

doubt but that medals will be offered for collections of each breed (not varieties of each breed) and this would give every one satisfaction.

FROM THE ENGLISH *Fanciers' Gazette*

we notice that Mr. William Calway, Sharpness, shipped per Royal Mail Steamer *Parisian* last month, a pen of Houdans from the Blanchworth Poultry Farm to Mr. Howard, Alberta, N.W.T.

MR. C. E. STOCKWELL.

liked the prize winning Plymouth Rock hen so well that he bought from Mr. Pennett, that he concluded to take also the hen, second at the last Ontario Show. This of course was previous to Mr. Bennett's sale to Mr. Wagner.

WORLD'S FAIR.

The following paragraphs are from the American *Stock-keeper*. It seems exceedingly hard to get authentic information from any one connected with the show. Mr. Buchanan's letter to us appears to refute the idea of the appointment of the two gentlemen named as judges.

"News re the Poultry Show at the World's Fair comes piece meal and if some one does not hustle pretty soon the show will prove a fizzle. We understand two judges have already been engaged, Messrs. S. Butterfield and A. F. Stevens."

"The very important office of Superintendent seems to be still vacant. We hope the delay in selecting the person for this position will not be so long as in the dog show, which caused a postponement."

"There seems no good reason for such dilly-dallying, and if the World's Fair desire a creditable poultry exhibit it behooves them to bestir themselves at once."

WESTERN FAIR LONDON.

The management of the Western Fair feels confident that the poultry exhibit this year will surpass all former exhibitions partly on account of the larger number of poultry breeders that reside in the west and also from the fact that the Western Fair is selected as one of the places for choosing birds for the Columbian Exposition. Everyone who witnessed the exhibits in their poultry department last year spoke only in the highest terms of the excellence of the specimens and the attractiveness of the building. Mr. Allan Bogue who is the chairman of this department, understands most thoroughly what is required and the Association let him have pretty much his own way in matters of arrangement and decorations.

We are always pleased to hear of the success which attends the Western Fair. The Committee have added this year, sections for rose-comb Leghorns old and young and

in the Ornamental class, Magpies. There are still some standard varieties which are not entered in their prize lists which we trust will find a place before long. "Little and often" is a very good motto.

NEW BOOK ON BANTAMS.

"Bantams, how to breed and rear" is the name of a neat paper covered book of some eighty pages, issued from the office of the English *Fancier's Gazette* and compiled and written by that good fancier, Mr. L. C. Verrey. Such a work has not before existed, which has often surprised us, taking into consideration the great number of persons who breed Bantams, and should find a ready sale at its published price of one shilling (25 cents). While containing little matter startlingly new its contents are well put together and written in a style which cannot fail to prove of use to the novice and also to the older breeder. It is divided into five parts, 1st. Bantams, the introduction; 2nd. game Bantams; 3rd Bantams not game; 4th. variety Bantams, feathered legged and, 5th. general management, hatching and rearing, preparing for exhibition, technical terms, diseases, etc.

"INCUBATION AND REARING OF CHICKENS, ARTIFICIAL AND NATURAL,"

is the name of a neat cloth covered volume by Mr. W. Hay, Corrie, Arran, Scotland. We have not read a book of this nature for a long time which gave us so much pleasure, being thoroughly practical and full of sound sense. It takes the reader through the whole process of rearing from the setting of the egg to the final disposition of the chick and not alone by the natural method but also by the use of artificial means, incubators and brooders. The work can be had direct from Mr. Hay for fifty cents postpaid.

EXPORTATION OF TURKEYS.

In last issue we noticed the fact of Messrs. Abbott Bros. importing turkeys from Canada. The birds arrived at their destination in excellent condition, and from a letter from Messrs. Abbott to their agent Mr. John Nunn, we learn that they are the best Messrs. Abbott ever owned, the hen being particularly grand. A few days after arrival they were exhibited at the Royal Show, and both won first in their respective classes, beating all the best exhibitors. Mr. Bell has now shipped another pair, the cock having won first at the Industrial and Ontario and the hen third at same shows.