

Thursday, the 6th day of October, the fourth day of the Exhibition, and, if necessary, will be continued next and succeeding days, until the whole are disposed of. The sale will be held under the auspices of the Ontario Poultry Association, and will be by catalogue. Sellers will therefore communicate with the Secretary of the Association not less than two weeks before the above date, stating the number of pens of fowls intended to be sent, the number and breed contained in each pen, and the cost of the pen, which, in all cases, will be added to the price at which the birds will be sold.

It is not intended that the sale shall in any way interfere with the poultry department of the Provincial Exhibition other than beneficially. Intending exhibitors in the poultry class, will, if they so desire, have an opportunity of competing for the prizes offered in this class, and afterwards place their birds in the auction rooms, for sale, while other breeders, having a surplus stock, will by this means have an opportunity of disposing of them at a time when they are sure of having a large number of purchasers to attend. We trust a large number of breeders will take advantage of the opportunity thus offered, and that purchasers will not fail to attend and secure for next season good stock for their breeding yards.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TO THE EDITOR CANADIAN POULTRY CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR,—According to promise I send you statement of eggs from Mr. Fowler. We had very poor success with his eggs; only two birds, Patridge Cochins, from four and a half dozen eggs. I think the reason was, that the eggs were packed in bran, which made them ride very solid. There were any amount of nails in the lid of the box,

and an old leather strap nailed around that—enough nailing and hammering to spoil the eggs before they started; there was one egg broken when they arrived. I think it was also rather late in the season; I think April is the best month to ship eggs for hatching. In your article on Imported Eggs, Hatching Experience, etc., I think you and your friend have got hold of the wrong Mr. Belden.

Mr. Belden, our man, is a Mr. Belden of Bingley, Yorkshire. I hope your man is not the same. Mr. Belden, by his letters, seems to be a gentleman. Our eggs were well packed and arrived in splendid condition; the box seemed to be made on purpose, instead of being bought from a grocer. The matter of having paper round the eggs amounts to very little unless there is something of an elastic springy nature between the two. I had a setting of eggs (13) from Montreal this spring, nicely papered and packed in bran; I only had four chickens out of the lot. Now, I think it will bother any poultry fancier in the country to take ten dozen eggs out of his own yard and raise seventy chickens—if there are any I would like to see the figures through the columns of your paper.

Yours Truly,

R. PATTERSON.

The Mr. Belden referred to by us in the article alluded to by our correspondent is the same gentleman from whom he received his hatching eggs.—ED.

BUFFETTING INTO FRIENDSHIP.

MR. EDITOR,—I notice in the last number of THE CANADIAN POULTRY CHRONICLE an article under the above heading. Now, the remedy you there give to keep cocks from fighting may do very well for Dung-hills, but I am sure it would never do for true Game cocks, which nothing but separation by