

extreme left. He breeds buff Cochins in his spare time. Mr. Mick, the President is seated at the right. He is of the well known firm of buff Leghorn breeders, Mick & Spry. Next Dr. Bell is Mr. Chambers, the Orpington man, in the centre is Mr. Daniels, the well known show superintendent, and next him is Mr. Shales, the heavy weight of the party. Standing at the back is Mr. Dewey with a look of deep thought on his classic countenance. He is either pondering on black Langshans or the next ball game, ten to one on the former. Next is Mr. Bonnick, past-president, and then Mr. Durston, ex-secretary and black Minorca specialist. The lady who spansks the editor's babies says the individual standing at the right did not get "half a show," the photographer evidently had designs on his face.

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Mr. G. J. Lovell has added to his white Plymouth Rocks the cock winner of first at the "Industrial" of 1897 and the "Ontario" 1898 and several Hawkin's pullets.

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Mr. Jarvis paid us a brief visit on his way east. He states that Owen Sound had a grand quality show of over one thousand birds, so large, in fact, that it was found impossible to score them and so the judging was done by comparison. Over seventy sat down to the annual banquet which was a success in every way.

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What are show reports for? We ask the question as there appears to be a growing delusion amongst exhibitors and advertisers, especially in the United States, that show reports are written or should be written simply to sell birds, no matter whether the so-called criticism is true or otherwise. That this false position has been to a less or greater extent pandered to by certain journals on the other side, who publish

the winnings of their advertisers only, and indulge in promiscuous "write-ups" cannot be denied. This, however, is not the mission of the Canadian Poultry Review. We publish awards in full and shall, where opportunity occurs, praise or criticize as may be and as in our judgment the case demands and the best interests of the fraternity need. We do not claim to know it all but anything we pen may be taken as our honest opinion of the merits of the specimens written of. It is a pleasure, and a great one, to say everything good of exhibits that we honestly can and anything to the contrary that is written is not done in any carping spirit of criticism but as in our judgment is necessary for the information of our readers, the very great majority of whom are not exhibitors. We publish all lists in full, treat all alike and it is a matter of perfect indifference to us who wins—advertiser or not—as long as he wins fairly and justly. Have we said enough?

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Mr. R. J. Taylor, Brantford, has bought the white crested black Poland cockerel, winner of firsts at Owen Sound and Brantford. At the former show he also won the silver cup for best bird in show, with a score of 98 points, so it will be seen what a good one he is.

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Mr. Alvin Bricker, Listowel, has bought the prize winning white Minorcas advertised by Mrs. Shales in last Review.

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The Toronto Poultry and G. P. Co., are getting no less than twenty-five barred Plymouth Rock hens of high quality from Mr. A. C. Hawkins, and will add this ever popular breed to their specialties.

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Mr. L. H. Baldwin, Toronto, has imported a white Wyandotte cockerel from A. C. Hawkins, a grand combination of pure white color and rich orange leg. He has

also bought one of Mr. Duston's well known strain. These birds will head his pens the coming season.

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Mr. Miller was surprised to receive a gold medal at Peterboro' in place of the silver one offered. It is neat and chaste in design and of course of a larger monetary value than was originally intended.

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Mrs. Yuill was present at the "Ontario" to demonstrate the use of the cramming machine used for fattening chickens and also had one of the approved fattening coops.

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The County Grey Association Show, held for so many years continuously in Owen Sound, will next season be held in Durham.

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Mr. McNeil wound up his showing season for this winter at Boston, where he won one hundred and sixty dollars in specials alone, not counting regular premiums.

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Mr. A. P. Mutchmor was unanimously elected secretary of the Eastern Ontario Association on Mr. Gisborne's retiring. Mr. Fred Blake, Almonte, is the new president.

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## CORRECTIONS.

### TORONTO LIST.

For Mick (buff Leghorns) read Spry & Mick. Japanese Bantam cock—1st should be Donovan.

Should read McCormack & Millard, Rockton and Dundas (barred Rocks).

For Barker, read Barker & Muir. For Wolfe, read Wolfe and Mason.

C. J. Daniels informs us he won 2nd on light Brahma pullet here.

John Ramsay won special for best white Leghorn on 1st cock.

Geo. W. Miller says that at Woodstock his buff Leghorns scored as follows, and not as we had it: 1st cockerel 91; 1st pullet, 95 1-2.

T. H. Scott claims 1st and 2nd on buff Rock pullets at Woodstock with scores of 95 1-2 and 91.

At Guelph Mrs. Forster won prize for best pair white Plymouth Rocks (cockerel and pullet) not Bogue.

C. H. McNeil in Ingersoll list should read McNeil & Co.

Please note that I won 1st cock and 2nd hen (pullet) on R.C.B. Leghorns at Woodstock Poultry Show instead of on R.C. White Leghorns, as published in January Review, and oblige. Wm. W. Cadman, St. Thomas (January 13th).