

from John Hopkins, England, consisting of one cockerel, one hen, and three pullets. We have Mr. Hopkins' letter to Mr. McCormick, in which he comments on the birds as follows: "I fully intended to show these at our Great Crystal Palace Show. The cockerel is undoubtedly the best in this country. Hen is a well-known winner, never a better lived for cockerel breeding, has the best face I ever saw. The three pullets are the pick of all my birds, and are all bred from my champion pair, never beaten. I also wrote in my sales book that this is by far the best lot I ever exported."

#### AMERICAN BUFF COCHIN CLUB.

The second annual meeting of this Club will be held at Buffalo, N. Y., Friday, Jan. 17th, 1889. The meeting will be held in Music Hall, and called to order at 10 a.m. As the Club offers a grand special of \$50, it is looked for a large turn out of Buff breeders.

#### GRAND SPECIAL OF \$50.

The American Buff Cochin Club will offer a special prize of \$50 in cash at the great Buffalo show this winter, as follows: \$35, for best breeding pen of Buff Cochins; \$10, for second best pen, and \$5 for third best pen. These premiums will be offered separately from the Society's regular premiums, and all entries must be made to the Secretary. George E. Peer, Rochester, N. Y. An entry fee of \$5 will be charged for each pen entered, except to members of the Club donating, when they will be allowed to enter one pen free.

#### A KENNEL PAPER.

Is there no "doggie" man in Canada with enterprise enough to start a kennel paper? and are there not enough "canines" in the Dominion to keep it alive? We are continually receiving enquiries as to a paper of this nature.

#### PIGEONS & PETS,

the first number of which will be issued Dec. 15th, will contain a full page

engraving of the great lop-ear buck Robin Hood, winner of over 30 prizes in England. Besides this, numerous other interesting features will appear in its pages.



#### MORTIMER'S MONTHLY MORSELS.

Now that you have a good business, how do you feel towards it, Satisfied? We hope far from it. Admit that notion and we drift. Drifting is decay. Be buoyant, energetic, but never perfectly satisfied. Your business has defects. Find them out and remedy them. Your increasing sales command larger efforts. Let your notion of business be to attempt, as soon as you safely can, stronger, bigger and better things than ever. Did you ever know such attempts to fail, where prudence and judgment were used, as well as enterprise and courage?

Why don't we hear more from our Canadian fanciers. Come, send us the news. You can give us many interesting, practical articles if you only try. Help along the efforts to make the REVIEW a first-class magazine.

An occasional dish of charcoal (charred corn is the best) is good for the hens, brightening up their combs, toning up their systems generally, and tending to the production of eggs. Give it a trial if you never have used it.

During the winter months, says an exchange, some farmers will be selling eggs right along at 30 cents a dozen, while others will be wondering why their hens don't lay except when eggs are 10 cents a dozen. Intelligent care of poultry makes the difference. Keep the hens warm, give them a variety of food, and keep them clean, and you will have plenty of eggs.

The trash from the barn floor, particularly if consisting largely of clover leaves and clover seed, is excellent feed for poultry during the winter. If allowed the run of the barn, hens will busy themselves scratching and picking amongst it a good part of the time; but a better management is to exclude the fowls from the barn, and gather up the trash and carry it to the poultry quarters once a day. The hens pick up not only the seeds but a good many fragments of leaves, which furnish a part of their ration very conducive to their health. Whatever whole grain is given them may be thrown into this barn floor trash with advantage. The accumulation of leavings should be cleared out once a week. Hens eat a great deal of grass in summer, and something of like nature should be provided for them in winter.

My fowls are provided with clean perches, clean food, and pure water. Are yours? If not, they ought to be; and they will not be profitable until you give them better care. The fear of filth is the beginning of wisdom in the hen business.

After all the duck is coming to the front as a market fowl, they are right up to the turkey in price, and can be raised for one half the cost and trouble; don't be behind the times.

If you get up some morning and smell a "perfumed air" you may be almost sure there is a skunk under the barn or hen-house, and if you find a lot of your chicks with their heads off you may be positive of it. The best remedy is a wideawake boy with a shot gun or a good steel trap. Don't rest safe until you catch the "varmint."

Salt preserves eggs the best. By its use you could now be having eggs to sell at 40 cents per dozen. Bear it in mind next year.

Do you intend to exhibit your birds