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NOTES AND COMMENTS

A CONSIDERABLE change will be noticed in the make-up of this month's Review, necessitated by the greatly increased business we are now getting. The pages may look a little smaller, but this has been caused by the reduction in the margin alone to permit of sixteen page forms being printed instead of half that number as formerly.

The body type instead of being set by hand is now cast in lines on a type casting machine, this saving valuable time and giving better and more satisfactory results. We look for a particularly busy season during the next six months, and are now prepared for it. We want every reader's assistance. This paper is yours, help it.

Mr. Butterfield is loud in his praise of Sherbrooke Show and its management, and considers it a model for others to copy. About 1,500 birds were exhibited, excellent in quality. No entries are taken after advertised date.

At Ottawa Mr. Ulley informed us that at the recent Quebec show about 1,000 birds were on exhibi-

tion. Mr. Ulley acted as superintendent; Mr. Butterfield judged. The Governor-General, Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier were interested visitors to the poultry house, and stayed a considerable time. Many sales were made. The strongest classes were light Brahmas, barred Rocks, white Wyandottes and game. Silver and golden Wyandottes were fair, Hamburgs, Poland and Bantams moderate.

We were sorry to see at Toronto that Mr. Oke was still suffering from the effects of a lingering illness. The genial "Dick," we trust, will soon be quite himself again.

At Toronto Mr. Rice sold four white Leghorns to go to Sacramento, Cal., and Mr. Bennett disposed of nearly all the barred Rocks he had on view.

Dr. Hutton was able to dispose of all his light Brahmas, and there were numerous other sales, which we failed to get.

The show committee of the Toronto Poultry Show, to be held December 18 to 22, 1899, to whom has been entrusted the running of Toronto's next winter show have engaged the old Walker building on King street, opposite Victoria

street, and this will give ample room to display the birds to the best possible advantage. They have decided to charge no membership fee, an innovation for Canadian shows, as they feel that this fee often deters many from showing.

Another new idea is adopting a novice class for the majority of the varieties, thus giving the beginner an opportunity to win his spurs, and not break his heart, as is often done, by his competing against the old timers, the word "novice" being applied to both the exhibitor and the bird, but the restriction will only be on a certain class of shows.

The awarding of the prizes will be by selecting by comparison six of the best birds in each section where the entries number twelve or over, and then the judge scores these six, the score card being the deciding factor in the awards. In the smaller classes all the birds will be scored. Everything points to a most successful show.

Mr. Bonnick has disposed of his entire stock of buff Rocks, Mr. Bedford being the purchaser.

While at Ottawa we took the opportunity of visiting Mr. Gilbert's department on the Dominion Experimental Farm, where we