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DATES.

St. Catharines Poultry and Pet Stock Association at St. Catharines, December 20, 21, 22 and 23. R Hamill Secretary.

The Toronto Poultry and Pet Stock Association at Toronto, December 27 to 31. E. J. Otter, 103 Elliott street, Toronto, Secretary.

Eastern Townships Poultry Association, at Sherbrooke, Quebec, December 30 and 31, and January 1. C. J. Odell, Secretary.

Bowmanville Poultry Association, January 4th, 5th and 6th. J. Y. Bicknell, judge. T. H. Smelt, Secretary.

Guelph Poultry and Pet Stock Association, at Guelph January 5, 6 and 7. R. McKenzie, Secretary.

The Ontario Poultry Association, at London, January 11, 12, 13 and 14. W. R. Garner, Secretary.

The St. Thomas Poultry Association, at St. Thomas January 18th to 21st. J. H. Scott Secretary.

Owen Sound Poultry Association, at Owen Sound, January 11, 12 and 13. G. F. Faith, Secretary.

Eastern Ontario Poultry Association, at Ottawa, January 18, 19, 20 and 21. P. G. Keyes, Secretary.

Seaforth and Stratford Poultry Associations at Seaforth, January 25th to 29th. I. K. Felch, Judge. E. C. Coleman, Secretary.

NOTES.

Remember the ball leads off with the St. Catharines show on December 20th.

The Bowmanville Association have fixed their dates for January 4, 5 and 6, 1887, and have secured Mr. J. Y. Bicknell as Judge. The list will be a good one and all birds, both fowls and pigeons are to be shown singly.

The Seaforth and Stratford union show will be held in Seaforth on January 25th to 29th, 1887. I. K. Felch is to score all birds not disqualified, which alone ought to prove a leading attraction. A good cash list will be offered in due time, write to the Secretary, Mr. E. C. Coleman, and get one free.

The St. Thomas Poultry and Pet Stock Association have fixed their

dates for January 18, 19, 20 and 21. All birds scored, Mr. L. J. Jarvis, Judge. This is their first venture and we trust it may prove a successful one.

The Eastern Ontario advertisement will be found in this issue. They claim that they are going to have the premier show of the season, if a good list and prompt payment will attract it.

The Ontario Poultry Association promise the largest special list ever offered in Canada. We understand that the fanciers are responding most nobly.

The Guelph Poultry Association have a change in their advertisement this month. They deserve the support of the fanciers for their efforts in behalf of the Ontario the past two years, and we have no doubt but that their own show this season will be conducted on an honorable and paying basis. Guelph makes it a rule to pay 100 cents on the dollar.

We have received a copy of Blanchard's poultry account books, which are a most useful article in every poultry house no matter how small. Get one and try the plan for a year from the first of January, there is some satisfaction in knowing whether your hobby is paying or not. J. Stewart Kennedy, Cowansville, Quebec, is agent for Canada.

Mr. W. H. Doel has imported from England a pen of East India Ducks, the only ones that we know of in Canada.

The annual consumption of eggs in Berlin amounts to 11,944 tons, or 191,107,920 eggs, of the value of 7,459,342 marks. This is equal to 45 eggs per capita, or about one egg in three days to every inhabitant.

POULTRY AT THE FALL FAIRS.

BY STANLEY SPILLETT.

Having visited several fall or country fairs I have to report Simcoe going ahead *enormously* in poultry. At Stayner the quantity and quality were creditable indeed. In Light Brahmas there were a few pairs of birds that would be no disgrace to a regular poultry show, the Plymouth Rocks were in my opinion some of the best I have ever seen the regularity and clearness of the markings were truly beautiful. The Wyandottes shown by friend Peters were magnificent especially the pullet of which mention was made in the last number of REVIEW. If I were not a Brahma man clean through I believe I should be a Wyandotte one. A pair of Pekin ducks shown at this show were very fine, but there were a number of pairs shown which were very creditable indeed, and as I noted, most of the poultry shown were really thoroughbred and exhibited by farmers. Only a few years ago a large percentage of birds shown as Brahmas, Spanish etc., had a very remote cross of these breeds in their composition to say the least, but during this season I have not seen one mongrel shown. It seems to me this is very encouraging to the fanciers as well as to those interested