

## PROVINCIAL AND STATE SHOWS, 1857.

Alabama, at Montgomery .....	Oct.	27, 28, 29, 30.
Connecticut, at Bridgeport .....	Oct.	13, 14, 15, 16.
Canada East, at Montreal.....	Sept.	16, 17, 18.
Canada West, at Brantford.....	Sept.	29, 30, & Oct. 1, 2.
East Tennessee, at Knoxville.....	Oct.	20, 21, 22, 23.
Illinois, at Peoria .....	Sept.	21, 22, 23, 24.
Indiana, at Indianapolis.....	Oct. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.	
Iowa, Muscatine .....	Oct.	6, 7, 8, 9.
Kentucky, at Henderson .....	Oct.	12, 13, 14, 15, 16.
Maine, at Bangor.....	Sept.	29, 30, & Oct. 1.
Maryland, at Baltimore .....	Oct.	21, 22, 23, 24, 25.
Massachusetts, at Boston .....	Oct.	21, 22, 23, 24.
Michigan, at Detroit.....		
New-Hampshire, at Concord .....	Oct.	7, 8, 9.
New-Jersey, at New-Brunswick .....	Sept. 29, 30, & Oct. 1, 2.	
New-York, at Buffalo .....	Oct.	6, 7, 8, 9.
Ohio, at Cincinnati.....	Sept.	15, 16, 17, 18.
Pennsylvania.....	Sept. 29, 30, & Oct. 1, 2.	
Tennessee, at Nashville.....	Oct. 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.	
United States Agricultural Society, at Louisville, Ken.....	Sept. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.	
Vermont, at Montpelier.....	Sept. 30, & Oct. 1, 2.	
Virginia .....	Oct.	28, 29, 30, 31.
West Tennessee, at Jackson .....	Oct.	27, 28, 29, 30.
Wisconsin, at Jonesville .....	Sept. 29, 30, & Oct. 1, 2.	
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Montreal Horticultural Society.....	Sept.	16, 17, 18.

## VERMIN ON POULTRY.

Poultry sometimes suffer exceedingly by vermin or lice, which irritate and render them uncomfortable. We have found that blowing together smoke among their feathers will kill them. Where hens have a chance to dig into a bed of ashes, or lime and ashes, and throw the dust up among their feathers, they will keep themselves pretty free from vermin. The *Michigan Farmer* quotes the following from a foreign Journal. We do not know what is exactly meant by the substance which is there recommended as "Black Sulphur." It is probably some of the sulphurets, perhaps it is sulphuret of antimony, or crude antimony powdered. This is a black or dark color, and contains a good proportion of sulphur. The paragraph alluded to reads thus:—

John Douglas, a regular, poultry breeder, and who sometimes has 2000 head under his charge, writes to the *Agricultural Gazette*, that where poultry is kept somewhat confined they are apt to get infested with lice. This is particularly the case with setting hens. He recommends that with the sand and lime in the dust corner where the poultry will roll, there should be mixed half a pound of black sulphur. This will not only keep the fowls free from parasites, but will also give their plumage a fine, glossy, healthy appearance. When fowls are infested badly, Mr. Douglas first damps the skin under the feathers, and then dusts on the Black Sulphur. The insects will disappear in about twenty-four hours. Mr. Douglas once had charge of an Ostrich, which was pining from the effects of lice with which he was infested. The feathers next the skin were damped and the black sulphur applied. The lice were found dead the next day, and the Ostrich recovered rapidly.

**BUTTERNUT PIE.**—Put 1 quart of milk, with the rind of 1 lemon. When it has flavored the milk strain it; have the meats of 8 butternuts mashed fine and mixed smoothly with a little milk; stir into the boiled milk, set it where it will boil; sweeten to the taste; let it 4 minutes, take from the fire and bake directly or the crust will not be good.

**GOOSEBERRY CAKE.**—Stew 1 quart of gooseberries in 2 quarts of water, when soft add lemon, sugar to the taste, butter the size of a hen's egg. Have ready good buttermilk biscuit, baked in flat tins. Open them, turn the sauce upon the lower half, place the other above, as in jelly cake. Serve up hot.