

included under one or more of these heads. If we are to go for utility alone then let us destroy all but the one best butter and beef cow, the one best mutton and wool breed of sheep, and coming nearer, have but one, the best laying breed, and the one breed best for market in fowls, and we shall have reached the acme. Beauty of color, beauty of shape, beauty of feather are of no account! We are not all the same—it would be a queer world if we were—and what suits one man's inclinations will be distasteful to another.

MR. JACKSON'S LETTER,

is much on the same strain and we think our remarks fully reply to his contentions. Why continually harp on "the farmer?" We can't all be farmers, much as many of us would like to. The Government does not exist for "the farmer" alone, but for us all. Mr. Jackson, to be consistent, should not create new breeds of Bantams; according to him we have too many now, yet in the same issue in which his letter appears, on page 62, it will be found that he is the originator of a new variety of Bantam, and funny too, he seems proud of it. Fie! Mr. Jackson, to use your own words, we "wonder if the time will ever come when the farmer will branch into Bantam raising for the money that will be in it."

THIS IS ALL WE HAVE TO SAY

about it. Free scope has been afforded both sides and we give our individual opinion as it seems to us. With one more reference we close. Mr. Graham is in the nursery business and has kindly sent us a copy of his catalogue. (No charge for this, Mr. G.) We have no doubt his stock is of the best and satisfactory to his customers, but why does he offer such useless truck as Roses, Geraniums, Dahlias, Gladiolus, and so on. *You cant eat them.* To be consistent the same rule must be carried out in all departments of life as well as in that of poultry breeding. The breeder or fancier cultivates some special breed and attempts to perfect it: in shape and feather. His labor has a distinct market value—to get down to dollars and cents—amongst a certain community, and is paid for in often more than one way, monetarily and in the pleasure it affords him and others.

Remember that a stunted chick is always a cull, and you must keep them growing all the time if you want fine birds.

"Lice annually slaughters more chicks than all the other ailments combined." That is a true saying and ought to be pasted up in every hen house in bold type.

TORONTO POULTRY ASSOCIATION.

THE regular monthly meeting of the above Association was held on Thursday evening, May 11th. Owing to the unavoidable absence of the President, the chair was occupied by the 2nd vice-President, Mr. D. G. Davies.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. An account for rent was presented and ordered to be paid.

The prize-winners for the evening were as follows: R & S C brown Leghorns, cock, 1st J. Brown, 2nd A. H. Lake; hens, 1st and 3rd Lake. 2nd J. Brown. S & R C white Leghorns, hen, 1st, 2nd and 3rd J. Brown. Pekin Bants, cock, 1st C. S. Benson, 2nd J. Brown; hen, 1st Benson. Silver Sebright Bants, cock, 1st E. Brown; hens, 1st and 2nd E. Brown. Guinea Pigs, All to W. Fox. Rabbits. All to E. Brown. Mr. T. Woods judged the Leghorns; Mr. H. B. Donovan, the Bantams, Guinea Pigs and Rabbits. The meeting adjourned at 10 p.m. to meet again the last Thursday in August. Receipts \$3.45.

R. DURSTON, Secretary.

AN EXPLANATION.

Editor Review:

MR. Wm. Elliott has called my attention to imputations made against him that he purchased the Port Hope first prize bird. This trouble that has come upon Mr. Elliott is only a trifle when the facts are known. The bird Mr. Elliott purchased from me and which won first at Port Hope, was hatched from eggs purchased from Mr. Elliot; practically his own stock. He gave me the testimonial that appears in my advertisement through neighborly kindness as a guarantee to the public that my stock was not of inferior quality. I make this explanation, as I believe, under the circumstance it is Mr. Elliott's just due.

CHAS. H. NICHOLSON.

Oshawa, May 18th 1893.

Gasoline has been recommended as a better remedy for lice than coal oil.—Ex.

Gasoline is good, but we prefer coal oil, it seems to be more lasting in its effect. Either is good, and should be applied to all roosts at least twice a month during the summer months. Lice is the greatest profit consuming element with which the poultryman has to contend.—*Interstate Poultryman.*