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## NOTES AND COMMENTS

**MR.** C. J. DANIELS, Toronto, recently sent a pen of white Indian Games to the United States. and this is the letter he received on receipt from the buyer :

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Feb. 17, 1894:

C. J. DANIELS—Dear Sir,—The white Indian Games arrived this morning in fine order. I am more than pleased with them. I wish I had all men like you to deal with. I would have more money in my pocket to-day. I thank you for your prompt dealing. Whenever you have any good stock to sell let me know. I shall be pleased to do more business with you. I remain, yours truly,

COL. JOSEPH LEFFEL.

CAN EGGS BE SHIPPED A DISTANCE AND THEN HATCH ? is a question we are often asked at this season of the year. If properly packed, we have no hesitation in saying that distance, even a transatlantic voyage, is no deterrent. Take one case in point, Mr. C W. Eckardt sent last year a setting of Plymouth Rock eggs to Victoria, B. C., and from the thirteen eggs no less than ten chicks were hatched. Fresh eggs from strong, healthy stock may safely be shipped any distance, and a fair measure of success follow.

### BLACK SPANISH.

We heartily endorse the following clippings from the *Scottish Fancier*. The club referred to is the Scottish Black Spanish Club. Plucking, powdering and trimming of faces in this variety is carried to excess : "We also notice that the practice of powdering the lobes and faces of exhibits was discussed, when it was agreed that powdering was quite allowable, but painting was to be condemned with a firm

hand. The club's dictum will, we fear, not be endorsed by our best judges, and therefore the resolution to allow powdering to pass has no weight beyond their own club. Powdering is just a mild form of faking, and ought to be put down at once. It may be said in justification of this practice that it is required to keep the faces and lobes in proper condition ; that we are not going to dispute, but that is no reason why they should appear in a show pen powdered. As well say that a wire frame was required to hold the comb straight—but would anyone show a bird with a wire on ?

Judges are quite lenient enough already, and for clubs to dictate what is to be allowed and what is not is going a bit too far. Club men of most breeds are the most rabid fakers we know, and the more principled exhibitor has to be protected from this form of legalized fraud. We say, Judges, do your duty without fear or favor, and disqualify all artificially improved specimens—amongst which we class Spanish with powdered faces."

### A SIMPLE TONIC.

The following recipe from the same journal will be read with interest : We do not believe in dosing hens with spices, cayenne pepper, or tonics to make them lay, believing that such given indiscriminately do much harm ; but a simple tonic given twice or thrice a week helps the egg basket wonderfully. Here is one we use ourselves. It is cheap and reliable :

Cassia bark.....	1 ½ ounce
Ginger.....	2 "
Aniseed.....	½ "
Carbonate of iron.....	2 "
Gentian.....	½ "
Pimento.....	1 "

Powder and mix thoroughly together. Dose : A teaspoonful to every half dozen hens twice or thrice a week amongst their morning food.