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Exhibition Birds vs. Mongrels

ROM the advent of the first trap-nest there has been well. indiscriminate trap-nesting, and the records have had every degree of variation. When a mongrel hen made a good record there has been a big noise made that thoroughbred blue ribbon. stock was not necessary to get eggs. But there have been a number of mongrel pens entered in the Eastern egg-laying contests and so far they have not made very enviable records for their owners, neither have they given the mongrel hen any prestige as a layer

There has been the other class of entries who are proclaiming a spe-cific egg laying type different from the standard of perfection in many details. These promoters are objected to by the fancier from the one are obstandpoint that nearly all of the exhibition qualities are sacrificed in getting their layers.

can lay more eggs with the additional length. But he does object to sacrificing her other qualities, which it has taken time and patience to de-velop, turning his favorite fowl into a mongrel

try are sacrificing their breed, but many are, and I would warn the man who ticular egg-laying strain to learn whether the breeder has stock that still has its exhibition qualities in-tact. The bird as described in the Standard of Perfection will survive, and that authority will be revised to meet conditions when necessary.

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color and the one who has developed or is breeding a laying strain of a standard variety, and who can go into the show room and walk away with the honors. The biggest win in any exhibition of the future will be with the layer who can be done be with the layer who can land the

Expert breeders are not behind the times in this respect and it is hardly reasonable to suppose that the ones who have developed the poultry in-dustry are going to let others come in and get the cream of the business. Their theory for the exhibition hen as a layer has received a high endorsement from no less an authority then Professor T. E. Queensberry, director

of the Missouri State Experiment Station, Mountain Grove, Missouri, under whose charge the best data of the laying hen have been developed. He says in part:

Show Bird Good Layer.

getting their layers. Mongrel vs. Show Bird. It has taken years to develop the exhibition bird to his particular type texhibition bird to his particular type and color, and as a rule she has not has gone into the contests and come has gone into the contests and come been a bad layer. Sometimes she has gone into the contests and come built at the top of the list. The fancier will not eventually object to length-ening her body if it is found that she can lay more eggs with the additional length. But he does object to sacri-ing her body if other is the additional can be does object to sacri-tening her body if the additional tening her breat tening her body if the additional tening her body if the additional tening her breat tening her body if the additional tening her breat tening her body if the additional tening her breat tening her body her body if the additional tening her breat tening her b

an lay more eggs with the additional incluse and the additional incluse additional incluse additional incluse additional incluses to the egg set in color and shape highest records in the context by lay-ing the greatest number of eggs. "His pen is fine in color and shape in the additional incluses to the egg basket. Of course, we all avial a large number of eggs, it tells on their appearance for the time being at least, but that does not necessary in their progeny will not be birds good enough to go into the show room. We have been impressed with the show itll has its exhibition qualities in-the test conditions when necessary. Future Development. There will be an interesting strug-ite for business between the man

gle for business between the man mongrels for them to prove to be satis-who sells layers of every shape and factory layers."

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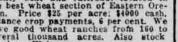
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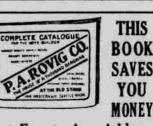
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Scratchings in the Poultry Yard

Fortune seldom comes to the slothful person. Fortune moves on soon after the knock upon the door. Those who would have fortune enter, must open the door promptly. This is es-pecially true in poultry raising.

be fed.

the main object, health and vigor to be given the preference in selecting each individual. The weakest and most useless of a flock should be weeded out as soon as possible.

The best way to feed cabbage or beets to pouliry is to suspend them from the celling in a bag made of one-inch mesh netting. In this way the birds can pick it and get food and exercise at the same time.

Mrs. G. B. Parks, of La Salle, Weld County, believes she holds the record in hatching chicks under hens. Four hens batched 57 chickens from as many eggs. Three of the hens sat on 15 eggs each and one on 12, every egg brought a chicken which lived.

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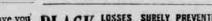
The use of labor-saving appliances and methods presents another angle which is worth considering. In many cases it enables the manager to become independent of experienced Musty food, mouldy food, and come independent of experienced tainted food of any kind should not helpers, since he is able to personally look after the more important matters requiring skill and judgment, Selecting for hardiness should be and delegate the rest of the work to ordinary laborers. Now this ques-tion naturally arises: Will the indi-vidual fowl or growing youngster do as well when handled in this wholesale way? Is there not a loss of efficiency as compared with more painstaking methods? This point may be open to debate. But admitting it for the purpose of argument, there is this to be said: The best policy is that which secures the greatest net returns from the business a whole, not merely from the indi-vidual productive units.-Baltimore American.

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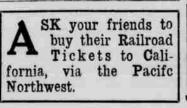
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