

FED BY MACHINERY.

An Expeditious Method of Fattening Poultry for Market.

A French Process by Which Chickens and Ducks Are Speedily Brought to a High State of Perfection for the Table.

There is a poultry-raising establishment in Baltimore county at which all the modern appliances for hatching and rearing chickens are in practical operation, says the Baltimore Sun, and where the "stuffed" process of feeding known for many years in France as engraissement, is used in fattening both chickens and ducks for the market.

When the work of feeding fowls in this manner is being put in practice which is not the case at this season of the year—the interior of the feeding-house is an interesting place. It looks like a large prison on a small scale, with tier upon tier of tiny cells reaching from the floor to the ceiling.

The feed, in the form of soft mash, is put in a reservoir holding a gallon or more. From the bottom of the reservoir the food runs through a rubber tube into another receptacle, the capacity of which is regulated by a screw, according to the extent of the meal to be given to the fowls at that special feeding.

Engraissement has been practiced in France for many years. Before the improved appliances were invented the operation was a laborer in several ways. One of these called engraissement aux patons, consisted of inserting little cakes of dough into the fowl's mouth, and forcing them down with the finger.

NO CHANCE TO BE PIOUS. A Male-Driving Mountaineer's Reason for Never Attending Church. The circuit rider in the West Virginia mountains one day overtook a mountaineer driving a pair of mules along the road and engaged him in conversation.

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"I don't think I saw you at church last Sunday, did I?" "No, sir; but I usually aim to get there. Had a spell of sickness last week and was laid up."

HOW COYOTES HUNT. They Take Turns in Chasing the Fleet-footed Jack Rabbits. "Did you ever see a pack of coyotes rustling for grub?" asked an old miner of a reporter of the Moreno (Cal.) Indicator.

THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS. They Are Situated Many Miles Distant from Honolulu. The group lies in a chain distant from Oahu seven hundred to twelve hundred miles, west by northwest. There are several records of its discovery.

THE WEATHER ON MARS. Visible Evidences of a Warm Spell on the Planet. An Extensive Thaw Observed Which Indicated a Summer Season in the Southern Hemisphere of Our Neighboring World.

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HISTORIC WALLS.

Where the Old Song "Yankee Doodle" Was Written.

Greenbush Has a Building That Is Being Despoiled by the Hands of Curiosity Seekers—No Efforts to Preserve It. Though hundreds of people in that vicinity know that near Fort Cralo, which stands upon the eastern bank of the Hudson in the little village of Greenbush, the famous old song, "Yankee Doodle" was written, yet not an effort is being made to preserve its historic walls.

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