# In the Poultry Yard

### Toronto Poultry Show

The Toronto Poultry and Fat Stock Association held a very successful show in St. Andrew's Hall on Dec. 30-Jan. 2 There was a good attendance and a large exhibit of choice birds for visitors to look at. .12

# Fresh Eggs in Winter

In order to make hens lay in winter they must be kept comfortable in every The hen house must be kept respect. warm, clean, and well-ventilated. It Jack Frost enters, or if you inhale a disgusting "henney" odor on opening hookthe door, you may as well give up looking for eggs, until you change the conditions. Have the hen house cleaned ditions. Have the nen modes scatted every day. Every fine day when the weather isn't too cold or stormy leave the door open for a while, so that the fowls may take a run if they feel inclined. Give them plenty of clean water, slight-ly warmed, when the weather is very cold. After the snow comes grit must be supplied in the shape of oyster shells or ground bone. If the poultry raiser understands his or her business, loves the work and pays strict attention to details no difficulty will be experienced in persuading the hens to lay. They will promptly respond. Many of the pretty red-combed pullets have started to work and if you are good to them they will not become weary in well doing. Give them a varied bill of fare and scatter their food among straw or chaff in order to make them take sufficient exercise, for if they become lazy and fat they will not pay their board. When you feed them watch to see if they ap-pear to relish their food. If they do not give them something entirely different for their next meal. Save all the scraps of meat, etc., left from the table. cut them up small and see how greedily the fowls will devour them. Give them vegetables too. Hang up a cabbage so that they will have to jump up to get a mouthful When jump up to get that they will nave to jump up to get a mouthful. Wheat, oats, commeal, potatoes and bran mashes should be fed alternately. Throw a sheaf of wheat into the hen house sometimes. The fowls will enjoy threshing it. Go to the butcher and buy them some livers They just love meat and livers. Give your fowls plenty of good, appetizing egg-making food; give them good care and attention and they will repay you principal and interest, for they are hon-est. AR

Early Ducklings

Early Ducklings Those who wish to have early duck-lings must have their ducks laying by now. If the ducks are very good layers they will be in full lay long before jan-uary is over, but some ducks require and more publing than others. It is mut more publing than others. well worth public than others. It is well worth public trouble with them, however, for the early duck-ling is the only one that is worth market-ing. The eggs may be placed under hens if no incubator is handy, but in the hens in no incubator is handy, but in the case of setting hens in very cold weather it is better to keep them in a sheltered building with some kind of artificial heat. This is the only case where heat should be used for the poultry, but as the hen is setting without exercise and with a

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somewhat exhausted vitality it is some-times impossible for her to keep up the extra heat required from her while hatching. If the hen is poorly fed or is not sufficiently warm the chicks fre-quently are delicate, even if they do hatch. Of course, as soon as the eggs are alive they in some degree keep the hen warm, but it is less disappointing if the hen is kept warm by some artificial means

It is well worth while taking some trouble, for a small duckling will frequently bring as high a price early in the season as a large well-matured duckling will bring later on in the season. And remember that as your ducklings in-crease in age, your profits decrease in value. If you can sell a ducking at six weeks old your profits will be considerable, as a fuckling eats but little until it able, as a fucking eats but little until it is two or three weeks old. So that you need only feed heavily for about three weeks. But if on the contrary, your ducklings are not ready for market until they are nine or ten weeks old, your profits begin to fall off very rapidly. It is calculated that a duckling at eight weeks old has cost you 31 cents to rear weeks old has cost you 31 cents to rear, that is counting the cost of the parent birds the year round, feed, labor, heat-ing, etc. At ten weeks, Mr. Cyphers says, they cost 60 cents, so that it can very readily be seen that the expense might soon swallow up the profit unless the birds were matured and marketed so quickly as possible.

OCTAVIA ALLEN, Ganges, B.C.

# .18 Brussells Institute Meeting

Brusselis Institute Meeting Two very successful meetings of East Huron Farmers' Institute were held at Brussells on the afternoon and evening of the 10th. The afternoon meeting was devoted to preparation of the soil, by Jao. Campbell, of Woodville, and selection of seeds, by Voodville, and selection of seeds, by devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil of the soil of the soil of the soil of the devocation of the soil tened to by an audience who were there to learn, judging from the ques-tions asked and the discussions aris-ing. In the evening the hall was filling. In the evening the hall was hil-ed to hear the programme. Addresses by Mr. Pearce, "The Farmer's Lawn and Flower Garden," Mr. Campbell, "Farming as an Occupation: its Ad-vantages, etc." Music and singing helped to fill in a very profitable even-ing.--W. J. Stevenson.

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#### Prince Edward Island

The weather during the month of December was beautiful, not very cold, and with good sleighing, brought large crowds to the city. The merchants report trade very good.

### CHARLOTTETOWN MARKETS.

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Charlottetown on the 15th and 16th of January

On Dec. 23, Roper Bros., Royalty, re-eived by the S.S. Northumberland, seven head of Guernsey cattle and a

Clydesdale filly. She also brought a fine Shorthorn bull for D. C. McKinley, North River, five Lincoln sheep for R. Dund, Mt. Herbert, and a pair of Leicesters for Wm. Clarke, North Wilt-

McKinley Bros., North River, have purchased from S. Dickie, Central Onslow, N.S., two pure-bred Holstein cows

A great scarcity of bacon hogs is re-ported. We learn that there is 30 per cent. less hogs in this Island than a year ago, when there were 48,000. Farmers now readily receive \$6 a cwt.

Mr. J. Tweedy recently imported a pair of thoroughbred Cotswold lambs from the flock of one of Ontario's larg-

From the nock of one of one of one of one of one of the set sheep raisers. Dr. J. T. Jenkins shipped from Point Du Chene a carload of choice-bred Shorthorns and two horses. Four of the Shorthorns were prize-takers. The shipment went to the doctor's ranch in

The Hunter River starch factory is closed for the season. It is said that ed into starch, and over 15,000 dollars were expended for stock and labor. Mr. J. Bagnall supplied 1,800 bushels from 6 acres. The output of starch for this 6 acres. The output of starch for this year will be the largest in the history

year will be the largest in the nustory of the business. Mr. Robert Furness, superimen-tal poultry farm at Vernon River Bridge, intends experimenting on the different species of laying varieties of A. R. A. R .12

### **Ontario** Veterinary College

Ontario Veterinary College The following gentlemen, after pass-ing the Christians examination at its of the second second second second second diplomas: Thomas H. Boyd, London; Villam Bryce, Macdonald Hills, Sask.; Vinne Christian, Drayton; John A. Grodick, Tara; Samuel E. Cottrill, New Joordick, Dara; Samuel E. Cottrill, New Jowed, Ben, T. Gibson, Merriton; Willam R. H. Hunter, Warsaw, N.Y., U.S.; Willam H. James, Leasn inter, Stephen Knight, Winnieger, Mark, P. B. Labrose, Medicine Hat, Villam, R. H. Munter, Warsaw, N.Y., U.S.; Willam H. James, Leasn inter, Stephen Knight, Winnieger, Mark, F. B. Labrosev, St. Evgens, Tra-inter, St. Second, S. K. Stephen, Knight, Vinne, H. Markow, McGleile, France, Charles, H. Newton, Barrie, Fred C. Parton, Scotland; W. H. Sweeney, Dubuger, Jowa U.S.; James Whyte, Barrie, J. S.

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