

*Standard* is fully as good as 97½ under old *Standard*, so according to this, Game breeders must not kick too hard if their birds come home with score cards 2½ points less than they scored last year, it will probably take two seasons anyway for Game breeders to get fully reconciled to new *Standard*.

LETTER FROM A VISITOR.

The birds were a fair lot in most classes, and in others very few specimens. The Polish, Houdans and Andalusians were conspicuous by their absence. Judge Bicknell handled the birds in his old time manner and was not afraid to cut, although he has given good satisfaction to all, this is his first visit there. The officers and members of the Association did all in their power to make everything run smoothly, and the genial Secretaries, Mr. McLaren and his son, worked like beavers day and night, and a most commendable thing was the quickness with which prize cards were issued after the judge had gone through a class. There were very few outsiders there in person, the only ones we saw being Mrs. Peter, Angus; Mr. Jos. Dawson, Brampton; Messrs. E. J. Otter and Chas. R. Bache, Toronto.

Light Brahmas were out in full force and a grand lot, all scoring high, which is not usual in these birds. 1st cock grand bird, 2nd not far away; 1st hen and 1st pullet good, 2nd hen and 2nd pullet fine, also 1st and 2nd breeding pens. Dark Brahmas better than usual, especially in young class. 1st cockerel a beauty, good shape and well feathered leg and toes, off in comb, 2nd not far away, a very large bird, 1st and 2nd pullets extra good and well pencilled, nice steel gray.

Buff Cochins, no old shown, and only fair in young, off in color. Partridge, 1 pair, good stationed, but off in color of pencilling.

Langshans, black, a select lot and

scoring high, all in good trim, fine plumage and well stationed, cards well placed.

Dorkings, 1 pair, very nice birds.

Game, B. R., a large lot and close running for 1st and 2nd places. Pyle very few.

Hamburgs a good lot, 1st cock a fine bird in black; 2nd off in comb, 1st hen and 2nd, 1st and 2nd pullets, all well up, having fine plumage, good shape and combs. One pair white Hamburgs shown, a very fine pair, but cock was cut for white legs, hen good, Hamburg shape. Hamburgs, spangled and pencilled, are off in pencilling and spangling, but otherwise nice birds.

Leghorns a very good lot in white S. C. and R. C., brown S. and R. C., and cards placed right; in black S. C., 1st and 2nd, hen good but off in color of legs; 1st cockerel very dark, in fact almost black, 2nd cockerel better and should have had 1st, very few had the nice yellow legs *Standard* calls for, but why should a black fowl have yellow legs?

Spanish a small lot and only fair.

Javas, black, a good lot, winner having won many times.

Plymouth Rocks, 3 pairs, 1st cockerel a good one, and others well up. White Rocks, 1st pair good, 2nd fair.

Wyandottes, S. L., a fair showing, but all off in the pencilling.

Black Minorcas a good lot all through, 1st pullet scored 98 and was a beauty, this bird sold at a good price to Mr. Bicknell. This was the highest scoring bird shown.

Bantams, black reds, two pair shown, 1st pair very nice. Bantams any other variety, consisted of Pek. <sup>black</sup> Africans, golden and silver Sebrights. All proud little pets, cards placed right.

Turkeys, Ducks and Geese, not a very large class but some very choice specimens.

LIST OF EXHIBITORS.

Jas Stewart and Wm Whitelaw, Meaford;

H Grier, Jno Rutherford, Louis Davie, Ralph Davis, J R Todd, Wm Manders, Geo S Souter, Harry Wright, Jno Angel, J McLaughlan, G. Morgan, Jas Hall, Wm Lloyd, Jno Chisholm, H M Charlesworth, J C Benner, Jas Penny, R B. Smith, Wm Fleming, E J Neving, Walter Adair and J C Atkinson, Owen Sound; Geo Carley, Barrie; W C G Peter and Thos. Barret, Angus; Chas R Bache, C A McKinnon, E J Otter and Wm Arthurs, Toronto; Geo Dunn and H H Wallace, Woodstock; Wm Cole, J Dawson and W G Jessop, Brampton; Major Salt, Parkdale; S & P Jackman, Bowmanville; C Hammerschmidt, Buffalo.

LIST OF PRIZES.

BRAHMAS—Light—Cock 1st 91½ Salt, 2nd 90½ Penny; hen 1st 92 Penny, 2nd 92 Penny; cockerel 1st 90½ Penny, 2nd 90 Penny; pullet 1st 94½ Penny, 2nd 93 Penny; breeding pen 188½ 1st Penny, 2nd Salt. Dark—Cock 2nd 89½ Bache; hen 1st 91½ do, 2nd 90½, McLaren; cockerel 1st 93, 2nd 90½, McLaren; pullet 1st 90½, 2nd 90½, McLaren; breeding pen 1st 183½ McLaren.

COCHINS—Buff—Cockerel 1st 90 Charlesworth; pullet 1st 93, 2nd 88½, Charlesworth Partridge—Hen 2nd 87½ McKinnon.

LANGSHANS—Cock 1st 95 Wright; hen 2nd 93½ (tie) Wright and Barret, 1st 96 Wright; cockerel 1st 94½ Arthurs, 2nd 91½ Barret; pullet 1st 96½ Wright, 2nd 95 (tie) Wright and Arthurs; breeding pen 1st 190 5/6 Wright, 2nd 180 5/6 Arthurs.

GAME—B B R—Cock 1st 91½ Fleming, 2nd 91 (tie) Fleming and Smith; hen 1st 94, 2nd 94, Smith; cockerel 1st 92, 2nd 89½, Fleming; pullet 1st 93½, 2nd 93, Smith; breeding pen 1st 184½ Smith, 2nd 184½ Fleming. Pit—Cock 1st Adair, 2nd McLaughlan; hen 1st Adair; cockerel 1st and 2nd Adair; pullet 1st and 2nd Adair; breeding pen 1st Adair. Pyle—Hen 1st 91½ Peter; cockerel 2nd 89 Peter; pullet 2nd 89½ Peter.

HAMBURGS—Black—Cock 1st 95½ Barret, 2nd 91 Otter; hen 1st 95, 2nd 92½, Otter; cockerel 1st 95, 2nd 93½, Otter; pullet 1st 95½, 2nd 92½, Otter. Golden Pencilled—Cock 1st 91 Jackman; hen 1st 92 Jackman, 2nd 91½ Bache; cockerel 1st 95 Jessop, 2nd 92½ Bache; pullet 1st 95 Jessop. S P—Cock 1st 91½ Dawson, 2nd 89½ McKinnon; hen 1st 90½ Dawson, 2nd 87½ McKinnon; cockerel 1st 92, 2nd 90½ Dawson; pullet 1st 92, 2nd 91 Dawson; breeding pen 1st 183 Dawson. G S—Hen 2nd 89½ Bache. S S—Cock 2nd 89½ McKinnon; hen 2nd 87½ McKinnon.

LEGHORNS—S C W—Cock 1st 92 Grier, 2nd 88 (tie) Souter and Whitelaw; hen 1st 94 1-2 Souter; cockerel 1st 93 1-2 Grier, 2nd