

them, to which I replied I had not; also a letter dated same day asking for same information. Now, I do not know your object in writing me as you have, but presume it is to satisfy yourself in the matter to know whether you are justified in publishing such letters. I haven't the slightest doubt but that Mr. Duff will be agreeable to showing you the correspondence, but for your personal information I might say that in November last I sent John R. Gray \$7.50 for two buff laced Polish pullets, but up to date have received no birds nor return of the money. Were he an honorable man, when he could not furnish the birds he would have returned the money as requested, but I have not been able to get it out of him and have left the matter in Mr. Duff's hands, as I could get no satisfaction out of him. I do not think you can be too severe in censuring this man, for it is quite evident he is practicing fraud and should be well advertised.

Yours truly,

J. P. BRISBIN.

About the Manitoba matter, I got money for four birds. I eventually sent five birds. *Extract from Gray's letter of April 6th, 1896.*

NOTE.—He since acknowledges the claim and has settled the matter by agreeing to make weekly payment to Mr. T. A. Duff, who is acting for Mr. Brisbin. until all is paid.

#### *Victor Fortier vs. Jno Gray.*

Mr. Victor Fortier last fall or summer wrote offering me a \$28 gold watch in exchange for sixteen or seventeen fowls and bants. When the watch came it was broken and I was dubious about its value, so I did not send him all the birds. In the meantime I found that the watch was not worth anything near what he stated, and Mr. J. A. Laird, of Brampton, finally took it to Kent's, where he was told that it was retailed at \$15. Who was the sharper, Mr. Donovan? He got all the birds but two, these I kept and decided not to deal with him again and wrote him to that effect. *Extract from Gray's letter of April 6, '96.*

Here is what I will give you for the watch: one cock, three hens black Africans, pair young black Africans, two old Pekins, six young Pekins, pair choice young Red Caps, three odd Bantams. *Extract from letter of Gray's to Fortier, dated August 2nd, 1895.*

Montreal, April 16th, 1896.

I got from Gray, trio buff Pekin, 2 black African hens, 1 black African pullet, 1 pair Red Cap chicks, 3 young Pekins, 2 common chicks.

VICTOR FORTIER.

NOTE.—Gray stated at the meeting of the Toronto Association that he had agreed to send 17 birds and had sent in all 15. We make his offer to read 20 and Mr. Fortier states he received 13.

#### *J. Leffel vs. Jno. Gray.*

Col. Joseph Leffel's name was mentioned at the above noted meeting as one who had been victimized by Gray. We wrote him for an explanation, appended is his reply:

Springfield, Ohio, April 23rd, 1896.

H. B. Donovan:

Dear Sir—Your letter has been received and in reply would say that I sent John Gray \$30 cash in January, 1892, for white Indian Game which I never got. I had to take a few other breeds of fowls to get part of my money back. I think, as near as I can remember, I got about \$15 worth of stock for my \$30. He is a fraud of the worst kind. Any person who sends him money for stock will get left. I could not get a settlement out of him. I remain,

Yours truly, COL. J. LEFFEL.

NOTE.—Mr. Gray distinctly stated at the Toronto Association meet-

ing that Col. Leffel had accepted Polands *in full* for his claim, and that he had written stating how pleased he was at the stock sent.

In reference to Col. Leffel, I have long since filled his order. *Extract from Gray's letter, dated April 10, 1896.*

#### *L. A. Haszard vs. Jno. Gray.*

Mr. H. B. Donovan, Charlottetown, P.E.I., April 8, 1896.

Dear Sir,—As you will remember, I advertised some stock in your paper last fall in for sale or exchange column, and I sold two pairs of Sebrights to a man in Montreal, also one pair to a party in Quebec, at \$2 per pair, and they seemed well satisfied with the stock, and I would have been of the same mind had I not met with our friend, Mr. John Gray, 58t Dundas Street, Toronto. He wrote and told me he would take the stock I had advertised if not sold. I wrote and told him that I had two African cockerels left at \$1.50, and if he cared to take them I would take a brooder from him and send him the balance in cash, which was \$4. This I did. I sent him an express order for that amount, also sent the two cockerels by express, which he acknowledged and said he was well pleased with them. I cannot find all his letters, but he tried all he could to get me to buy all sorts of things from him. I enclose you one or two of his letters which I have left. It is over six months, I think, since I sent him the birds and express order for \$4 and cannot get anything from him but promises and excuses. I would not mind it so much if I could get my \$4 back. The Africans were well worth double the money, as they were R. Oke stock and were very fine. I would be very glad if you could advise me of any way to collect it. I would be glad if I could get half, or anything. I am glad to see by the last REVIEW that you have exposed him. If you wish to take it in your hands I will be satisfied with anything you can collect.

Yours truly, L. A. HASZARD.

H. B. Donovan, 58t Dundas St., Toronto, April 20, 1896.

SIR,—I received yours re Mr. Haszard, and will offer my explanation as follows: This winter Mr. Haszard sent me part cash part birds for a brooder. When his order arrived I could not get dry lumber such as I wanted, to make it, and as Mr. Haszard did not say he was in any particular hurry I decided to wait. In the meantime I had a couple of weeks' sickness and could not attend to it, and before I got at it Mr. Haszard wrote me cancelling the order. I had not got the money at the time to return, but intended to do so as soon as possible, and wrote him to that effect, also telling him I would send plans of the brooder. I have had several dealings with Mr. Haszard, and I suppose always satisfactory, but I can easily understand how he would feel after your beautiful article on me in last REVIEW. I may say I have returned part of the money to Mr. Haszard and will send the balance as soon as I earn it. I have also sent Mr. Stockwell part of his cash. These two cases, together with the Manitoba matter, are the only ones where I have received money and did not fill the order. I did not expect Haszard's case to be in it, for I had always previously satisfied him and intended doing so again. I am not advertising, sending out circulars, cards, or in any way catch suckers; those who have written me the past six months are men I have had dealings with before. You have my explanation of these cases and whatever you may think of them I had no intention of doing anything but right. *Extract from Gray's letter, April 20, 1896.*

#### *H. K. Stockwell vs. Jno. Gray.*

Editor Review:

Danville, Que., April 4, 1896.

I wish to thank you for exposing the conduct of Jno. R. Gray, now of Toronto, as I was one who sent money for birds and received only promises and assurances that illness was the cause of the delay. I am