

list the following varieties of fowls:—Wyandottes, Langshans, and unbearded Polands.

The members who attended the Guelph show were requested to give a short description of the same for the benefit of those who did not attend. This request was responded to by several, who characterized this show as the most successful and grandest ever held in Canada. One of the members took a prize-list in hand and gave a detailed account from the largest Asiatic to the smallest bantam. This gentleman must have a very retentive memory, as he could particularize the show from beginning to end. Such a member is of inestimable value to any society. A vote of thanks was tendered to the speakers, after which the meeting adjourned.

The next regular meeting will be held on the 24th inst., when officers will be elected for the ensuing year. All members are requested to be present.

W. R. GARNER, Sec'y.

NOTES.

The frosty nights of the past few weeks have worked great havoc among the poultry of this locality. Some fine specimens have been completely destroyed as exhibition birds.

Many persons suppose that a small advertisement is not noticed, but the contrary is the case. Many great dry goods kings have started with an ad. of only a few lines. A. T. Stewart, the most successful dry goods man in America, began business in New York with a three line announcement, and finished his career the possessor of many millions. And so it is in every sphere of business. We are satisfied the poultryman will keep his poultry until they have seen many months unless they advertise. It need not necessarily be a large one, although a large one will pay in proportion to its size. As an instance of the benefits of advertising, let us give you a case in point: We put a small ad in the last number of *Review* in the "for sale" column, and during the next week we received no less than sixteen letters, enquiring after what we had advertised. At any rate as a result of the ad. we disposed of all our surplus stock, and could have sold three times as much if we had had it. Judicious advertising is the secret of success, not only in mercantile spheres, but also in the poultry business. We say to one and all engaged in breeding fancy poultry, start out with an advertisement, no matter how small, and your profits will be large and sure. The poultry fraternity of Canada ought to be thankful to you, Mr. Fullerton, for furnishing such a valuable advertising medium and as well give you such support as will warrant your increasing the size of the *Review* at no distant day. The *Review* is the best advertising medium in Canada, for more than one reason. The Americans take it, not alone for the valuable information it contains, but also to secure the addresses of Canadian breeders and to ascertain what *they* have for sale, and thus the journal mentioned serves the double purpose of reaching the Americans as well as the Canadian poultry public.

As the *Review* is the *only* Canadian poultry journal, let us, as fanciers, turn out and give it our undivided support.

W. R. G. & BRO.

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Wyandottes.

Editor Review.

My attention is drawn to a communication, in your January number of *Review*, from Sherbrooke, headed "The New Favorites." I think, Sir, the P. A. of O., as well as all other shows should be very careful what new breeds they offer prizes for, and know first whether they are deserving of recognition. The Wyandotte is a handsome fowl, they are very taking to the eye, but have they any other recommendation? Some years ago I obtained two lots of them, and gave them a fair trial. I found them breed pretty true as to marking, and very true as to other properties. In their first year they were *only fair* layers, in their second year poor layers indeed—such as lived to go through their second summers, as most of the hens the second spring would suddenly die without any apparent disease; and after keeping them three or four years, I gave them up in disgust, believing them to be a humbug.

I think, therefore, we should be very careful how we admit the Wyandottes into our list of economic fowls, until they have been well tested by some of our older breeders. Certainly the *improved variety* (so called) may have redeemed them from the great faults I mention, so that they may now be of some value, but I question very much if any fowls can be so *improved* as to entirely change their constitution.

Yours truly,

WM. H. DOEL.

Doncaster, Ont., Jan. 28, '85.

Notes from Ottawa.

The coming exhibition promises to be a very successful one.

Entries from all parts of the Province and many from Montreal are coming in for our show.

C. H. Crosby, of Bridgeport, Conn., writes to say that he will be here punctually on the evening of the 16th, ready to begin scoring the birds on Wednesday.

We are much surprised at the course of the Ontario Poultry Association in regard to scoring. It is surely a backward move with a vengeance to oppose scoring. The "score card" is bound to be the grand regulating medium for future sales, and birds without their points certified to by a competent judge won't fetch the price that scored birds will, and that dealers will find out.

Purchases of Wyandottes and Golden Sebright Bantams to the amount of \$50 00 have been made by Messrs A. Geddes and P. G. Keyes. The more the merrier.

Mr. Campbell Smith, of Hintonburg, has received a very fine Partridge Cochins cock and a White Leghorn Cockerel. The former bird came from Toronto and the latter from the neighborhood of Bowmanville.

One breeder writes from Brockville saying, "I wish to become a member of your association and will exhibit 14 pens. I want coops, and wish