

THE POULTRY YARD.

WOMEN AS POULTRY RAISERS.

The special capacity of women for caring for pets has been so well established that it is a matter of surprise that a large number do not make their inclination a matter of profit in the raising of poultry. There is no reason why woman may not be as successful as man in this branch of productive and profitable industry. Indeed, when it is considered that the business requires close attention to minute details, patience and gentleness of manner, woman seems to be peculiarly fitted for the business.

The Danbury man's humorous description of the various ways in which woman and man attempt to get a hen into the coop, and the superiority of the former's method is as true as it is funny. After the henry or coop is built, there is no department of the labor that a woman cannot perform without exhausting labor or too heavy demand upon her time.

"Down South," poultry raising is a woman's special department, and one need not go farther South than Baltimore or Washington to find the markets thronged with the female vendors of their own feathered products. That the business is profitable the experience of hundreds testifies, and that it is healthful, and may be attractive is susceptible of demonstration.—*Iowa Farm Stock Journal.*

UPON WHAT GOOD BREEDING DEPENDS.

In breeding it is a correct principle to avoid the same defects on both sides. Care should be used to balance defects on either side with perfection on the other. It is often quite amusing to observe the profound wisdom of the novice who has but recently picked up a few of the rudiments of the business.

There is more to be learned in this poultry business than many suppose. The old stagers, even, sometimes termed veterans, have not yet got their lessons perfect. Year by year they are gaining knowledge which enables them to produce finer and more perfect fowls. We venture to say that many of them feel that they know less at present than they pretended to know after they had been smitten with the "fever" but a few months.

In our opinion good breeding depends as much upon natural taste, skill, capacity and good management as it does upon anything else. Never overstocking or undertaking to keep more than we can understand and handle well. The application and attention which bring success in other business, are certain to make poultry breeding successful; unless there is a fondness for the business, there will be little profit or progress. Natural fondness, combined with skill and judgment, produce improvement in a breed. All permanent improvements are made by mating up our breeding stock. Here the breeder of poultry must use his greatest discretion; a mistake, and the labor of a season is lost; a hit, and a long step in the line of progress is made that will be certain to rebound to the benefit of the whole fraternity.

Very seldom, or with few breeds do birds mated for exhibition, produce the best results. In obtaining to the most perfect colors, for instance, exhibition Plymouth Rocks will throw good cockerels, but a majority of the pullets will be too dark. Here is an exception to the rule of "like producing like." We hope, however, in time to overcome this exception, and breed the most perfect birds of both sexes from the same mating.

Scarcely two breeders will produce the same type in their strains of the same breed. They differ in their ideal of perfection, especially in form and symmetry. This we have noticed in the light Brahmas particularly. They may be uniform in color and comb, leg and feather, and differ materially in shape. Some strains will have long legs, approaching the knock-kneed, with long necks and narrow bodies, and backs more round than flat, and in style most ungainly. Another may breed a bird short in leg, square build, symmetrical shape, not large as the tall, long specimen, for bones weigh heavy. We like to get birds as large as we can, but will not sacrifice the more useful qualities and symmetry for size.—*W. H. Todd.*

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APPLICATION FOR PATENT.

No. 424.

United States Land Office, Helena, Montana, December 28th, 1875.

Notice is hereby published, that Jonathan Goom, John Jacob Weyberger, and Henry Van Camp, whose post office address is Canyon Ferry, Meagher county, Montana Territory, have this day filed application for patent under the mining laws of Congress, for their placer mine, situated in Avalanche gulch mining district, Meagher county, Montana Territory, designated as lot No. 30 and 37, in T 11 N ranges 1 and 2 E, which claim is not of record, and described in the official plat and field notes on file in this office as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner, from which the n w cor of T 10, N 1 E bears west 449.50 chains distant, and running thence n 27° e 8 chains; thence n 2 deg 30 min w 8 chains; thence n 30 deg e 6.60 chains; thence n 27 deg e 6.20 chains; thence n 15 deg 30 min w 10.90 chains; thence n 15 deg e 9.50 chains; thence n 30 deg e 4 chains; thence n 12 deg e 10.40 chains; thence n 23 deg e 8 chains; thence n 45 deg 30 min e 25.85 chains; thence n 56 deg 45 min e 9.50 chains; thence n 30 deg 45 min e 8.70 chains; thence north 13.50 chains; thence n 47 deg e 15.30 chains; thence n 47 deg 45 min e 14.00 chains; thence s 78 deg e 9.50 chains; thence n 47 deg 30 min e 11 chains; thence n 32 deg e 6 chains; thence n 24 deg 30 min e 15 chains; thence s 55 deg 30 min e 3.50 chains; thence s 20 deg w 25 chains; thence s 61 deg w 18 chains; thence s 85 deg w 6 chains; thence s 43 deg 45 min w 8 chains; thence s 19 deg 30 min w 12 chains; thence s 1 deg 30 min w 10.32 chains; thence s 30 deg w 9.90 chains; thence s 51 deg 30 min w 10.80 chains; thence s 42 deg w 15.55 chains; thence s 48 deg 30 min w 10.90 chains; thence s 32 deg w 5.78 chains; thence s 16 deg 30 min w 11.52 chains; thence s 24 deg 30 min w 10.55 chains; thence s 16 deg 30 min w 7.80 chains; thence south 25 degrees 30 min east 10.50 chains; thence s 32 deg w 9.50 chains; thence s 45 deg 30 min w 5.40 chains; thence s 16 deg 15 min e 9 chains; thence s 29 deg w 6.30 chains; thence west 2.50 chains to the place of beginning, embracing 59.61 acres, upon which a notice of said application for patent was posted the first day of November, 1875. The adjoining claimants to these premises are W. Busey and others on the n e placer claim.

J. H. MOE, Register.

B. F. MARSH, U. S. Dep. Mineral Surveyor. January 6, 1876.-8w.

NOTICE TO MINERS.

United States Land Office, Helena, Montana, December 18, 1875.

George L. Grayson, whose post office address is Centerville, Meagher county, M. T., has this day filed his application to enter as agricultural land, under the Homestead laws, the east half of the north-west quarter and west half of the north-east quarter sec. number ten in township number five, north range two east, which land is suspended from entry. Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be had at this office on the twenty-second day of January, A. D. 1876, at 10 o'clock a. m., to determine as to the mineral or non-mineral character of said land, and testimony to be used upon said hearing will be taken before the Register and Receiver, at Helena, M. T. on the twenty-second day of January, A. D. 1876, at 10 o'clock a. m. It is alleged that there are no known miners, nor mining improvements upon said land. Signed, J. H. MOE, Register. December 23, 1875-5w.

NOTICE TO MINERS.

United States Land Office, Helena, Montana, December 20, 1875.

Abram J. Heckman, whose post office address is Centerville, Meagher county, M. T., has this day filed his application to enter as agricultural land, under the homestead laws, the north-west quarter of the south-east quarter and lots ten, eleven and two of section four, in township number five north, range number two east, which land is suspended from entry. Notice is hereby given, that a hearing will be had at this office, on the twenty-ninth day of January, A. D. 1876, at ten o'clock a. m., to determine as to the mineral or non-mineral character of said land, and testimony to be used upon said hearing will be taken before the Register and Receiver, at Helena, M. T., on the twenty-ninth day of January, A. D. 1876, at 10 o'clock a. m. It is alleged that there are no known miners, nor mining improvements, upon said land. Signed, J. H. MOE, Register. December 23, 1875-5w.