

pullets; we have not seen as good for years, typical in shape and style, and lacing grand. *Hamburgs*—It would be useless to describe the winners in all these classes as every bird exhibited is good enough to win in very strong competition, suffice it to say that they were the best lot of Hamburgs ever brought together in this country. I trust that the next Ontario will outshine all previous ones both in quantity and quality.

THOS. H. SMELT.

The Ontario can boast an orchestra of trained(?) players. Mr. Barber who has lately joined "the army" is an accomplished tambo. "Hizzanner" Burn plays feelingly on the big drum, and Mr. Senior makes an efficient drum major. They serenaded the Guelphites on the last day of the show, Mr. Oke taking the "bokay" for the handsomest man in the procession.

The *Guelph Advocate* reports this musical treat as follows.

"Just as the city hall clock struck eleven this morning a noise was heard in the drill hall that put to shame any feeble efforts that were made by the poultry exhibit. Two minutes later the cause was apparent. The poultry men were on the toot. Not drunk however, but simply blowing themselves, or rather the instruments they carried.

The procession was an august one, as august as could be expected for a January day. It was about fifty strong and was headed by Mr. Senior, of Hamilton, who swung a baton of rubber hose, just the same as if he had been drum major of the 30th. Next came the human sandwich beating a tambourine and bearing on his heaving breast, an old sign, announcing that a band concert was given last summer at the ball grounds. His name was Dick Oke, and he hails from London. G. J. Lovell, Toronto, and Mayor Burn of Tilsonburg were next. They each had bass drums and looked very weak in the knees. A snap shot was taken of His Worship (he of Tilsonburg). This will be carefully retouched by an *Advocate* artist and sent to the civic chambers of that busy little town, so that they can see the antics that their head man kicks up away from home. W. J. Bell, of Angus, is evidently an orangeman, for he played the fife in a way that would make any Irishman turn green with envy. A Guelph man beat the cymbals. W. Barber, of Toronto and J. Saunders, each played "bazoos." Mr. Barber's bazoo was six notches lower than Mr. Saunders so we refrain from any comments. The procession which followed was kept in line by Jimmy Main, he of the long whiskers and beardless lip. Jimmy is a veteran, and knows how to marshal the boys. He headed straight for the Western, and then made a bee line for the Commercial, where the band is stopping. Needless to say Josh Simpkin's show was not in it with this parade. On every side they received ovations.

WHAT THE BOYS SAID.

"Who struck gran'pa on the nose?" "That barn-door story won't go."

"Chestnuts grow on (London) Okes."

"What L. O. L. does Bro. Bell belong to?"

"Mr. Barber, of London."

"Rah for London."

"Why wasn't Browne red coat and all in that procesh? The "bokay" was his."

"Who is the handsome man from London that smashed the camera for the big photo."

[We thought we heard something crack. Ed.]

"We must take up a subscription to buy Dick a new hat."

PRIZE LIST.

Brahma, light cock, John Cole 91, Oldrieve & Wilkinson 89½, John Cameron 88½. Hen, Oldrieve & Wilkinson 94½, Cameron 92½, 90½. Cockerel, Cameron 92, Cole 90½, Oldrieve & Wilkinson 89. Pullet, Oldrieve & Wilkinson 93, Cameron 91½, Cole 90. Dark cock, J. H. Saunders 91, Thorpe & Scott 90, 89½. Hen, Saunders 93, Thorpe & Scott 93, Saunders 93. Cockerel, Thorpe & Scott 63, 91½. Pullet, Thorpe & Scott 90½, 90. *Cochin*, buff, cock, G. G. McCormick 94½, 93½, 92½. Hen, McCormick 94½. A. W. Bell 63½, McCormick 93½. Cockerel, McCormick 95½, 93½, 92½. Pullet, McCormick 95½, 94, 93. Partridge, hen, A. W. Bell 94, L. G. Pequegnat 93½, R. Oke 92½. Cockerel, Bell 92½, J. L. Corcoran, 9½. Pullet Bell 92½, Pequegnat 90½, Corcoran 88. White, cock, Wm. McNeil 92. Hen, McNeil 92½, Jos. Foster 90. Cockerel, McNeil 93½, 92½. Pullet McNeil 97, 94½. Foster 91½. *Plymouth Rock*, barred, cock, E. Dickenson 93½, 92½, Turpin & Feters 90½. Hen, J. E. Bennett 93, 91½, 91½. Cockerel, Dickenson 92½. John Fleisch 91½, Wm. McLoud 91½. Pullet, Bennett 93, McLoud 92½, Robt. Young 91½. White, cock, Thos. Rice 93, Gallinger Bros 91, Geo. Bogue 88½. Hen, Rice 96, 96, Gallinger Bros 92½. Cockerel, Rice 95, Bogue 94, Rice 93½. Pullet, Rice 96, J. W. Kedwell 94½, Gallinger Bros 94. Buff, cock, R. H. Essex 90½, 90½, 89. Hen, Essex 92, 89½, Milton & Mitchelltree 87. Cockerel, Essex 91½, J. Colson 91, Essex 91. Pullet, Essex 92½, Milton & Mitchelltree 90½, 90. *Bantam*, black-red, cock, Wm. Barber 95½; Oldrieve & Wilkinson 94½; A. W. Tyson, 93, Hen, Barber, 94½; Oldrieve and Wilkinson 94; A. W. Tyson, 93½, Cockerel, Barber 94; Tyson 91½; Oldrieve and Wilkinson 91, Pullet, Barber 95½; Tyson 95; Howard 94½, brown red, cock, Oldrieve and Wilkinson 93; Barber 93, 87½. Hen, Bonnick, 93; Oldrieve and Wilkinson 92½; Barber 91½, Cockerel, Barber 94½, 92½; Bonnick 91, Pullet, Barber 94, 92½. duckwing, cock, Oldrieve and Wilkinson 92; Barber 91½, Hen, Oldrieve and Wilkinson 95; Barber 94½, 93, Cockerel, Barber 94½ 2nd 94; Oldrieve and Wilkinson 92½, Pullet, Barber, 94, 93; Oldrieve and Wilkinson 93. pyle, cock, Oldrieve and Wilkinson 95½; W. L. Mitchelltree, 95; H. Sallows 92½. Hen, Oldrieve and Wilkinson 93; Barber, 92; Hart and Grinoldby, 91½, Cockerel, Mitchelltree 93½; Hart and Grinoldby 92½; Barber 92½. Pullet, Barber 94; Hart and Grinoldby 93½; Oldrieve and Wilkinson 93½; Bantam, A. O. V. Game, cock, H. B. Donovan, 94½, 93, Hen, Donovan 94½, 94, Cockerel, Donovan 96, 92 Pullet, Donovan, 94½, 94. Golden Sebright, Cock, McNeil, 94½; Oke, 91, Hen, McNeil, 95; Oke