

white crested black which "Billy" confidently expects will "make Rome howl" this fall and in which we certainly agree with him. Hamburgs of all kinds, and some real beauties amongst them, also bantams, Seabrights, some grandly laced ones; black rose-comb, some of them well on and good in color, comb and lobe, Japanese, some almost full grown, with short bright yellow legs, fine tails, &c., and so on, with varieties too numerous to mention; every bird almost an exhibition specimen and in such condition.

Mr. McNeill now devotes his entire time to his fowls, and certainly they show in every way his watchful care and attention.

We then drove to the yards of

*Messrs. Thorpe & Scott,*

where we saw some very nice and well grown light Brahma chicks, particularly well feathered, a real good Langshan cockerel and a Black Spanish cockerel large and good in face and comb.

Their stock also includes some fine old birds in Spanish, a grand hen, very fine in comb and face, but badly in moult, a fine black Hamburg cock, but is off on comb, some fine light Brahmas, notably one old hen with fine legs, good hackle and comb; and a very nice cock.

*Mr. Geo. McCormack*

is comparatively young in the fancy, but has one of the nicest and neatest little poultry houses in the Dominion. His stock consists of white Wyandottes, some nice chicks, black Minorca chicks, fine in comb and lobe, and white Minorcas.

Mr. McCormack has also on order from Mr. A. C. Hawkins a pair of old white Wyandottes, both winners.

*Mr. Wm. Court*

has about eighty nice Wyandotte chicks, amongst which we noticed some which will make their mark, particularly one or two extra nice pullets, also some nice large light Brahma chicks of good quality.

His old birds are good, but of course are now sharing the fate of all old birds at this season of the year.

*Mr. A. Flawn*

has some very nice Partridge and Buff Cochins, chicks large and well grown, the pullets especially fine in color and feathering.

*Dr. Macarthur*

does not go very extensively into the business, but manages to generally have a few very good ones.

In this gentleman's yard we saw a few grand Wyandotte chicks, the most forward we have seen this season, Langshan chicks good, partridge Cochins and S. S. Hamburgs, among the latter a very fine cockerel and pullet.

*Mr. H. Tozer*

is not as greatly interested in chickens as formerly, but still has a few nice ones, amongst them some grand old black Hamburgs, not a great many chicks but good, both black and golden pencilled Hamburgs.

Leaving Mr. Tozer's, we drove to

*Mr. Wm. Moore's,*

who has an extensive stock of Wyandottes, brown and white Leghorns, and white Plymouth Rocks.

He had evidently laid himself out to have a few early ones for the fall shows, as we saw here the biggest Leghorn and P. Rock chick we have seen this season, including a fine, big, good colored P. Rock cockerel, three or four brown and white Leghorns of rare quality, and well on in plumage and size. Some of the pullets are now laying, one of which (a white one) at once caught our eye.

The old birds were all heavy in moult.

*Mr. Geo. Bedgood*

had about thirty nice chicks, consisting of brown Leghorns and Wyandottes.

Our time having about expired, we adjourned to the house of our host,

*Mr. Richard Oke,*

who is well and favorably known as a prominent breeder of the lighter varieties.

Mr. Oke's poultry building is exceedingly neat, and kept scrupulously clean.

He purposes building a twenty foot extension to it this fall to accommodate his fast increasing stock.

He is most favorably situated in respect to runs, having almost unlimited grass, interspersed with shade and fruit trees, and in season quite a few acres of stubble. The river runs through on one side of his farm, providing a never failing supply of living water. His stock of course is "away up" and the old fowls appeared to us to be much further advanced in moult, than most we had seen, the Japanese Bantams and some of the Hamburgs looking particularly nice for this time of the year. The chicks, of which he has in or about one hundred, are an especially pleasing lot of great promise, and not a sick or delicate one in the lot. The black Hamburg chicks are fine and fairly well grown, silver and golden spangled do. are beautiful in color and spangling and withal with good lobes. His latest venture has taken the shape of Creve-Coeurs, of which we saw about a dozen nice chicks of good size and fine in crest, comb and color. We also saw several nice Minorca chicks, not to say very large, but some of great promise.

In Bantams, we noticed a number of both silver and golden Seabrights, which for color and markings are hard to excel, with good legs and beaks, the Japanese are also good, small, with good legs and beaks, also about twenty-five black rose-comb of fine form, good in color and lobe, and small for their age.

Mr. Oke has lately invested in some Pekin chicks which we have no doubt will take some good ones to beat them. His Wyandottes are young but of good color and no doubt will "get there" in time,

There are several other fanciers in and about London, which we should have liked to have visited, but our limited time would not permit of so doing. Among others we may mention

*Mr. A. W. Porte,*

President of the Western Fair Board, whose stock consists mainly of light