

Mr. Browne gives the following as a last shot, but we fear it is late to influence the entry. January 2nd is positively the last day; if you have not entered, and this should reach you in time, send along your entries at once. Mr. Brown writes: "Just once more—a 'last shot'—before the opening of the greatest of all poultry exhibitions, 'The Ontario.' The prize lists were mailed yesterday (13th) to poultrymen on both sides of the international boundary, and a large percentage of the entry forms enclosed in them are expected to reappear with their entries before January 2nd, the closing date. Personally, I look forward to the best results from our Peterboro' show of any meeting yet held by us, and I would like to underline the word "meeting." The members of the most important poultry association of Canada have set apart Thursday afternoon, January 11th, for the instructive and intellectual side of this mammoth and still increasing industry, and specially invite the citizens of Peterboro' and neighborhood to turn out in large numbers and enjoy the sights of the show. There they will see the most nearly perfect specimens of all varieties of fowl, as near perfection as the ingenuity of man can bring them to by mating and care, also a display of dressed poultry such as they have never seen before—dressed for British markets—and can take advantage of the knowledge gained by the experience of a life time which will be imparted through speeches

and discussion at the annual meeting after routine business is disposed off. The Hon. John Dryden, Hon. Sidney Fisher, Prof. Gilbert and other prominent speakers will address the meeting.

"The pamphlets of essays, etc., will have been in the hands of the members for over two weeks, and each one has had the opportunity of forming an opinion of the ideas contained in the essays, his answer to the 'Question Drawer' and passing judgment on the motions outlined. So the writers may expect the 'maxims' of different opinions turned on their beliefs.

"The Local Committee are doing their part nobly and will entertain their visitors in a truly royal fashion. Let our motto be 'Every member be there.'

THOS. A. BROWN, Secy."

We asked Mr. John Ramsay to let us have a few lines telling how the prospects for the Owen Sound show were looking. Here is what he says:

"Your card to hand re show. We are going to have a bigger show than ever and it will be run as successfully as ever.

"We will have a big list of specials as usual. The boys are determined to make this show the best of all and I think we deserve the support of outside exhibitors. I would like to see some entries from Toronto as we very seldom get any now. I hope to be in Toronto next week. Wishing you the compliments of the season."

The Montreal Poultry Association has just issued the best premium list that has ever been sent out by them. The prize list has been largely increased in money prizes, and many additional varieties have been added. The pigeon men ought to be attracted in large numbers as the prize list is a particularly good one for them.

The prospects for a good show are particularly bright, and the Association is determined that the show will be conducted in such a manner as to give satisfaction to all if there is any possibility of doing so. Mr. Butterfield will be the poultry judge, and his name will be a guarantee of fair play and no favor. Judging will be by the score card.

Mr. W. C. Fyfe has given a silver cup for competition in barred Rocks. The breeder who wins this cup this year takes it away with him. There are no successive competitions about this cup. Every one will have a chance at it, and the competition ought to be hot. It requires eight birds to enter for it, four males and four females, either old or young birds.

There are also two other new cups. The association is giving a Wyandotte cup—the one that was up before being permanently won last year. A new cup, donated by ex-Ald. Cannoughton, is placed on Game Bantams. No doubt the competition for this cup will be "game" and will be one of the most interesting features of the show. A new departure is taken this year by making a class for Pit Games. The list of specials is large, and is well worth the careful attention and consideration of all poultrymen. Besides those on the list a number have come in since it was printed. Even the Rabbits, Hares and Pheasants have good specials on them.

The black Minorca Cup was not won last year, and the Minorca men are on the qui vive this year.

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