

It will be seen from this that the Company are offering a very liberal prize list for the first exhibition, and it only remains for the fanciers east and west to give it a good send-off by having as many of their birds on exhibition as possible, to induce the directors to do even better things in future.

THE JUDGES.

The services of Mr. Sharp Butterfield, the well-known International Judge, have been secured. This announcement alone should bring birds together from far and near. Mr. I. B. Johnson of Toronto, will handle the pigeons, and as this is the first time he has judged in Montreal, a large number of the pigeon men, to whom he is well known, will be glad to have their birds pass through his hands.

SUPERINTENDENT AND BUILDING.

To make the show a thorough success, Mr. G. C. Philpott, Past President of the Montreal Society, has kindly consented to act as Superintendent. To many fanciers who have to send their birds away from home without an attendant, their first desire is to know if their birds will be properly looked after and cared for while they are away. No one is more competent for this business than Mr. Philpott, whose knowledge has been utilized for years in our winter shows.

The poultry buildings are being enlarged, painted and thoroughly ventilated, with plenty of room for visitors as well as birds.

THE ENTRIES

will close on the first of September, and all entries must be in the hands of the Secretary, S. C. Stevenson, Esq., St. Gabriel Street, Montreal, on that day without fail, as no extension of

time will be allowed on any conditions whatever. The birds will be received in the Exhibition Grounds on Saturday, the 19th of September, thus enabling exhibitors to send them direct from the Industrial. The railway and express companies have agreed to return all birds free.

As this will be the best opportunity that fanciers in Eastern Ontario and the Province of Quebec will have of exhibiting their birds this fall, it is hoped that there will be a large, generous response to the invitation of the Montreal Exposition Company. We trust that many fanciers from all parts of Ontario will join with the fanciers of this Province in making this part of the Exposition one of the most attractive features.

MR. F. GREEN, INNERKIP,

writes regarding the nest we mentioned a short time ago: "As you were kind enough to take an interest in my plan for hens nests, I write to give you the result of my test. I made a temporary wooden nest with perforated zinc bottom and procured a sitting hen not having one of my own at the time, and a careful lady to set the hen which was procured from a neighbour. The box nest was placed in a separate house under lock and key, water put in a pan under it and enclosed with a wooden door. I had a newspaper laid on the zinc to prevent earth falling into the water, then laid 1½ inch turf on the paper and a little cut grass sprinkled over with straw. Fifteen eggs were put under the hen, but, she did not at first take to sitting. The old lady in care tells me she used kindness, talked away to the hen some time and stroked her gently, she thus succeeded in getting her to adopt the new nest and she sat well the remainder of the time hatching every egg but one, which very likely

was a stale egg and the shell hardened by exposure. There was a chick in it full grown, but the shell was too hard. I went to see the chickens and they were exceedingly strong and healthy and running about the house the second day after hatching. I hope to get another hen to set on duck eggs to give the box a further trial. The box would be better if made of galvanized iron if it were only to prevent vermin (lice) from attacking the hens and chicks." It may interest Mr. Green to know that our English contemporary *Fowls* copied the former paragraph we gave regarding this nest.

MR. D. A. RADCLIFFE, AURORA,

was in Toronto on June 27th, when we had the pleasure of a talk with him. Mr. Radcliffe had a very successful season, and has some thirty buff Cochins, bred from Peer's prize strain which have come along wonderfully well. He has also a very nice lot of Langshans.

ANOTHER VISITOR

during the month was Mr. F. Donald, Carleton Place, who is Collector of Customs there. Mr. Donald devotes his energies to brown Leghorns entirely, and this season has some seventy-five chicks. Last month we noticed an extraordinary hatch from a sitting of eggs sent to Vancouver, B.C., by Mr. Donald, and asked him to favor us with his method of feeding, &c. He has kindly complied and now writes us:—

Dear Sir,—

I notice in last REVIEW, account of hatching of eggs sent by me to Vancouver, B. C. Thanks for same. First, eggs were all newly laid, rolled carefully in paper, packed in oat chaff in a small basket and carried by hand to Express Office, instructed agent Dom. Ex. Co. to handle carefully,