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FROM ROOST TO PLANT.
Richest of all Manures—How to Use it Successfully.

While we feed our chickens, they, to a great extent, feed our garden. In this work the young and the old chickens lend aid; and by saving all their droppings from the roost, we are enabled to fertilize our vegetables extensively, writes a correspondent of The Epitomist. Hen manure is very rich—perhaps the richest of all manures—and a little of it goes a long way.

About twice a week we clean out our chicken quarters and carry the droppings to the garden, where we scatter them about the plants, such as tomatoes, cabbage, sweet potatoes, and even the corn and beans, and work the stuff in with a hoe. At other times we clean out the scratching pens and scatter the fine trash, which has considerable fertilizer mixed in with it, about the vegetables also. This kind of manure is splendid in weather, such as we are having right now, as it serves as much about the base of the plants, as we leave it on the surface. True, a host of little chickens—whose mothers cannot get into the garden—go in there and scratch it about some, but they do more good than harm, as they hunt out any stray seeds and insects that may be in the trash.

Persons who have limited range for their poultry, and a shortage of grass, can utilize the fertilizer mentioned to great advantage in growing green stuff. Our plan is to thoroughly pulverize the soil, then make a trench three or four inches deep, scatter oats in it, then cover an inch or so with hen manure, drawing the loose soil over all. This will make a very vigorous growth of dark green and succulent sprouts that may be gathered over several times in the course of the season before it will get too old and tough.

One peculiarity of the hen fertilizer is the dark green color it imparts to everything it is applied to. We have now some tomato and vegetable plants that we manured quite freely from the chicken roost that are exceedingly dark in color. Before applying it to plants or seeds, however, always mix it well with loose soil, in the proportion of three parts soil to one of manure, for it is powerful, and if applied in a pure state is apt to fire or overheat the plants and to injure the seeds or the sprouts from them. But after the plants are well under way the manure may be scattered about them on the surface of the ground, to be carried down by the action of the rains, without any danger of firing the plants. It may be used in the same way about young fruit trees to good advantage.

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Sneezes Interrupted Court.
The case of John H. Vette against John C. Obert was on trial in Judge Haughton's court recently. During the process of the suit the lawyers had a tilt over the admission of certain evidence, and the following dialogue ensued:
"Your honor, the assertion that was just made by the—ec-cachoo!"
—on my —ec-cachoo—is absolutely—ec-cachoo!"

"Your honor, I—ec-cachoo—sir, to the statement made by ec-cachoo!"
Judge Haughton admitted the testimony and the witness proceeded.
"Well, it was just this—ec-cachoo—I said to Mr. ec-cachoo-cachoo—and he said to me ec-cachoo-cachoo-cachoo!"

At this point nearly everyone in court was sneezing. Lawyers, clients, jurors, and witnesses joined in a sneezing chorus, in which sneezes of various quality and a wide range of tone and discord were mingled. The pompous, ponderous sneeze of Constable Hand was a most effective basso that gave strength to the chorus, while the beautiful treble of Court Fredrick von Gereke rose clear and shrill above the minor notes. The jurors formed a melodious accompaniment to the general burden of the grand, sweet song.

Naturally during this outburst of Wagnerian solemnity court was interrupted. Judge Haughton rapped for order, but the only reply was from a big German butcher, one of the jury, who, with his magnificent tenor, sent his voice upwards in a series of trills, runs and cadenzas in what was probably one of the most beautiful collection of sneezes ever heard. Then dropping, with a series of grace notes, to the lower register, he ended with a movement in rag time, in a five-flat finally that would have done credit to Sousa's band.

At this moment Judge Haughton looked through the open door into the back room, where Tom MacAleavy was unconcernedly rolling and breaking, in front of an open window, the supply of tobacco which he intends to take on his fishing trip. The fine dust from the dry leaf—and Tom is said to smoke the strongest tobacco in town—was being wafted into the court room on the gentle breeze. The door was shut, all the windows opened and the court proceeded. But, despite the comedy which had just been enacted, there was scarcely a dry eye in the room.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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That is, in a great degree, true of all men which was said of the Athenians, that they were like sheep, of which a flock is more easily driven than a single one.—Richard Whately, D. D.

O. S. Doan, of Clinton, says not to go on suffering as he did for years with Salt Rheum, when a few boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment will cure you. Dr. Chase's Ointment cured Hiram Frey, of Norwood, after suffering ten years with Eczema of the leg. Chase's Ointment also cured his little girl of Eczema on her face.

