

## WANTED—AN ANNUAL CONVENTION.

## EDITOR REVIEW.

I HAVE read with interest your valuable articles along the practical line of poultry keeping, and I have been deeply interested in the various experiences related, all of which to my mind tends to point in one direction: that is that the poultrymen of this province should hold a convention similar to the dairymen and let us discuss the difficulties met in our daily work. I believe that the practical side of poultry keeping should be as carefully fostered as the fancy. We have our poultry shows and they do good work, but it seems difficult to hold a meeting to discuss poultry raising, etc. Everybody is looking after prizes and the result is a meeting is a failure.

Many of our most successful poultrymen, who make money out of producing eggs and chickens care little for our associations. They say the associations get a grant for the development of the poultry industry and do nothing to help the practical side of it. I have in mind a gentleman who has this winter cleared \$45 per month from about 350 laying hens. Now, this man would like a convention where he could hear some of our American friends discuss such branches as broilers, eggs in winter, capons, etc.

I am sure I am voicing the sentiment of the farmers and practical poultrymen when I say that we need a convention as much as the dairymen do, and if it is not practicable to hold a convention in connection with our shows, let us hold a meeting separate from them. Perhaps at first the attendance might be small, yet a large report of practical information would do much to further the development of the industry. Our British market is ready to take goods providing the quality is right, therefore it is our duty as poultrymen to educate the farmer and ourselves along the practical line as much as possible.

Yours truly, W. R. GRAHAM.  
Belleville, Ont., April 12, '99.

## INGERSOLL'S NEXT SHOW.

## EDITOR REVIEW:—

WE have just engaged Mr. Sharp Butterfield to again judge our show, which will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 13th, 14th and 15th, 1899. We intend to add about twenty more varieties to our show and make it a great success.

Yours truly,

S. A. GIBSON, Secretary.

Ingersoll, April 25th, 1899.

## What the People Say

Two Self-Explanatory Letters from the Veteran Prize Winner, Mr. Wm. McNeil.

(No. 1.)

The London Poultry Yards,  
778 Waterloo St., London, Aug. 8, 1898.

Messrs. John S. Pearce & Co., Poultry Supplies, City:  
Dear Sirs,—I have been giving your Tonic Poultry Food a trial for a short time, and I think it grand for both fowls and chicks; I have, however, not been using it long enough to give it a fair test, but will do so, and let you know later on. I have given your Electric Louse Killer a fair trial, and it is the best I have ever used, and I would highly recommend it to all poultrymen. It is sure death to hen lice.

Yours truly, WM. MCNEIL.

(No. 2.)

The London Poultry Yards,  
778 Waterloo St., London, Dec. 10, 1898.

John S. Pearce & Co., Poultry Supplies, City:  
Dear Sirs,—Early last August I used your Electric Louse Killer and also your Tonic Poultry Food. Then I did not have time to give it a fair test. Since that time I have given it a fair test, and I find your Louse Killer the best I have ever used and would highly recommend it to anyone keeping fowl. Now, about the Tonic Poultry Food I cannot speak too highly: I have given it a fair test. It is grand for keeping chicks growing and keeping them in health. For old fowl it is extra good for them in the moulting season, and when fitting them up for exhibition there is nothing better. It puts a gloss on the plumage better than any other poultry tonic or condition powder I have ever used. Use Pearce's Tonic Poultry Food and there is no danger of rump in your yards.

Yours truly, WM. MCNEIL.

Please note the dates on above letters. We need add nothing, only send for our Poultry Supply Catalogue.

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**The Canadian Live Stock and Poultry**  
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Manufacturers and Importers of and Dealers in all kinds of Poultry and Live Stock Foods and Supplies.

## THE BEST FOWL FOR THE NORTH WEST?

WOULD you kindly ask the opinion of your numerous subscribers on the following questions:—

What variety of hens—in their opinions—will stand the following severe conditions that obtain in the N. W. Territories:—

1. A winter of nearly seven months with the thermometer as low as 50 below zero, where it is next to impossible to prevent water from freezing in the hen house.

2. Almost absolute confinement during the above period.

3. What are most likely to give best results in egg production during these hardships?

4. Will Cornish Indian Games stand cold and confinement and lay as well as other fowls, and what are the average weights of this strain?

5. Can eggs for hatching be successfully hatched after an overland journey of nearly 2000 miles?

Yours very truly,

Kenlis, Assa., N.W.T.

D. RUTLEDGE.

[Let us have several replies from those who have had a somewhat similar experience.—Ed.]