

PIGEONS AND PETS,

Conducted by E. F. Doty, 47 Wellington Place Toronto, to whom all queries and communications concerning this department should be addressed.

E respectfully invite correspondence of an interesting character from all localities, either The editor local or otherwise. of a live-stock paper of whatever description should not be wholly relied upon to produce at every issue of his journal, reading matter of an interesting character sufficient to fill up the space at his disposal. The subscribers and those who have an interest atheart in live-stock should endeavor to make the department interesting, by contributing from time to time articles which are original. Come, now, in a few days we will have the New Year upon us and let us try and make the pigeon department of THE POULTRY WEEKLY a lively and interesting feature. You are one of those who can help us if you will.

Our continued article on the Carrier will appear in our next owing to the haste in which this issue was gotten up. We will give as far as our experience permits, rules for mating Carriers also several hints on rearing and caring for both and young.

Any person who does not agree with us in any way regarding the above article is at liberty to dictate to us if he has good grounds for doing so.

We paid a visit to the lofts and rabbitry of Mr. Wm. Fox a short time ago and found things progressing favorably. He has the largest and finest collection of pigeons, rabbits, cavies, fancy rats, etc., in Toronto at least. To begin to mention each and everyon

would fill volumes but suffice to say that he has almost every variety in pigeons rabbits and other pet stock and that he can always hold his own at the exhibitions. We may if circumstances permit, pay visits to the leading fanciers of this locality, and give in these columns as interesting a report of our visit as we are capable of.

THE CHICHER'S SOLILIOUS.—"Turnback, turn backward, oh time in your flight, make me an egg again, smooth, clean and white; I'm homesick and lonely, and life's but'a dream, I'm a poor chicken, born in a hatching machane; compelled in this cold world to roam—no mother to shelter, no place to call home—no mother to teach me to scratch or to cluck; I can hardly tell whether I'm chicken or duck."

There is a sprouting poet in Ingersoll who thus sings of the hen:

And in Ontario the hen
Is worthy of the poet's pen,
For she doth well deserve the praise
Bestowed on her for her fine lays

COMING SHOWS.

Poultry Association of Ontario, St. Catharines, Ont., January 7, 8, 9 and 10, 1890. R. Hamill, Secretary, J. C. Rykert. M. P. President.

Eureka Poultry Association Chatham Jan. 20 to 23rd, S. Butterfield judge, C. M. Baskerville, secretary, Chatham.

Milton, December 30 and 31, 1889, and Jan 1, 1890. Judges, Bicknell and Smel. John Dewar, secretary.

Bowmanville, December 31st, 1889, Jan 1, 2, 3, 1890. S. Butterfield, judge. J. M. Hern, Secretary.

OHIO.

Central Ohio, at Mt. Gilead, Ohio, January 7th to 11, 1890. J. Y. Bickdell, Judge, W F. Bruce, Secretary.

Cleveland, January 14th to 19th, 4890. C. C. Schellentrager, Sec., Glenville.

Fayette Association, at Washington C. H., January 14th to 10th, 1890. J. B. Collier, Sec. Union, at Cardington, Dec. 17 to 21, 1889, G. S. Singer, Secretary.

Poultrymen should note the fact that the JOURN-AL is issued weekly and that it visits the homes, and the advertisements catch the eye four times a soften as the monthlies, at no higher scale of charges. The circulation is rapidly increasing.

The attention of all our readers is called to the unique and unparallelled offer which we make on page 928. Please go right to work, and see that each one of you, does your own share,—our tist will than be double.