

The committee, moreover, had decided that birds could be entered in two different classes, viz., a single entry of 6 francs, or a double one of 14 francs; in this manner 3630 were marked for prizes derived from the single entry, and only 2142 for the two entries of 6 francs and 8 francs respectively.

This wise determination procured a clear gain of 1488 additional competitors in the race.

The arrival of the first bird was telegraphed from Pecq, near Tournai, at 3.5, and the first Brussels bird was produced at 4.42.

By the time the match was over upwards of 687 telegrams had been received, in addition to 84 birds not telegraphed, but forwarded by runners to the club.

Your readers can readily understand that the correct classification of so many birds, according to the adopted rule of velocity proper, is a most arduous task, and upon inquiry, I find that the work is not yet completed. I have, nevertheless, been able to obtain the following information, which I hasten to forward, so as to be in time for your approaching publication of Saturday next.

The winner of the first prize will prove to be the Brussels bird whose arrival was registered at 4.42, and the 363rd, or last prize, will be carried at latest by 6.11.

The whole match will consequently have lasted barely one hour and a half.

Thus has ended the Great National Pigeon Race for 1880, concluding, as it does, with the fiftieth anniversary of Belgian Independance. C. H. MILLIS.
—*London Field*.

THE CONTINENTAL RACE.—The English fanciers have, as a whole, been very unsuccessful in their flights this season. Of the race from Rheims, France, an average distance of about 260 miles from the homes of the birds competing, Mr. John Logan writes to the *Fanciers' Chronicle* as follows:—"Out of the thirty-six birds that were sent to Rheims fifteen were hens. Of these fifteen hens eight laid in the baskets between Saturday night and Monday morning, so that nearly one-fourth of the birds that went to Rheims were by bad management totally incapacitated from competing with success. Our luck with the weather has been bad, and some of us are inclined to give the 'pot-hunter' what seems to me rather more than his fair share of blame, but at Rheims, at any rate, some of the competitors have no one but themselves to blame." One gentleman describes the weather as "thick as p a-soup."

—Should the weather be favorable a few of the Strathroy Homing Antwerps will be liberated at the exhibition grounds some morning during the show now being held at Toronto.

Annual Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of O. P. A. for the Year 1880.

Ontario Poultry Association in account with Geo. Murton, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

To cash Entry Fees	\$565 70
" " Specials,	41 50
" " Receipts at door,	79 91
" " Commissions on sales,	8 15
" " Government grant,	700 00
" " Members' subscriptions,	121 00
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	\$1516 26

DISBURSEMENTS.

By cash amount due Treasurer last audit, \$	36 73
" for wages,	50 00
" " Wood,	16 00
" " Caretakers,	48 00
" " R. McKenzie, in office,	5 00
" " Refreshments for Judges,	6 84
" " Teaming,	7 00
" " Entry Books,	5 00
" " Feed, &c.,	16 80
" " Printing account,	71 50
" " Posting bills,	2 50
" " J. M. Bond, account,	1 82
" " J. Ogg, account,	8 00
" " Geo. Feek, gas-fitting,	2 00
" " Wm. Sunley, putting up stoves	13 50
" " T. Fenwick, loan of stove	2 00
" " A. McBean & Co., account	1 20
" " H. Murton, oat hulls,	1 50
" " J. McClelland, expenses to Directors' meeting,	6 50
" " Geo. Murton, Secy. salary,	100 00
" " Petty cash ac. postage, &c.,	12 95
" " Prizes account,	933 50
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	\$1347 99
By cash balance, cash on hand	168 27
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	\$1516 26

Abstract Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Ontario Poultry Association, with the Auditor's Report for the year 1880.

ABSTRACT STATEMENT.

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To cash Receipts per Statement,	\$1516 26
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By cash expenses account,	401 54
" petty cash,	12 95
" prize account,	933 50
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	\$1347 99
By cash balance on hand.	168 27
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	\$1516 26

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We, the undersigned, have examined the various accounts initialed by us, and find them correct, showing a balance of \$168.27 to the credit of the Ontario Poultry Association.

Signed, E. MORRIS, } Auditors.
CHAS. DAVIDSON. }

Guelph, Aug. 18th, 1880.