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## NOTES AND COMMENTS

### COUNTY FAIRS.

We very much regret that we can't afford space for prize lists of County and Agricultural fairs, and correspondents will easily see that these would fill the REVIEW pages to the exclusion of everything else.

MR. J. M. MACPHERSON, of Chatham, has left for England, on a purchasing expedition.

MR. THOS. HALL has disposed of his Plymouth Rocks and Game Bantams, and has gone in for Buff Cochins.

MR. THOS. HARDING, of Montreal, has gone into Pit Games exclusively, having sold his Polands.

### OUR ENGLISH PORTRAIT.

The *Stock-Keeper* from which our illustration is copied says:—The bird, as will be seen by reference to the illustration, has a fine long head, great length of neck and thighs, is very close in feather, has a beautiful laced breast and a clearly marked hackle. During the past season she has won prizes at the following shows, viz: First and cup at Kendal, first at Crystal Palace, first and cup Haslingden, first and cup at Aspatria, second at Southport, first at Bentham, first and cup at Bristol, first at Chorley and first and cup at Bridgewater. The above are the only

shows at which she was exhibited, and when at the Palace, we believe MR. FIRTLE was offered £35 for her, but declined that amount with thanks. She is a grand pullet in every sense of the word, and her owner, as can be imagined, is very proud of her.

MR. GEO. BAXTER, of W. BARBER & Co., Toronto, leaves for England, on November 14th.

### WE REGRET

That we overlooked the fine display made by the Native and Foreign bird store, Toronto, in our report of the Industrial. They had on exhibition in main building, Ribbon Finches, Zebra Finches, Whydas, three colored Nuns, African Spice birds, Java Sparrows. Love birds, Australian Shell Paroquets, Cuban, Maricabo, Blue headed Amazon, double yellow head, and Mexican single yellow headed Parrots, Cockatoos, a large collection of Scotch Fancy and Cinnamon Canaries, Mocking birds, English Trushes, Sky Larks, etc. Also a fine assortment of cages and appliances of all kinds. A feature of the display was that many of the delicate African Finches had been raised by the senior partner of the firm, Mr. GEO. HOPE, (whose name is well known to some of our old subscribers) in cages. They were awarded a silver medal and first prize.

### READ CAREFULLY

The prospectus of *Pigeons and Pets* which we send with this issue.

## POULTRY

### MORTIMER'S MONTHLY MORSELS.

What a hurly burly life is. Take things easy; be quiet; take good old Isaac's quaint advice, and sometimes "go a-angling." The mad rush after so-called pleasure undoubtedly shortens life; it breeds disappointment and discord.

Feed sunflower seeds occasionally to your fowls. They give a gloss to the plumage and are healthy.

The *Rural New Yorker* says that if you want to stop your Brahmas from laying feed them all they want. We have found that the egg production of this breed, more than any other, is lessened by over feeding. Feed them twice a day and give them no more than they will eat up clean before resting. If you can scatter some grains in straw or leaves and keep them at work so much the better. They will lay better and keep in better health.

To be certain of eggs in winter hens must be ten months old, well-fed and housed, and any breed will answer, although some breeds naturally lay better than others. Select the early hatched pullets and the early moulting hens. Old hens will not lay until well feathered.