THE THOROUGHbred HOG.
Reasons Why He Should Have a Place on Every Farm.

At an Iowa Farmers' Institute, in reply to the question, would you have a thoroughbred herd of hogs on every farm? A prominent hog-raiser said:—

If my plan could prevail I would have nothing but pure bred hogs in this country. I do not mean by that that every herd should be registered. That would be an expensive uselessness, but I do mean that all stock should be traceable to recorded ancestry.

Then let the registered herds be kept up to the highest standard of excellence to supply a male head for each of these pork herds. The professional breeder would then do a flourishing business and the farmer would not be looking around for the best hog of Christendom for ten dollars. He would demand something better than that and would be reaping the profit which he justly deserves from feeding his farm produce to a class of hogs that would net a snug profit and command a premium on any market, whether high or low, and at the same time have a bunch of hogs that he could take infinite satisfaction in "hanging on the fence" to look at and to show his neighbor, because they always call forth favorable comment and admiration, which would be an incentive for something a little better, if possible, for the next crop.

I say that until the thoroughbred hog shall be given a place on every farm his true mission is not fulfilled, and further, that the mission of the professional breeder, if he be honest and unselfish and sees the whole thoroughbred scheme in its proper light, is not fulfilled until such is the case.

If every farmer could see this plan from the proper standpoint and could comprehend the advantages of accruing from its consummation, three years at most would accomplish the work. But though firm in the faith as I am, I have grave doubts if it is ever accomplished. There is too great a diversity in human nature, too wide a range of disposition, too many scrub men, too much indifference to even expect to see all the farmers stand on a level in any branch of industry.

However, the case is advancing, and one fact is well established, that when a man once gets a taste of thoroughbred blood, like the bull dog, he never lets loose except to get a better hold.

Curious Lands in Florida.

Payne's prairie, three miles south of this city, says the Gainesville Sun, covers an area of 50,000 acres. A large proportion of the prairie is now covered with water, but there are thousands of acres around the borders of the lake which has been formed on which horses and cattle graze. There is no way of estimating the number of cattle, but there are many thousands, and they are in fine condition. The prairie, of Savanna, which it really is, occasionally goes dry, the water passing out through a subterranean passage called the sink. Where the water goes to has never been determined. When the sink is open the lakes go dry, and when the outlet becomes gorged or choked, a lake from five to seven miles wide and eighteen miles long is formed. When the waters of the lake suddenly leave it, thousands of alligators, snakes, fish and turtles are left with nothing but mud for their place of abode. The fish and turtles perish, but the saurians and reptiles seek and find other quarters.

For miles along the northern border of the lake there is a succession of sinks, averaging in depth all the way from twenty-five to one hundred feet. Subterranean passages run in every direction, leaving the ground in the shape of a honey-comb. The ground is liable to give way at any time, creating a new sink. The scenery around the lake, especially on the north side, is unique and grand, and is an attractive feature to strangers who visit this city. The sink has for many years been a popular resort for citizens of Gainesville, who go there to fish, boatride, and in other ways enjoy themselves. It is said that this vast area of land could be drained at trifling expense, and, were it drained, it would be the largest as well as the richest tract of productive land in Florida. It is for the most part a bed of muck. The land is owned by various individuals.

Prominent Business Man of Peterboro Cured of Eczema.

Mr. Thos. Gladman, book-keeper for Adam Hall, Esq., store and tinware dealer, Peterboro, writes the following facts:—"Have been troubled for nine years with Eczema on my leg, and at times the itching was something terrible; tried many eminent doctors and was pronounced incurable. I had given up hopes of even being cured when I was recommended by Mr. Madill, druggist, to try a box of Dr. Chase's Ointment, and I am happy to testify that after using two boxes I am completely cured."

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"Been taking the gold cure."

"S' that so? Never knew there was any necessitis for it in your case!"

"Oh! I don't mean the kind you mean. I made up my mind to go as far as Klondike, and got as far as Kansas City. I thought, as they were paying \$15 a day wages in, 'the diggins' I might catch onto a job and make a good thing of it until I could hunt around and strike a rich claim. In Kansas City they confirmed the statement about the \$15 per day, but they hitched on the information that the days were thirteen months long there. That cured me and I came back. Fifteen goes into thirteen nix times and nix over."—New York Commercial Advertiser.

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