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## NOTES AND COMMENTS

### AN APOLOGY.

WE have been simply inundated with matter for REVIEW the past two months, and find it impossible to get all in this issue. Now that the shows are over we hope to be able to catch up all arrears and ask correspondents in the meantime to possess their souls in patience.

### PROF. MILLS' QUESTIONS.

Several replies have been received to the questions propounded in last issue by Prof. Mills of the Agricultural College Guelph, but we want many more, and so defer using those sent in until all are completed. We hope our readers will take this hint and let us have their views. We reprint below the questions at issue.

1. Should the largest prizes be given to those classes and varieties of fowl which admittedly possess the greatest value viewed from the standpoint of egg production and table use?
2. Should poultry judges be instructed and required to award prizes in the utilitarian classes on the basis of practical utility, laying comparatively little stress on fancy points in comb, etc?
3. Should buyers be urged to pay for eggs by the ounce or pound and thus encourage farmers and others to keep those breeds and varieties which produce the largest weight of eggs per bird in the year?
4. Should the Eastern Ontario and Ontario Associations be united on a basis similar to that on which the creamery and dairy associations propose uniting?

THE HON. SYDNEY FISHER,

Minister of Agriculture for the Dominion writes as follows in reply to a letter of ours accompanied by a copy of REVIEW

containing the account of his visit to Guelph.

Department of Agriculture, Canada.  
Ministers' Office.

Ottawa, Feb. 10th, 1897.

My Dear Sir,

I thank you for the copy of the "Poultry Review" which I shall gladly read. I am sorry that the extreme pressure of my business prevents my constantly referring to it, as I am sure I would get much valuable information about poultry from it, but I simply have not time.

Yours truly,

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The REVIEW lets no opportunity pass of bringing the great industry with which we are identified, before the notice of those who have the power to bring assistance to it.

### AMERICAN BIRDS IN ENGLAND.

It is a source of pleasure to us at all times to learn of the success of American bred birds in England, and Mr. James Forsyth is to be congratulated on the success recorded in appended communication:

Liverpool, Jan. 29th, 1897.

Mr. Forsyth,

Dear Sir,—You will remember me importing to England from you, just twelve months ago, a cock and two pullets of your buff Wyandottes. These were imported for my father-in-law, who wishes me to write you a few lines. With this stock of yours he has just finished the season here at Liverpool with a splendid record for the show season just passing away. He has taken the lead in this variety in England, Scotland and Wales, and has bred and sold more winner than all the other breeders of buff put together. At this Liverpool Show, which closes to-day and finishes, practically, the show season here in England, he has fairly swept the deck by taking 1st, 2nd and 3rd in both the classes among