

can do to sweeten life, and how much nearer they bring the thoughts to all that is pure and good. I have known "Sky Larks" to be successfully kept in cages and sing well, but I never had one under my care.

I have cured a bad case of indigestion in a fowl the last month, a Leghorn, by the use of Radway's Ready Relief and milk,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a teaspoon in a small wine glass of milk twice per day. I fed very light food, mostly oatmeal porridge and milk, and bread and milk; fed the bird very sparingly, and allowed no water. It is now quite well; but I thought it would surely die. It has laid a few eggs this week. I mention it for the sake of possible benefit to others, it was the worst case I ever saw. I may mention it was brought on by over eating, it is a greedy bird.

**STANDARD REVISION.**

The meeting of the committee appointed by the Ontario Poultry Association on the revision of the *Standard* met pursuant to notice at London March 24th, the recommendations made were as follows: That the disqualifying weight of Light Brahmas be raised half a pound throughout. That disqualifying weights be placed on Langshans at one and a half pounds less than *Standard* weights. That disqualifying weight of Black Cochin hen be seven pounds. That in Golden Spangled Hamburgs two points be taken from face and condition, and two added to comb and one each to breast and body. That in Golden Pencilled Hamburgs two points be taken from condition and face and two added to comb and two to tail. That the same changes be made in Silver Spangled and Silver Pencilled as in Golden Pencilled. That in Black Hamburgs two points be taken from condition and one each from breast and body and two added to each comb and face. That in all Leghorns the two

points given to fluff be given to comb and that fluff be struck off entirely from the scale of points. That in Wyandottes the comb be oval in front wide at the centre tapering to a point behind (not a spike) and conforming to the shape of the head. Changes were also recommended in Polish, in all the varieties points being taken from weight and comb and added to crest and wings in W. C. B. and other varieties from points not so prominent and placed on crest and other points of greater importance. That in Golden and Silver Seabrights and Rose-Comb Black Bantams that the *Standard* weights be reduced two ounces also that the disqualifying weights of cock be reduced two ounces, that in the score in R. C. B. one point be taken from neck, one from back and two added to earlobes and wattles. The same changes throughout in Rose-Comb White. That in Japanese Bantams the *Standard* weight be reduced two ounces and the disqualifying weight of cocks be reduced two ounces.

That in all varieties in which no *Standard* weights are given the word size be used instead of weight.

**TORONTO BLACK SPANISH, ANDALUSIAN AND MINORCA CLUB.**

The regular meeting of the above Club was held on April 11th, the only business of importance transacted being the revision of the Rules.

Rule 3 was made to read:—

"The Club shall be under the direction and management of a Committee of four, the officers of the Club being ex officio members of the Committee."

4. "Members to be elected by a majority vote of the Club at a regular meeting, application to be made one month prior to meeting, and referred to Committee for report. Application to be accompanied with annual subscription, which will be refunded if application is rejected."

Several other changes were made of little importance, the principal one being Rule 12: "That this Club have power to expel or suspend for a certain time any member that may be found guilty of malpractice."

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.**

*Editor Review:*

If you will please answer through the REVIEW a few questions you may benefit others as well as greatly benefit me.

1st. How many hens and a cock would you advise me to keep in pens 4 x 4 feet and 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  feet high, i. e. one foot of slant for the roof?

2nd. How many hens should there be to one cock. Would three be enough?

3rd. Would it be best to build the pens separately and scatter them around, or make them all in a row?

4th. What is the "Standard Poultry Book;" I do not mean the S. of E., but one that gives all information?

By answering the above you will greatly benefit and oblige,

Yours respectfully,  
P. J. C. MARTIN,  
Toronto.

[1st. The pens you describe are too small for anything but bantams. Would not advise you to build any houses in which you cannot walk through every part with comfort, say six feet high at lowest part. Pens should be at least 5 x 10 feet, and even this is small.

2nd. This depends upon the variety. Asiatics, any number up to six or seven; small varieties, such as Leghorns and Hamburgs, any number up to ten or twelve.

3rd. Make all your pens facing south to catch the winter sun. Best build together with a passage or hallway along the back.

4th. The work you name is published at 25 cents; we do not know by whom. It contains many useful hints, but in many points is away behind the age and is full of inaccuracies.]