

to the Brahma as a first-class fowl for general purposes, and your remarks in the last CHRONICLE confirm the opinions I have since formed of them. I invested in some Light Brahmas, but almost regret it, as I suppose the dark variety to be the best, at least if we may judge from the price the eggs of each variety sell at. You must be able to enlighten me on this *dark* subject, for I see by your advertisement to clubs you offer one dozen Light Brahma eggs for four subscribers, while you want ten subscribers for a dozen of the Dark eggs. Would you be good enough in the next CHRONICLE to give a little explanation as to the different values? There is a material difference between the two varieties of the Dark and Light Brahma. The former is a larger and finer-looking fowl than the latter, and in this country good specimens are much more difficult to be obtained. Although America first supplied England with the Brahma fowl which now reigns there almost supreme, yet, notwithstanding, the Dark variety has never been bred to that perfection here that it has in England, and we have to import from there nearly all the good specimens we have, hence the reason why the Dark fowls and their eggs are so much more costly than the Light. It is also much more difficult to breed to feather. The plumage of the hen in the Dark variety is very beautiful when bred to perfection, to do which requires greater skill and knowledge in mating than is necessary in the Light variety. As a fancy fowl, therefore, they are superior to the Light, and will always command a higher price. As to their laying qualities and general usefulness, we are not prepared to say that they are superior to the Light, and we hold that the latter is the best fowl for the farmer and general fancier who has not that time and attention to bestow on fowls that an amateur has.

THE WILD INDIAN GAME COCK.—A Correspondent requests us to state whether the Wild Indian Game Cock, such as is described in Bennett's Poultry Book, is now imported into this country, and, if so, who has the stock for sale. We are not able to afford our correspondent the information he requires. Indeed, we have grave doubts whether the "Wild Indian Game" described by Dr. Bennett is the really game fowl known to cockers. We rather think his "great Indian war hen" was none other than a "Malay"; and this opinion is strengthened by Mr. Stoddard's letter to the doctor, from which we make the following quotation: "The rooster, her mate, died on the passage out, which I very much regretted, as I believe there is nothing like him in this country. He stood as high as a large turkey, and would weigh

at least twelve pounds, his plumage being of a reddish cast, interspersed with spots of glossy green, with a very small comb, and no wattles, with a bill unlike any other fowl except the hen." A pretty "Malay" description, it must be admitted. Our correspondent will be able to procure Malays from some English breeders, but they are becoming scarce even there.

Advertisements.

MR. HENRY PICKLES, JUNIOR,
Kayfield House, Earby, Skipton, Yorkshire, England, the most successful exhibitor of Hamburgs in England in 1870, can now supply eggs from the following varieties, at \$3 per sitting of 15: Gold and Silver Spangled, Gold and Silver Pencilled and Black Hamburg; Buff Cochins, Dark Brahmas, Coloured Dorkings, Houdans, Silver Poles, Black Bantams, Aylesbury and Rouen Ducks.

The above will be carefully and securely packed, and carriage paid to Liverpool. A few first-class birds of all the above varieties always on hand for disposal. Mr. Pickles has won over 100 first prizes with his Silver Pencilled Hamburgs alone in 1870, including all the principal shows in England.

The Hamburgs are mated for breeding cockerels and pullets, Mooney cocks and hens for breeding pullets, Yorkshire cocks and hens for breeding cockerels for exhibition.

EGGS FOR HATCHING FROM
30 varieties fowls, including Ducks (4 kinds), Games, Bantams, Cochins, Brahmas, Leghorns, &c. &c. Circulars free. Address J. Y. BICKNELL, Westmoreland, Oneida Co, N. Y.

HENRY TOMLINSON'S BUFF
COCHINS have been awarded Prizes amounting to over £300 and numerous valuable Silver Cups at all the great shows in England. H. T. does not now exhibit; but birds sold from this yard have won many prizes and Silver Cups the last few months. A very fine lot of this year's chickens now ready to send out in well matched pens, very large, perfectly clear, delicate Buff, superior quality, now fit to show and win anywhere. Old birds of great merit. A few grand show birds.

A few Partridge and White Cochins, old or young—superb birds. Price from five to ten pounds per Trio (Cock and two hens) including coop and carriage to Liverpool. Selected eggs from each variety, prize stock, one guinea per setting.

HENRY TOMLINSON,

Mosely, Birmingham, England.

UNSURPASSED BUFF AND
CINNAMON COCHINS. HODGSON BROS.,
7 BOWLING GREEN, NEW YORK, have for sale a few choice Trios, Pairs, and some extra Cocks. They are adults of nearly two years old, and early chickens of last year. This stock is of the highest excellence, and admitted to be the best extant. Also a few very fine Light Brahmas. No circulars.
Address with stamp.

EGGS FOR HATCHING,
from my recent importations of fowls, from some of the best breeders in England. Buff, Partridge, and White Cochins, and Dark Brahmas, \$5 per dozen; Light Brahmas, \$2 per dozen; Aylesbury Ducks, \$3 per dozen; Rouen Ducks, \$4 per dozen. Orders booked now and filled in rotation, and must in all cases be accompanied by the cash.

JOHN FORSYTH,
Box 1135, Toronto P. O.