



### POULTRY SHIPPING BOX.

Made from Cheap Common Boxes That Can Be Obtained at Any Grocery Store.

An Institute speaker here describes how he makes shipping coops from common cheap shallow boxes such as are common at grocery stores. I am trying the plan this season and find it is the cheapest good shipping coop that I can get. The shallow box shown at the base of the illustration is built up by two end pieces sawed from refuse



LIGHT SHIPPING COOP.

thick box boards joined together and to the box by two cleats inside and wire nails clinched. I get most of my slats from old broken orange crates, which the grocer gives me when I buy boxes, but laths may be used if desired, with a wide slat for the top. To insure careful handling it is best to make handle holes or nail on a couple of short outside cleats.

For a pair of average fowls the coop should not be much less than two feet high, one and one-half feet wide and one and three-fourths feet long. I put inside a couple of ears of corn, an apple or two, and for water nail a tin can to the side of the box. On top of the box I write with a blue pencil the address of the buyer and also of the shipper, including post office address when different from the express office, also the number of chickens inside and the weight of the package if I know it. The address is repeated on a card tacked to the box. This care pleases the expressmen and I think tends to insure prompt and careful handling.—I. A. Stephenson, in Farm and Home.

### BEEES THAT DON'T SWARM.

The Original Queen Was a Gold-Dust Italian and Her Stock is Equally Home-Loving.

Recently we were informed that in Cuba had been discovered a stingless bee. Now comes a man who claims to have a swarming bee. Writing to the American Bee Journal, he says:

So much has been said and written about the desirability of non-swarming bees that I thought perhaps a few words from me would be acceptable, as I have had some experience in that line, and I am convinced that I have got a non-swarming variety of bees. Why do I think so? Because they answer the description as given by nearly all the writers on the subject, namely, they do not swarm; but they do give me surplus honey every year. I can't take credit for better management, for I manage just as all prominent writers say we should manage. There is plenty of room in the brood-chamber for the queen to lay, plenty of ventilation when weather is warm, and I extract whenever the bees begin to seal the honey in the super, so the management is nothing unusual. Yet I have not had a swarm issue in eight years.

I have five colonies back of my home, and my lot is 30 feet wide, with neighbors on both sides. So a swarm could not very well get out without being seen, and my queens' wings are clipped; that is, I clip one wing quite short.

The original queen was a gold-dust Italian, and the ones I now have are of her stock. I am not selling queens, but I do think I have a stock that won't swarm if given fairly good management. I have kept bees off and on for 16 years, but never very many colonies at a time. I use eight-frame dovetailed hives, and run for extracted honey altogether.

### POULTRY YARD NOTES.

First make a few hens pay you a profit, then start the large flock. Many a man has made a failure by starting on too large a scale.

If the market before Thanksgiving is good and the birds are ripe, why wait? There is frequently a glut when all try to sell at once.

No figures, however large, should tempt the grower to sell his best birds. The best is none too good for the breeder who wants to keep his stock up to high standards.

A water-proof roof on the poultry house is a fine thing to have when the cold November rain falls. It will soon be too late to put on a new one or to repair the old.

Put the turkeys and get them ready to celebrate. Feed generously and in such a way that they will not be overreached or deprived of their food by the quicker motioned fowls.—Farm Journal.

### Nervous Prostration.

Dr. Thomas F. Rumbold, in a paper on this subject, attributes the nervous prostration commonly attributed to "overwork" to chronic nasal inflammation, the most potent and frequent factor in the production of which he asserts to be the result of excesses of alcohol, tobacco, and "colds" induced thereby. These practices, he says, increase the congestion of the nasal mucous membrane, producing a tendency to "colds," causing vascular paralysis, which, commencing at the periphery, gradually travels to the brain vascular system, and the author holds that this disturbance of the cerebral circulation is the real reason of the irritability of temper, inability to hold the mind continuously on a definite subject, sleeplessness, forgetfulness, desire for change and excitement, accompanied by physical exhaustion and loss of ambition, which are commonly attributed by the physician to the continuous application of the mind to business and professional duties.—N. Y. Ledger.

### Corran Women Not Named.

In her childhood the Corran woman receives a nickname by which she is known in the family and by her dear friends, but which, when she arrives at maturity, is employed only by her parents. To all other persons she is "the sister" or "the daughter" of such and such a one. After her marriage her name is buried—she is absolutely nameless; her own parents refer to her by mentioning the district into which she has married. Should her marriage be blessed with children she is "the mother" of So-and-So. If it happens that a woman has to appear in a law court the judge gives her a special name for use while the case lasts in order to save time and to simplify matters.—N. Y. World.

### A Boer Wedding Custom.

The South African natives in Boer-land still preserve their old customs, and one of the most curious is that of carrying off a girl for a wife. The custom is called "ukutwana," and the girl, though not indisposed to accept the man, causes every obstacle to be placed in his way. The suitor watches his opportunity (after first placing a many head of cattle in the kraal of the girl's father) and eventually carries away the girl by main force. The heartrending cries of the bride as she is carried away are something pitiful—a cry that pierces the heart of a Christian, but his pity subsides when he learns that in native language it means: "Don't take me, but don't let anyone help me, because I want to go!"—Golden Days.

