

H. Brackett. Self coloured Doe—1st, W. H. Brackett. Broken coloured Buck—1st, W. H. Brackett. Broken coloured Doe—1st, W. H. Brackett. Common Rabbit—1st, W. H. Brackett. Best Collection Rabbits, Special, W. H. Brackett.

GUINEA PIGS. Grey Squirrel and Chipmunk—1st, in each, a W. H. Brackett. Best Incubator, Artificial Mother and Water Fountain—1st, in each, Jacob Greaves. Case Stuffed Birds and Group Stuffed Animals—1st, in each, C. N. Brewster & Co. Original Painting—1st, Thos. W. Doan, Boston. Heavily Hen—1st, John S. Ives. Pheasant—1st, Jas. Geddes Day, Marshfield, Mass.

NEW HAMPSHIRE POULTRY EXHIBITION.

This Exhibition was held on March 20,—2nd, at Nashua. There were besides the regular entries for prize competition, also exhibited about fifty coops of fowls, which added much to the attraction of the exhibition.

PREMIUMS AWARDED.

BRAHMA. *Light*.—1st, S. S. James, Manchester, N. H.; 2nd, G. F. Andrews, Nashua, N. H.; 3rd, G. F. Brigham, Nashua, N. H. *Commended*—Joseph Danforth, Finsboro, Mass., Ruben Wheeler, Nashua, N. H. *Dark*.—1st, Henry Holt, Nashua, N. H.; 2nd, Harvey Tilton, Pepperhill, Mass.; 3rd, C. F. Holden, Hollis, N. H.

COCHINS. *Partridge*.—1st, W. H. Knowles, Nashua, N. H.; 2nd, W. H. Garmon, Manchester, N. H.; 3rd, L. G. Bartlett, Milford, N. H. *Buff*.—1st, C. C. Russell, Nashua, N. H.; 2nd, W. H. Knowles; 3rd, F. W. Moore, Nashua, N. H. *White*.—1st, P. W. Jones, Amherst, N. H.; 2nd, D. S. Gilmore, Manchester, N. H. *Black*.—1st, W. H. Knowles.

DOMINIQUE. —1st, A. Bead, Nashua, N. H.; 2nd, Frank Howard, Nashua.

PLYMOUTH ROCKS. —1st, O. A. Hamblett, Milford, N. H.; 2nd, Wm. Warren, Worcester, Mass.; 3rd, C. F. Holden.

BLACK SPANISH. —1st, W. T. Evans, Manchester, N. H.; 2nd, H. C. Dolloff, Nashua, N. H.; 3rd, L. G. Bartlett.

LEGHORN. *Brown*.—1st, 2nd, and 3rd, A. Bear. *White*.—1st, D. S. Gilmore; 2nd, G. Blanchard, Witten, N. H.

HAMBERGS. *Gold Spangled*.—1st, O. A. Hamblett. *Silver Spangled*.—1st and 3rd, V. C. Gilma; 2nd, O. A. Hamblett.

HOUDANS. —1st, G. Blanchard.

POULDS. *White*.—S. S. James. *Golden*.—1st, G. Blanchard.

GAMES. *Blue Reds*.—1st, B. F. Clark, Manchester; *Black Reds*.—1st, A. D. Warren, Worcester, Mass.; 2nd, B. F. Clark. *White Pile*.—1st, B. F. Clark.

BANTAMS. *Black Red*.—1st, Henry Tilton. *White*.—1st, W. G. Garmon. *Black*.—1st, C. A. Mason, Nashua, N. H.; 2nd and 3rd, W. T. Evans. *Gold Sebright*.—1st, Isaac Dean, Taunton, Mass.; 2nd, C. Blanchard; 3rd, C. A. Mason. *Silver Sebright*.—1st, Isaac Dean; 2nd, A. H. Douglass.

GUINEA FOWLS. —1st, A. Bead.

DUCKS. *Rouen*.—1st, A. Bead; 2nd, G. F. Clark, Boston; C. C. Russell. *Aylesbury*.—1st, G. F. Clark. *Muscovy*.—1st, Rouen Wheeler.

TURKEYS. *Bronze*.—1st, P. W. Jones; 2nd, C. F. Wright, Amherst, N. H. *White*.—1st, G. C. Campbell, Manchester, N. H. *Wild*.—1st, P. W. Jones.

MISCELLANEOUS. Fantail Pigeons, 1st, F. McGilvry, Nashua. *Pouter*.—1st, J. S. Danforth. *Rabbits*.—1st, Frank Howard. *Ferret*.—A. Bead. *Singing Birds*.—O. W. Young. *Three-Legged Hen*, A. Bead. *Exhibition Coop*, A. Bead. *Drinking Fountain*, A. H. News and A. Bead. *Dressed Poultry*.—P. W. Jones, 1st. Turkey and Chickens. Largest and best variety owned and entered by one person, 1st, A. Bead; 2nd, W. Knowles.

BREEDING GAME FOWLS.

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In crossing colors when the hens are of a stronger and harder color than the cock, most of the cock chickens will be of the hen's color, and most of the pullets of the cock's color; for instance in crossing Brown Red hens with a willow legged Black-breasted Red Cock, most of the cocks will be Brown Reds, and most of the pullets of the Partridge color. This however is not a good cross.

The different colors of eyes should never be crossed or bred together, as this produces mongrel or mixed colors as soon as any thing, even if the fowls are of the same color in plumage, but with different colored eyes. Red eyes should be bred with red eyes, black eyes with black eyes, and yellow eyes with yellow eyes. Bay eyes and light brown eyes are the mixtures, and sometimes by bad crossing some birds have one eye red and the other eye yellow.

Game fowls are in their prime at two years old, cocks as a rule declining after four years old, and hens declining after five years. The cocks wear out faster than the hens, the fecundity of the latter notwithstanding. Many birds are however quite healthy and vigorous at much greater ages. I have known a Game hen breed good chickens at ten years old, and many valuable brood cocks have been bred from at eight and nine years old—such old birds only lay about one clutch of eggs in May or June, and after laying about a dozen eggs cease laying altogether for the year, bringing up their own chickens well if put on their own eggs.

In choosing eggs for sitting they should be examined or looked through by means of a bright candlelight, and such as are clear to look through, with the air bladder plainly distinguishable at the large end of the egg, are fresh and good, while such as appear spotted and clouded are too stale.

Good stags and pullets will, of course, produce better chickens than any bad full-grown birds, but as a rule full-grown birds breed the best. In crossing and mixing colors in breeding, all the colors incline to breed back to the darker original colors (the Black-breasted Reds and Brown Reds). Duckwings always breeding back to the Black-