

ing business must eventually find its own level, and it will always be found that *truth* is the best investment even in advertising. Again, when any advertiser lays claim to honors which do not belong to him, our columns are always open to the aggrieved party, whether an advertiser or not. More than this we cannot do; more than this cannot be reasonably expected of us. As a general rule it may be safely said that there is very little danger of injustice or injury to the fancy from this cause. No shrewd business man will make statements the falsehood of which is liable to be exposed at any moment, and those who adopt such tactics soon find that "the way of transgressors is hard."

We have in the past, and will in the future, endeavor to discourage the use in the REVIEW of any statements calculated to mislead, and we will not knowingly permit a single line to be used for the purpose of assisting in fraud. Yet we must respect the rights of advertisers, and, within the limits mentioned, allow them the fullest liberty. While there may be grounds for some complaints, we believe a liberal use of printer's ink by the grumblers themselves would prove a powerful sedative. Were all who breed poultry to extend to poultry journals the hearty support they deserve, the publishers' hands would be strengthened, and they would be enabled to improve their journals and work more effectually for the removal of evils, and the abolition of practices now existing, which are known to be a detriment to the poultry business.

"Will remit in a few days," was the response from the great majority of those to whom bills for advertising and subscriptions were sent out last month, but up to the present time only four have remitted. We greatly dislike to go to extreme measures with any of our patrons, but will have to place a large number of accounts into court for collection if not paid at once.

On account of unlooked for circumstances, the new Standard of Excellence will not be out till early Fall. Those having sent us their orders be supplied as early as possible. We will give notice when ready for distribution, and in the meantime, would prefer that no further orders be sent us.

The *Agents Herald*, published by L. Lum Smith, 912 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa., is doing a good work in showing up frauds of all kinds. Among those shown up in last issue is the Portable Electric Light Co., of Boston, who succeeded, on the strength of favorable notices from the Press, in getting space in the April No. of Review. We are beaten to the extent of the ad., and we hope

that will be the sum of the loss through it. The *Herald* also has opened war on the Louisiana State Lottery Co., and has undertaken to prove it a legalized fraud.

### Extracts from Correspondence.

My chicks are just growing right along; I never saw chicks grow so in all my life. I have sixty-two all told, and the most of them are showing black necks and wings. My buildings are just "what the Dr. ordered." If you saw me go over them and clean all up in twelve minutes you would put on a happy smile if any one afterwards advised tent coops and slatted runs. Hens nor chicks do not get a blink of sun from morning to night, unless the latter choose to run out, and they do. They will all take a grand hunt for an hour or so, then come and stuff and drink, and lay down for a while. The hens are all laying away yet.

Lefroy, June 8th, 1883. STANLEY SPILLETT.

I never had such a grand season selling eggs and fowls as this, since I gave you my advertisement. I have sold both eggs and fowls to Americans, and they all say they saw my advertisement in the Review. Eggs from my birds are hatching well this spring. There were only two of my many customers that I have heard from that did not get a fair hatch. I have about one hundred chicks at home, so I think I will be in good shape for the fall shows.

WM. McNEIL.

London, June 12th, 1883.

We see by a letter from Mr. Carson, in last number of Review that he blames the feeding of barley with causing sterility in fowls. Our experience goes to prove that he must look elsewhere for the cause. We have fed our cocks and hens largely on barley this winter, and have had very good success with the eggs. There were birds in most of them. We find most difficulty when they are breaking the shell, when they don't seem strong, but after they are a few days old they get on nicely.

T. & J. RYAN.

Mount Forest, June 11, 1883.

### Editor Review.

Will any of your subscribers, who are or have been breeders of Black Spanish, inform me the cause of watery blisters coming on the faces of the cocks? When these blisters first appear, on being broken a yellow matter is discharged, followed by a scab, after that a red spot.

At first I ascribed it either to impure blood or the quality of the food, but I now believe that neither of these is the cause, but that it is a disease. However, I hope some of the older breeders will