

POULTRY DROPPINGS.

Mr. R. H. Kemp, of Grimsby, writes us under date of August 13th:—"Seeing Mr. Daniels' inquiry about droppings I send you sample of plums, the large ones are raised from trees that I used poultry droppings on, the small ones are not so early you see and not so large. I used on trees that produced them Freeman's Fertilizer of Hamilton." The samples we duly received, and there was certainly a most striking difference in size and maturity. We should like to know, for the benefit of our readers, how Mr. Kemp kept droppings and when and how applied.

P. S.—We are never too busy to test samples of the above kind.

MESSRS. SPRATTS PATENT, NEW YORK,

the well known caterers to the wants of "fur and feather," have generously donated \$200 in gold to be divided as follows at the next New York show:—\$10 for the best light and dark Brahma; \$10 for the best Cochin, any color; \$10 for the best Langshan, any color; \$10 for the best Plymouth Rock, any color; \$10 for the best Wyandotte, any color; \$10 for the best Leghorn, any variety; \$10 for the best Minorca, any color; \$10 for the best Andalusian; \$10 for the best bird of any of the French breeds; \$10 for the best Polish, any color; \$10 for the best Standard Game, any color; \$10 for the best Indian Game, any color; \$10 for the best Dorking, any color; \$10 for the best Hamburg, any color; \$10 for the best bird, any other variety; \$10 for the best standard Game Bantam, any color; \$10 for the best Cochin Bantam, any color; \$10 for the best Bantam, any other variety; \$10 for the best pair of Ducks, any variety; \$10 for the heaviest bird, any variety. All for birds hatched in 1894.

THE EGG TRADE.

Dealers have this year evidently held out too long judging from the circular issued by Messrs. Gunn, Flaville & Co., Toronto. We would draw particular attention to the last paragraph of the circular and can endorse all therein said.—"The very unsatisfactory condition of the egg trade in this city is apparent to all engaged in the trade, both in the city and the adjacent towns, but the cause is not so generally known. Why should eggs go begging for buyers in Toronto to-day, at 7c to 8c per dozen, when they are worth in New York 17c? It will only take about 5c to pay

freight thence and duty. Simply because the quality is poor. Why is this? Do not our Canadian hens lay good eggs? They do. There are no better eggs than those produced here. Then what is the trouble? Simply this, they are not fresh! Many farmers and country dealers do not market their eggs when fresh, but get into the vicious habit of holding for a rise in price, and not having storage of suitable temperature, a few hot days catch them. They are then hastened to market, arrive out of condition and are unsalable. To-day there are hundreds, yes, we believe thousands of cases of eggs held here, for which the receiver would be glad to get any price, but for which there is no sale. Attempts to force these into consumption have turned consumers against eggs generally and other articles of food are now taking their place. The consumption of eggs in the city at present is not half of what it should be, if stocks were good. The loss the country has sustained during the past month from deterioration in value of eggs is very great, for every egg was once fresh and salable, and there has always been a good demand for fresh eggs. Notwithstanding all this, there is still demand for fine fresh eggs, and if you can send us some that are strictly fresh we will guarantee you a fair if not a very large return, but we have no place for held goods."

MESSRS. OLDRIEVE & NICOL, KINGSTON,

will refrain from showing in Toronto this year, but instead will take about one hundred birds to Quebec.

THE RELIABLE INCUBATOR CO.

Quincy, Ill., have struck a novel idea in sending out testimonials "by the yard." Six feet have reached us.

MR. TREW'S OPINION OF THE REVIEW.

Mr. W. A. Roberts, of Kansas, writes us as follows:—"D. C. Trew, Esq., of Lindsay, Ont., writes me that the CANADIAN POULTRY REVIEW is the best paper published and I would like to see a copy of it, get the price and subscribe for it." M. Trew "here's lookin' at yez."

CENTRAL CANADA FAIR, OTTAWA.

Mr. Geddes writes us, "Kindly note that the annual meeting of the Eastern Ontario Poultry Association will be held at Ottawa, on Thursday, September 27th, as it is during the Fair we hope to have a large meeting. The Judges for the Central Canada Fair will be the same as last year:—Nodden of Toronto for Poultry; John Ashworth of Ottawa for Turkeys, Geese and Ducks, and both of them for Pigeons and Pet Stock."