



Fig. 61.—SHIPPING CASE READY FOR COVER.

The box should be lined with parchment paper, a sheet of 18 inches by 26 inches being placed on the bottom, another 10 by 26 inches on each side and a third 10 by 18 inches on each end. Allow about four inches of paper to extend over the edges of the box.

The first row of birds are laid along one side of the bottom with backs down and heads extended across, as shown in Fig. 60. The second row are laid with breasts down and heads extended across between the birds of the first row. Fig. 61 shows the case packed ready for closing. Notice that in this illustration the backs of both rows of birds are shown. This is a method frequently followed but by placing the birds as described above the case looks the same no matter which side is opened. Place a sheet of parchment paper 18 by 26 inches over the birds, tuck in the edges, fold the extended edges of the papers of the side and nail down the cover.

To prevent the development of mould in warm weather dip the last sheet of parchment paper in a 5 per cent. solution of formalin. On one end of the shipping case should be stencilled the name and address of the shipper, the number of birds and whether they are chickens or fowl. When packed the box should be weighed and the net weight plainly marked.



Fig. 62.—CRATE FOR SHIPPING LIVE POULTRY.