



MESSRS. OLIVER, COATE & CO.

ROPRIETORS of the well known auction mart, Toronto, purpose holding a sale of poultry, pigeons, &c., early in March. This should be a good opportunity for breeders to dispose of their surplus stock and also afford those desirous of purchasing, a like chance.

### POULTRY FARMS.

We hear that Mr. Fletcher, who resides in the northern suburbs of this city, purposes engaging in poultry farming on his place of twenty-five acres and intends to keep a stock of some two thousand head. Properly managed there is no doubt but such an undertaking would prove remunerative, though it is not wise to begin on too large a scale.

### MR. C. F. WAGNER, TORONTO,

is also about to devote his whole attention to poultry farming, but in his case it is intended to combine the show room with the more practical part, and nothing but "blue blood" will be kept on this farm of thirty-five acres, which is nicely situated near the shore of Lake Ontario at Mimico a suburb of Toronto.

# FIRE !!

We regret to learn that Mr. C. J. Eisele, Guelph, has lost many of his birds having unfortunately been burnt out-Some were saved but in consequence of the conflagration he must dispose of most, if not all, of the remainder. MR. WM. MCNEILL, LONDON,

was the fortunate winner of the Wagner Cup at the Ontario with his black African Bantams. The average score was 95.

# Massey's Illustrated,

for January amongst "Poultry Notes" says: "Next to the Jersey Red, the Poland China breed is considered to rank highest in regard to hardiness, and ability to resist disease." Mr. Butterfield is an expert judge on these "birds," would he kindly give us his opinion as to the proper texture of plumage? As the old saw says, "pigs may fly but they are very unlikely birds."

#### MR. W. H. ULLEY,

the President of the Montreal Poultry Association recently sent the grand silver Wyandotte cock "Uncle Tom" to Mr. R. Anthony, England. The bird was ten days on the way and arrived in good condition.

### MR. MCCORMICK,

did not tell us, but still we know, that Mr. J. H. Proctor, England, last month sent him a very grand pair of buff Cochin chicks.

#### THE PORT HOPE ASSOCIATION

will hold its inaugural show on February 14th, 15th and 16th next, and the local membership roll is so large and such a deep interest is being taken in it that success is assured We hope to notice the fixture more fully in next issue.

# AN EFFICIENT STAFF.

As will be seen by our report we think highly of the efficient manner in which the Secretary's and Treasurer's duties were carried out in connection with the late show of the