### Modified Views.

Mr. Nocatee (hotly)—It's a shame, an outrage, a menace to American institutions for one man to have a million dollars. Think of the harm he can do with it. Think of the power he wields.

Mr. Fortymillion—That's so, I guess I'll have to change my will. Having no relatives, I had concluded to divide my wealth among my friends and acquaintances, and as I left you a million—

"Um—er—a good deal depends on the man, you know."—N. Y. Weekly.

### Spontaneous Combustion of Red Lead.

At some works in Germany a canful of minium or red lead had become hardened, and in order to work up the mass again a commencement was made of breaking it into pieces, the whole being left for the night covered with a few sacks. The oxygen of the air soon acted upon the fresh fractures, raising the temperature of the mass, while reducing and igniting the resinous substances that had served to agglomerate the red lead cement, and a fire was only prevented by the fortunate arrival of the watchman.—Scientific American.

### THE MARKETS.

Table of market prices for various commodities like CATTLE, WHEAT, CORN, etc., with columns for item, price, and date.

### THE WRONG SIMILE.

That is in the Case of a Young Lady Who Was a Seal-Breaker.

He kneels at the feet of the heiress. Now, in order to make plain what is to follow, let us state that the heiress weighs 300 pounds, says Judge. True love, however, will concede for the sake of argument, knows no waist-lines. And no woman is ever so fat as her fortune. Therefore, to proceed, messieurs.

He kneels, as we have previously said, at the feet of the heiress. "You are all the world to me!" he exclaims.

"What?" she pants. "You wretch! are you aware of the fact that the equator is the largest diameter of the world?"

In vain does he argue that the equator is an imaginary line. This only makes it worse.

Metaphorically, she sits down on him; metaphorically, he is crushed.

### Wise.

Though worth several millions, Hugh McLaughlin, the Brooklyn democratic boss, spends very little money on himself, his clothing at times being absolutely shabby. His chief lieutenant, James Shevlin, is a relative by marriage and a dealer in shoes, says a New York exchange. "Come over to my store," said Shevlin one day, "and get you a pair of good shoes made." The old man demurred at first, but finally consented and was measured for a fine pair. Shortly afterward he received a bill for \$12, just about three times as much as he is accustomed to pay for footwear. He looked at the document gravely for a minute, wrote across the face of it, "Collect from Shevlin; he's responsible," remailed it to the sender and heard nothing more about the matter.

### Has He Found It?

Polk, Ark., Nov. 9.—A remedy that will absolutely cure Rheumatism has been discovered by Mr. George Hiland of this place. Mr. Hiland is satisfied that the remedy he has used is a sure cure, for it cured him of a very serious case of Acute Rheumatism which he was so bad that he could not move. This is what he says:

"I was troubled with what is called Acute Rheumatism in 1890. I was in such shape that I could not move without help. I was treated by a physician, who helped me some, but I was still in great pain when my wife saw Dodd's Kidney Pills advertised as a cure for Rheumatism. She insisted on my trying them, and I felt better after taking the first box. I continued, and now I am well and able to work all the time. I have found Dodd's Kidney Pills to be just what they are claimed to be, a perfect cure for Rheumatism."

Mr. Hiland's very positive statement seems to settle all doubt as to whether or not Rheumatism can be cured.

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### Pointed Query.

She—I might have married a foreign nobleman! He—That so—who did pay his debts?—Judge.

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HON. JOHN T. SHEAHAN, OF CHICAGO.

Hon. John T. Sheahan, who has been for seventeen years manager of Marshall Field & Co.'s wholesale warehouse, and is corporal 3d Regiment Infantry, I. N. G., writes the following letter from 5753 Indiana avenue, Flat 814, Chicago, Ill.:

Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio. Gentlemen—Last summer I caught a cold which seemed to settle in my kidneys and affected them badly. I tried a couple of kidney remedies largely advertised, but they did not help me any. One of my foremen told me of the great help he had received in using Peruna in a similar case, and I at once procured some.

"It was indeed a blessing to me, as I am on my feet a large part of the day, and trouble such as I had affected me seriously, but four bottles of Peruna cured me entirely and I would not be without it for three months salary."—JOHN T. SHEAHAN.

Mr. Jacob Fleig writes from 44 Sumner avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.:

"I am now a new man at the age of seventy-five years, thanks to your wonderful remedy Peruna."—Jacob Fleig.

Catarrhal inflammation of the mucous lining of the kidneys, also called "Bright's disease," may be either acute or chronic. The acute form produces symptoms of such prominence that the serious nature of the disease is at once suspected, but the chronic variety may come on so gradually and insidiously that its presence is not suspected until after it has fastened itself thoroughly upon its victims.

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