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SHOW DATES.

Ontario (Port Hope), Jun. 6th to 10th, 1896.
 Cobourg, Jan. 13, 14, 15 and 16, 1896.
 New-Hamburg, Jan. 21, 22, 23 and 24, 1896.
 Nanaimo, B. C., Jan. 21, 22 and 23, 1896.
 Eastern Ontario (Ottawa), Jan. 21, 22, 23 and 24, 1896.
 Montreal, Feb. 4 to 7, 1896.
 Cornwall, Feb. 12 to 14, 1896.

ENTRIES CLOSE.

Ontario, Dec. 30, 1895.
 Montreal, Jan. 17, 1896.
 Cobourg, Jan. 7, 1896.
 Eastern Ontario, Jan. 11, 1896.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

"READY SALE TO FARMERS."

RR. Geo. Love, of Ninga, Man., in renewing his subscription to REVIEW informs us that he is still sticking to barred Plymouth Rocks and that he finds a ready sale, to farmers, of his surplus males at one dollar each. He is of the opinion that, though this price is low, it pays better than raising turkeys.

SCORING.

Any one who attended the late Guelph show and also that at Owen Sound the following week, could not fail to notice the great difference in the scores given the same birds of some varieties by Mr. Jarvis and Mr. Butterfield. The difference in some cases, we believe we are correct in stating, amounted to as much as five or six points. There is something radically wrong where such disparity can exist and this in great part brings judging by the scoring system into disrepute. There is no doubt but that many breeds are scored altogether too high, in fact our opinion is that few birds can go over ninety honest points. Mr. Butter-

field, as we remarked to him while at Owen Sound, is cutting more severely than he ever did before, though he is unwilling to admit the fact.

A JUDGES' ASSOCIATION

was organized some years ago in the U.S., but it apparently died in the shell as all it ever did, so far as we can learn, was to collect the dollars of its members. This variance in scoring was one of the points the Association was to regulate, but as we have said the Club is still enjoying a long rest.

CANADIAN JUDGES.

We have in Canada three what may be called professional judges, and of course many others who have occasionally officiated with honor to themselves and profit to exhibitors and all concerned. We believe we have here the best all round judges in America, for the good reason that they have opportunities of handling many varieties of birds of such quality as is practically unknown on the other side. Why could not these three men get together occasionally, compare notes and agree on certain cuts for certain defects? There is nothing impossible in it, and we believe that it is this lack of uniformity of scoring that is destroying the usefulness of the system. We throw out the suggestion for what it is worth.

KANSAS CITY SHOW.

Mr. McNeill again brought back to Canada the piano offered here for the best collection, winning almost everything he went in for. He took out about two hundred and fifty birds. Mr. McCormick was also a large exhibitor, especially in buff Cochins and won many prizes. We have not seen a copy of the award list so are unable to say if any other Canadian exhibitors competed.

CLEVELAND SHOW.

Mr. C. J. Daniels here had a winning time of it, taking a