

THE COLOR OF BIRDS.

How It May Be Affected by the Use of Cayenne Pepper.

Dr. Saueremann, whose high reputation among the physiological societies of the world gives great weight to his conclusions, has lately made a series of investigations into the effect that cayenne pepper has upon birds, fowls, pigeons, and other species of the feathered family.

ment holds good with the coloring of birds with the red pigment of the yolk of the egg and the coloring of the feathers. The first of this colored pigment in the yolk can be observed as a colored spot four days after the commencement of the coloring.

INCENSE IN CHURCHES.

How Have Smelled It, But Few Know Where It Comes From. We know what is really used to perfume the clouds of fragrant smoke as incense in churches.

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English Superstition. The following instance of a curious belief held by country folk may interest some of your readers. An old man in this parish (in East Kent), who is in full possession of his faculties, and, moreover, has a considerable stock of knowledge of things connected with the farm and garden, informed me on the other day of the following remarkable incident in natural history.

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