

A flight organized by the Society la Montagne, fixed for Orleans, June 6th, with prizes amounting to about 1,100 francs, is also announced by *L'Epervier*.

The society LeVantour, at Ans, is organizing a pigeon race from Tournay, for August 8th. The prizes (amounting to about \$200.00) are gifts, and the proceeds of the flight are to be applied for the benefit of poor children attending the public schools.

STILL ANOTHER PIGEON HOME FROM ROME.—M. Vanheffen, of Forest-lez-Bruxelles, recovered last week the pigeon which he entered in the Roman race. This bird carried off the first prize in the grand national meeting of Montauban, organized in 1875 by the society L' Hirondelle of Brussels.

M. A. Muyl of Roulers has regained a pigeon which two years ago he entered in a race from Mont de Marsan.

In cases like these it is not probable that the bird failing to find its loft has settled in a new home, and afterwards being sent or driven away has made another and successful attempt to regain its first home?

Belgian pigeon fanciers seem to have their own troubles. Ravenous birds abound in the environs of Brussels, and the other day the editor of one of the journals of the fancy was presented with a number of stamped feathers, gathered by the guardian of a large domain in the canton of Schaerbeek, from the remains of pigeons left by birds of prey; thus explaining to many an owner the fate of missing birds. Moreover throughout the country numbers of would be sportsmen make it a point of shooting at every pigeon which comes within range. These depredations take place mostly on Sunday, which as a holiday enables numbers of people employed during the week to amuse themselves at their neighbors' expense on that day. The law provides a remedy for this state of affairs, but the police are not sufficiently numerous to watch the whole country, and exceptional fines do not seem to have much effect. In one case, at Kansart, it is said the fowlers have formed a society whose joint funds are intended to defray the expenses of any of the members who may fall into the hands of the law. Complaints of this state of affairs have been made to the proper officers, asking for greater stringency in the enforcement of the law, and some attempts are being made to form societies to prosecute infractions of it, and to encourage the destruction of rapacious birds.

American fanciers are finding that the long distance birds imported from Belgium do not give the satisfaction in flying that was expected from them. They will prove most valuable as breeders

Communications.

FRIEND FULLERTON.—The REVIEW for April came to hand looking fresh and new as a summer morning, and must please its many readers. The last number is the best you ever sent from the office, and if you keep your improvement up it will certainly please yourself—I know you are hardest of all to please. There is so much that is good in it I will not mention anything except the "picture gallery" you have started, with the pleasant face of friend McMillan. Dick looks as smiling as though he had heard that his white-faced black Spanish had won a sweepstake at some good show—as, by-the-way, they generally do. You tell him I shall try to take some of the 3rd premiums, at least, from him next winter. So he had better "look ride away oud" this summer and raise some extra good ones. Keep it up, and still go onward and upward, as you evidently are doing.

JAMES M. LAMBING.

Editor Review,

SIR,—I think the following treatment not just quite straight, and if the party does not make it good without delay, I shall give the name. Some months ago an advertisement appeared in a poultry paper to the effect that a book, "Poultry Architecture," by H. H. Stoddard, was for sale at that office. I sent price demanded, but from that day to this have not heard a word about it, though I sent first a card, and again a letter containing a post card, for reply, but though this was six weeks ago, no notice has been taken of it so far.

Yours truly,

S. SPILLETT.

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Quite a number of letters of a nature somewhat similar to the above have reached us lately, and from them it would seem as though a regular system of deception was being practised on fanciers. We have been repeatedly asked if we had seen "Martin's Directory," which was largely advertised in one of our poultry journals some time ago. Several have informed us that they sent their money for it, but could not get the "directory," nor their money back.—Ed.

Montreal Poultry, Dog, and Pet Stock Association.

The quarterly meeting of the Montreal Poultry, Dog, and Pet Stock Association was held in the Natural History Society's Rooms on Thursday evening. Mr. J. F. Scriven, the Second Vice President, in the chair. The election of Secretary-Treas. having been left over from the annual meeting, Mr. Thomas Hall proposed, and Mr. Pine seconded, that Mr. James H. Cayford be elected to that office, which was carried unanimously. Owing to the absence of the President, important business had to be left over until the adjourned meeting, which will be held on Monday, 21st instant.