

officers: President, August D. Arnold, Dillsburg, Penn.; vice president, L. D. Atwater, Washington, N.J.; honorary vice presidents, A. Armstrong, Petaluma, Cal., J. E. Davis, Washington, N.J., G. W. Randolph, Palmyra, N.Y., L. H. Bolby, Washington, N.J., and H. W. Van Mater, Petaluma, Cal.; secretary and treasurer, A. W. Gardiner, Springfield, Mass.; executive committee, R. G. Buffington, Fall River, Mass.; E. P. Shepherd, Croton Falls, N.Y., and G. W. Randolph, Palmyra, N.Y.

At the meeting of the American Wyandotte Club President James Forsyth congratulated the members on the work done during the year. Arrangements were made for the award of special prizes for the best specimens in the Wyandotte classes. These applicants were admitted to membership: F. A. Houdlett, Boston; Frank Randall, Johnstown, N.Y.; Z. C. Bowen, Waterbury, Conn.; J. F. Scholz, Erie, Penn.; D. Myers, Bemerville, N.J.; J. B. Felt, Somerville, N.J.; M. D. Hinds, Port Dickinson, N.Y.; J. H. Duke, Troy, N.J.; Haycock & Kent, Kingston, Canada, and W. B. Barton, Dalton, Mass. The special premiums offered by the club aggregate \$200.

The National Bantam Club elected these officers: President, C. E. Rockenstyre, Albany, N.Y.; treasurer, A. A. Parker, Jersey City; secretary, E. Latham, Flatbush, L.I.; vice-presidents, T. W. Elsworth, Red Bank, N.J.; W. J. Koepplen and W. Hayward, Rutherford, N.J.; Emil Gampost, Yonkers, N.Y.; George Carson, Plymouth, Penn.; F. B. Zimmer, Gloversville, N.Y., and R. H. Romeyer, Middle Village, L.I.

The American Leghorn Club was organized with a strong membership. The following officers were elected: President, C. E. Howell, Elmira, N.Y., vice-presidents, Reuben Ropes, Salem, Mass.; W. J. Andrews, Hackensack, N.J.; W. E. Bright, Malden, Mass., and G. W. Osterhout, David City, Neb. James Forsyth of Owego, N.Y., was elected chairman of the executive committee.—*The Fanciers' Review*.

A POULTRY COMMISSIONER FOR CANADA.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Toronto Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock Association, held on the evening of Thursday, February 8th, 1894, the following motions were carried unanimously:

Moved by Thos. A. Duff, seconded by C. W. Wood, that in the opinion of the Toronto Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock Association, it is desirable that a Poultry Commissioner for Canada should be appointed by the Dominion Government.

No country in the world is better adapted to the production of eggs and market poultry than this, and the revenue therefrom is very large, the exports alone being, according to the Trade and Navigation Report, for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1890, the sum of \$1,907,118; this, too, apart from the immense quantity consumed at home.

This Association, therefore, feels that it would be in the interests of the Dominion that such a Commissioner should be appointed who would devote his whole time and attention to the encouragement of this important branch of the products of our country. An experienced man should be obtained and means placed at his disposal whereby he might experiment and obtain useful and practical information for the guidance of the farmers and country at large.

He should meet the farmers at every possible point, such as Institute Meetings, County and Township Fairs. Blue books containing elaborate reports may be sent out in great numbers but they are read by comparatively few.

He should be able to tell them which breeds of fowl lay the most and largest eggs. He should instruct them how to house and treat such breeds so as to obtain the greatest possible number of such eggs.

He should tell them which breeds make the best market chickens in the shortest time.

He should instruct the farmers in the most approved method of dressing their poultry for market; whether it is best or not to use artificial incubation in producing such chickens.

He should give exhibitions of dressed poultry at different points, so that the farmers, their wives and daughters may take lessons.

He should be able to give instruction as to the best method of packing poultry so as to arrive at their destination in the very best condition.

He should make experimental shipments of choice eggs and poultry so as to ascertain the highest price attainable for a superior article.

In fact, he could work up, throughout the Dominion, a large and paying branch of agriculture hitherto neglected by the farmers.

We are sure we have only to draw the attention of the Minister of Agriculture to the vast amount of money to be made by the country in the development of the poultry interests of their farms, by the farmers, to have our wishes acceded to.

Moved by Thomas A. Duff, seconded by John Gray, that in view of the rumor that the Ontario Government intend to open a Poultry Department in connection with the Experimental Farm at Guelph, this Association respectfully recommends to the Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, in case such a department should be opened, Mr. L. G. Jarvis of London, for the position of Manager thereof.