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## ANSWERED.

*The director of this department has resolved himself into a large interrogation point, and will undertake to answer any questions our readers may choose to ask from time to time. If you are in difficulty along any line, let us know, and we will do our best to help you.*

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## BITS OF GRIT.

WE shall give our readers, from time to time, descriptions of different poultry ranches here in British Columbia. It will be a help to present poultry raisers or those contemplating the industry to know how successful men are doing it right here in the Province.

THE *Canadian Poultry Review* is the authority for the statement that Mr. C. J. Daniels, the well known Toronto breeder, shipped twelve sittings of eggs to British Columbia in March, also sending a bone mill to New Westminster the same month.

WE learn that Judge Hewes is soon to give all his time to the supervision of a large poultry farm, where we presume the Barred Plymouth Rock and Silver Wyandotte will hold unquestioned sway. The Judge's many British Columbia friends wish him every success.

THERE is often a little difficulty in passing thoroughbred fowls through the Custom House on account of not having the proper certificate. To remedy this, the Editor has prepared a printed form which has been approved by the Collector at this port and can be had at the FANCIER offices for ten cents.

M. R. Thos. Rice of Whithy, Ont., says in the *Canadian Poultry Review*. "He has made several shipments of birds and eggs to British Columbia." We don't doubt it at all and could go right on and name a long list of eastern breeders and old country fanciers who within the past four months have marked more than one crate of fowls and box of eggs "British Columbia." Seventy five settings of eggs into Nanaimo was one week's record in March, and still the good work goes on. The second annual show of the Nanaimo Poultry Society will be a revelation we are sure.

THERE are several contemplated poultry ranches in the vicinity of Nanaimo and as they are in the hands of capable men, we should not be surprised if they were successful. It pays to keep hens but not to leave hens to keep themselves.

WE publish on another page an article from the *Australian Poultry and Dog Gazette* which will give our readers a little idea of what our friends in the land of the Southern Cross are doing.

C. W. RILEY, the well known breeder, is hard at work on the improvement of his Vancouver breeding establishment, and it would not take much of a prophet to predict that in a few years his yards will be as complete as one could desire. We have arranged to give our readers a detailed account of them shortly.

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## EXHIBITION DATES.

Season 1894-5.

## PACIFIC COAST.

*Nanaimo, B. C.*—Second Annual Show Nanaimo Poultry Society Dec. 18-21st, P. W. Tague, Secretary, Nanaimo, B. C.

*San Francisco, Cal.*—Second Annual Exhibition California State Poultry Association Dec. 26-Jan. 2nd, A. Armstrong, Secretary, Petaluma, Cal.

*Vancouver, B. C.*—First Annual Show Vancouver Poultry and Pet Stock Association, Winter 1894-5, Geo. Bartley, Secretary.

*Tacoma, Wash.*—First Annual Show Tacoma Poultry Association, Jan. 8-12, H. H. Collier, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

*Portland, Ore.*—First Annual Exhibition Oregon State Poultry Association, Winter 1894-5, H. S. Hudson, Secretary, Gaston, Oregon.

*Victoria, B. C.*—Winter of 1894-5, Seventh Annual Show B. C. Poultry, Dog and Pet Stock Association, W. B. Chambers, Secretary.

## AUSTRALIA.

*Melbourne, Victoria.*—Annual Show Australian Canary and Pigeon Improvement Society, Melbourne, June 28-30, 1894, W. Simpson, Esq., Secretary, 220 Victoria St. West Melbourne.

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I replied, "my friend there may be exceptions to a general rule, but how do you advertise?"

I put it in a weekly newspaper three times and paid a dollar and a half for it? I replied, "Sir, advertising is like learning, a little is a dangerous thing."—*P. T. Barnum's Autobiography.*