

BUFF COCHIN BANTAMS.

The Buff Cochins Bantam has a famous pedigree. It dates back to the breeds originally owned by Chinese emperors.

They are very small, males weighing 25 to 26 ounces and females 24 to 25 ounces.

The Buff Cochins Bantam chick matures rapidly, and there are many instances on record of pullets hatched in March maturing and laying early

need be fed in the ration, but rather cooling feeds and bone and muscle builders, such as wheat, barley, oats, etc., which contain more ash or mineral matter.

A Good Mixture. At present the writer is using with good success, a mixture calling for 200 pounds of bran, 100 pounds of middlings, 100 pounds of ground oats, 100 pounds of meal alfalfa, and from 10 to 15 per cent of beef scraps, according to the age of the growing chicks.

Where the growing chicks have free range with a good grass or clover ground, they will require no feeding of green feed, but where they are confined to runs devoid of any vegetation, then beet tops, cabbage, cut clover, lawn grass, sprouted oats, or some other green feed should be supplied in liberal quantities.

Small flocks do better with the beginner, because they receive better care and are not overcrowding the quarters provided for them, or the fowls. No matter how well hatched or cared for, the fact remains that when crowded in close quarters, especially during the summer months, the chickens do not make a normal growth.

Give Plenty of Air. Too many houses have small windows, often of glass, with the front tightly boarded up, making them, during hot summer nights, regular bake ovens.

Proper Conditions Essential. No matter how well bred the stock may be, or how well incubated, either artificially or by the hen, or how carefully reared by the brooder or mother hen, the proper conditions, such as clean yards, good feeding, water that is fresh and cool, at least three times a day, proper housing, plenty of room and shade, either natural or artificial, must be provided.

One system of feeding for market is to promote rapid growth of fat, and when large quantities of corn, beef scraps, all meat, wet mash and other forcing methods are used, it is at the expense of vigor and usefulness in the long run, if by chance the chickens so fed are kept over. For the growing chick that is to be the future breeder, layer or prize winner, but little corn

and then becoming broody, sitting, hatching and rearing a brood of chicks in the same year.

the chickens will consume a lot of this from time to time. Keep up the fight against lice. Stock cannot make growth and fight lice at the same time.

Many flocks that should be shelling out from 30 to 45 per cent egg yield, at from five to six months of age from incubation, do not commence to lay as a flock until a month later, always due to neglect in properly handling them from shell to maturity.

INDIAN FIGHTS HARD TO PRESERVE TRIBE (By Associated Press Cable.) Panama, May 23.—An incident recently came to light which clearly shows the determination of the San Blas Indian of Panama to maintain his foothold in the fertile territory in which he lives as well as his desire to maintain purity of blood.

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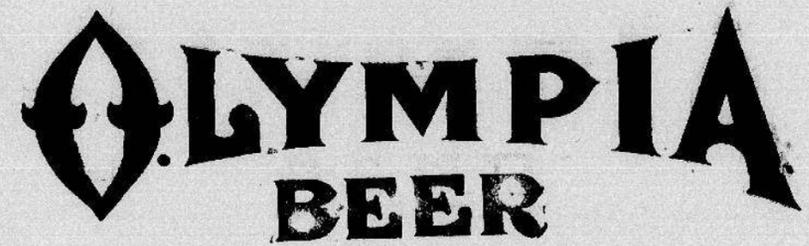
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