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who like to be making money, by laying such lots of eggs and growing so toothsome looking. No wonder virtuous people are "down" on them; enticing people as they do into a love for money and good dinners, and we all know that after a real fine dinner some men have been known to drink a glass of beer. So you see, Mr. Editor, they must be bad at heart—anti-temperance bipeds. But "with all their faults I love them still." There is in all poultry journals to be found an intimation that Wyandottes do not breed true. This is altogether erroneous. They have as much likeness to each other in flocks as any other separate breed, and as many prize birds to the hundred. There is, however, more, much more, required of them in the different sections—as to plumage—in judging, than most other breeds. And that in the eyes of many takes the meaning of "breeding true" when in large numbers.

## THE LEGHORN.

BY W.

The Leghorn fowl, originally from the Mediterranean, has by careful breeding in the United States and Canada become a recognized American variety of the greatest possible value. The white variety was, I believe, the first to be bred straight for color and fancy points, and at once was taken hold of and became justly popular. They were quickly followed by the Browns, which immediately became great favorites, and these two varieties



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went over the length and breadth of the land. The blacks and dominiques also appeared, and for a time the blacks became popular, but except with a few ardent admirers were passed in the race for popularity by more startling novelties. Yet the black has come to the front again of late years, and is now recognised on its merits—standing on a par with the whites and browns. The white Leghorns are very handsome. Their snow white plumage, bright scarlet combs and wattles, red face and clear white ear-lobe, with their sprightly handsome carriage make them objects of admiration wherever seen. The brown variety is also a most beautiful bird and in general color very similar to the well known black-red Games. They are very showy, and the cock carries himself with great elegance—quite the dandy (or *dude* as now called.) The dominique Leghorns are less known and have never become very popular. The black variety is a great beauty—plumage, lustrous black, with brilliant metallic reflections, and are now popular bidders for public favors.

Pile Leghorns have of late been produced in England, but at present we know but little of them.

Leghorns are great layers, and indeed this is their great economic value. They are non-sitters; very hardy; easily fed, if given plenty of room; eggs are almost invariably fertile; the chicks very precocious, crowing in thirty days from hatch and mature very quickly,