Luna Park at Coney Island. Toyland Grown Up will be almost an exposition in itself, covering twelve acres, costing more than \$1,000,000. It will require more than 4,000,000 feet of lumber and its streets and canals if stretched in a row will be five miles long. The walled city will be entered by three mammoth gates; the first gate will be the Gate of Fun; the second gate will be the Gate of Fairyland, the gate of beauty; the third gate is the entrance to the City of the Wicked King, where is held captive the doll princess; this is the Gate of Thrills. Among other features of Toyland will be Mother Hubbard's Cupboard, sixty feet high; the Great Shoe, as large as a six-story city building, and built, in part, in the form of a side wheel steamer, since it will have huge wheels by means of which the sightseer will be raised aloft. In Toyland, too, there will be the City of Peter Pan, the town that never grew up.

DUNDEE

School has been closed for a week on account of an epidemic of chicken-pox. It is thought that by the first of December, on which date school will open again, that all the pupils will be ready for work again.

Mrs. William Hill and son, Edward left on Wednesday for their new home near Toledo. The best wishes of all the Red Hill folk go with the Hill family which has been here so long and has been so closely connected with the life of the community that it is hard to give it up.

It is also hard to see the other neighbors, Wm. Graeper and family preparing to leave. Mr. Graeper has sold his property to Bland Herring and will give possession by the third of December. Mrs. Graeper and little William will spend a month in travel and visiting relatives while Mr. Graeper decides on a new location.

Miss Nellie F. McNeill is spending a week with relatives in Aberdeen, Washington.

Thanksgiving time finds every one in this vicinity with a thankful heart for an abundant harvest and for a home in a community where the true brotherhood spirit is made manifest every day.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

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PUBLIC SALE

At the Farmers' Feed Barn on First and Center street Saturday, Dec. 6, at 1:30 o'clock sharp, 3 horses—1 aged Family mare, 1 colt coming 2 yrs. old sired by Minos; 1 Coach colt, 1 cow coming 4 yrs. old, fresh 8 weeks; 1 Brood sow, Berkshire, 7 Shoats and some chickens; 1 Milburn wagon, 1 hack, 1 single buggy, hay rack, 3 breaking plows, 1 Riding Disc plow, 1 Spring tooth harrow, 1 two-section harrow, 1 cultivator, 1 disc, 3 good orchard ladders, fruit boxes, 1 grindstone, 2 sets work harness, 1 set single harness, and other articles too numerous to mention.

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PREPARING FOR OLD AGE.

If You Reach Sixty-five Years What Will Be Your Condition?

Actuaries say that of each thousand men living at the age of twenty 500 will still be alive at sixty-five. Economists declare that of the 500 living at sixty-five 200 will be in want; that eight-ninths of the pauperism in America is among people who have passed this same age of sixty-five.

A man is, of course, sometimes brought to want in old age through accident, through continued illness of himself or his family, through a dozen and one mischances against which even the wisest is helpless adequately to provide. In spite of this, however, there are certain tried and proved recipes by which a young man may guarantee at least the probability that he will not be found among the unfortunate 200 after the age of sixty-five.

Avoidance of wasteful, destructive habits; thrift, economy, the practice of spending habitually less than one earns, the habit of study, which increases one's usefulness and earning power—such are a few of the stable qualities which distinguish the young man approaching an independent old age from the one approaching a condition of want. Stand the actuary's thousand men in a row, divide them into two groups, the one possessing the habits and qualities noted above and the other lacking them, and there would be little difficulty in telling from which group will come the 200 and from which the 300.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Frugality.

The daughter of a southern congressman had recently been a bridesmaid at the marriage of a college chum. On her return home she was telling the family, including the old colored mammy, of the ceremony. "And just think, Aunt Comfort," she finished, "the bride wore the lace veil that had belonged to her great-grandmother!" "Law, Miss Sidney, chill!" exclaimed mammy in tones of horror. "That sholy am one saving family!"—Judge.

Rough on the Plumbers.

"Are there any plumbers in heaven, dad?" asked a small boy. The gentleman addressed had just received a "small" bill from one of the plumbing fraternity as he answered, promptly and emphatically: "No, my boy. Certainly not! But what made you ask?" "I thought there couldn't be, because the sky leaks such a lot!"—London Tatler.

Expected Reduction.

Grandpa Macpherson—How many do two and two make, Donald? Donald—Six. Grandpa—What are you talking about? Two and two make four. Donald—Yes, I know, but I thought you'd "beat me down" a bit.—London Punch.

Punishment.

"Pop!" "Yes, my son." "Did mamma ever punish you?" "Well, she married me, my boy."—Yonkers Statesman.

Wasted Effort.

"Few of us get credit for our effort." "True. I spent most of yesterday afternoon in an effort to get credit for a month's supply of groceries."—Buffalo Enquirer.

Famous Rhode Island.

It was a geography lesson, and the teacher had been asking what some of the different states were noted for. Looking at one of the little girls, she asked:

"Tell me, Florence, what Rhode Island is celebrated for."

For a moment the child was silent, then an inspiration apparently came to her.

"Rhode Island," replied the little girl, "is celebrated for being the only one of the United States that is the smallest."—Harper's Magazine.

Turned Down.

Kloesman—Sorry to refuse you, old man, but my money likes company. Borrower—What do you mean? Kloesman—It can't bear to be a loan.—Boston Transcript.

THANKSGIVING

Thursday, November 27th has been set apart as a day for national thanksgiving. This has been a year of good harvests and splendid prosperity for this city and community. That this institution has shared in this prosperity we are grateful.

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