

mouth Rocks, and Games, there were several fine birds left out after the cards were up. Mr. Bicknell scored the birds, and his awards gave general satisfaction. He does not look a day older than when we first met him, some ten years ago.

On the evening of Friday, the visitors were entertained at an oyster supper. A couple of hours were pleasantly spent in speeches and social conversation.

Now that the ice is broken we will look for the formation of a strong society in Chatham, and the holding of an excellent show annually. The material, both in men and birds, is there. We know that Mr. Macpherson will not be idle, and we hope all will join in and give an impetus to the fancy that will be felt throughout the whole neighborhood.

#### PRIZE LIST.

**BRAHMAS.**—*Light:* pair fowls: 1st, F Sanagan, 174. Chicks, 1st and 2nd, Wm Penman, 180 and 185. *Dark:* chicks, 1st, J M Macpherson, 184½; 2nd, F Sanagan, 181½.

**COCHINS.**—*Partridge:* chicks, 1st and 2nd, Wm Penman, 185 and 184½. *White:* fowls, 1st, J M Macpherson, 183½.

**LANGSHANS.**—Chicks, 1st, same, 191½; 2nd, W Oliver, 187½.

**PLYMOUTH ROCK.**—fowls, 1st and 2nd, Wm Penman, 185½ & 176½. Chicks: 1st and 2nd, same, 188 and 184½.

**WYANDOTTES.**—1st, Wm Penman, 180½.

**DORKINGS.**—*Silver-gray:* 1st, Thos Pierce, 186½.

**GAME.**—*Black-B. Red:* fowls: 1st, Lott Fields, 188½; 2nd, W Carling, Exeter, 185. *Red Pyle:* fowls, 1st, W Roche, 190. Chicks: same, 180½. *Any other variety:* fowls: same, 170½.

**HAMBURG.**—*Silver-spangled:* fowls: 1st, D McCoig, 164½.

**LEGHORNS.**—*White:* chicks, 1st, D Anquetil, 183½; 2nd, J W Small, 177½.

**SPANISH.**—*W. F. B:* chicks: 1st, J Hadley, 179½.

**POLISH.**—fowls, 1st, M Daniels, 180½. Chicks, same, 184.

**BANTAMS.**—*Game:* fowls: 1st, Lott Fields, 178½. Chicks, 1st Chas W Baxter, 190½.

**DUCKS.**—*Pekin:* 1st, J Meyer.

**GESE.**—1st J H Fields.

**TURKEYS.**—1st and 2nd, J W Shackleton.

**PIGEONS.**—*Pouters:* 1st and 2nd; *Carriers:* 1st and 2nd; *Tumblers:* 1st; *Antwerps:* 1st and 2nd; *Pantails:* 1st and 2nd; *Jacobins:* 1st; *Owls:* 1st; *Nuns:* 1st, all, H B Donovan, Toronto.

#### SPECIALS.

Highest scoring bird in the show, J M Macpherson. Highest scoring entry, Asiatics, same; do, American, W Penman; do, Dorkings, Thos Pierce; do, Games, Lott Fields; do, Hamburgs, D McCoig; do, Leghorns D Anquetil; do, Polands, M Daniels; do, Bantams, C Baxter; do, Turkeys, D Shackleton; do, Geese, J H Fields; do, Pigeons, H B Donovan. Breeding pen Light Brahmas, W Penman. Collection of Pigeons, H B Donovan.

### Annual Meeting of the Montreal Poultry and Pet Stock Association.

The annual meeting of this association was held in the Hope Coffee House on the 12th of March, 1885. Mr. W. Lavers, president, in the chair. There were present Messrs. Thos. Costen, A. Joyce, Dr. Nichol, Dr. Andres, J. H. Cayford and many others.

The meeting being declared open the secretary read his annual report, which was as follows:—

I beg to submit this, the seventh annual report of the Society, and as I have had the honor of preparing five of them, to insure in the future a little variety, it will be necessary to make the office like that of the Mayor, changeable, and put some new blood in to help give the Society a fresh impetus.

In the last annual report mention was made of the Dominion exhibition, that was to be held in this city during the fall of the year, and the desir-

ability of having a representation from the Society on the Exhibition committee was alluded to.

Our president was placed on that committee, and through his efforts, assisted by members of this society, the most successful fall exhibition of poultry and pet stock took place that was ever held in the city, forming not the least attractive portion of the exhibition, as the building was crowded with visitors.

The annual show of the society was held in the Mechanics' Hall on the 13th, 14th and 16th of February, 1885. Through the liberality of A. Joyce and others, special prizes were offered for dressed and trussed poultry. As this was the first time this department had been added to our prize-list it was hoped that it would have met with a generous response from the farmers and poultrymen of the district. But unfortunately the entries were few in number, thus showing the need of perseverance in this department till there is an exhibit of dressed poultry worthy of the large and increasing interest it represents.

The entries showed an increase of 100 over last year, and owing to the superior advantages of the Mechanics' Hall the exhibits were placed in a much more favorable position than the previous year. It is gratifying to record that the exhibits increase year by year, and in those classes that have large entries they compare favorably as to quality with the largest shows held in America, and this statement is made advisedly from the writer's observations.

The pigeons were judged by John James of Toronto; the birds, etc., by J. Scott, of Montreal; the poultry by I. K. Felch, of Natick, Mass., for the third year in succession.

As the subject of scoring has been ventilated through the columns of the CANADIAN POULTRY REVIEW during the past year, and as this society was the first in Canada to adopt the scoring system, it is desirable that it should be placed on record that this society is of the opinion that the scoring system is the best way of judging a show, as the judge places on record his reasons for arriving at his decision, and the score card has been found one of the best means of educating the fanciers of this society.

The thanks of the society are due to Joseph Hickson, Esq., for favors received; to Messrs. James and Scott, who kindly acted as judges; also to those citizens who so generously donated the special prizes.

The receipts for the year were \$370.53, the expenses \$369.92, leaving a balance in hand of 58 cents. The whole respectfully submitted.

J. H. CAYFORD, *Secretary.*

The election of officers was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—President, W. Lavers; 1st Vice-President, Thos. Costen; 2nd Vice-President, G. C. Philpott; 3rd Vice-President, J. C. Nichol; Secretary-Treasurer, J. H. Cayford. Executive Committee, Messrs. J. Ainsley, T. Bastien, H. Beckham, M. T. Keating, R. Lavers, R. C. Wills, Wm. Cox, M. M. P., Dr. Andres, J. J. Riddle, A. Rheame, J. Scott, R. G. Taylor and Sergeant Wilson.

Votes of thanks were then passed to the retiring officers, and to the Hope Coffee House Association for the free use of a room for committee and other meetings during the year, also to Messrs. James and Scott for services as judges, and to Mr. Jas. Fullerton of the CANADIAN POULTRY REVIEW.