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POULTRY AND PROVINCIAL SHOWS.

At the late Provincial Exhibition held in this city, the coop arrangement made for the exhibition of poultry was, on the whole, as satisfactory and complete as could well be expected. separate detached building was erected expressly for their use, coops were constructed on the plan adopted by the Ontario Poultry Association, at their shows, in which to place the birds for exhibition. The entrance gates to the

building were fastened at night, and so far, every precaution for the safety and comfort of the specimens on exhibition was taken. But having said this, we have said all that the most ardent admirer of the Agricultural Association could expect at our hands. In every other respect, confusion, mismanagement, and ignorance of poultry exhibitions reigned supreme. Here would be found in the upper or smaller tier of pens an unwieldy-looking Brahma and Cochin, and there would be seen in the lower or larger tier a diminutive Bantam and sprightly little Hamburgh, and so on, throughout the whole range of exhibition coops, offering the strangest and most laughable contrast one could well imagine. Nor was this unsightly arrangement of specimens occasioned by some of the intending exhibitors not having sent their birds, as some persons feign would have us believe, but to a thorough want of knowledge on the part of the person, whoever he was, that arranged the pens for the different classes of fowls. This is quite evident from the fact that each exhibitor was. prior to the sending of his birds to the show, furnished with a ticket having on it the number of the coop in which his birds were to be penned.

Nor was this the only objectionable feature in the management. Not a single tin, or article of any kind, was supplied, out of which the poor half-starved