

### INCUBATORS AT THE INDUSTRIAL.

THE Editor has asked that this discussion close, but in justice to the writer he must insert this and then I am through. I am not going to criticise Mr. Meyer's letter in October REVIEW because it is a waste of time, but I wish Mr. Meyer to stick to facts and not endeavor to mislead the public. In speaking of the eggs that he hatched at the Industrial Exhibition he says, "They were so fertile that while I wanted 200 eggs for this contest I succeeded in getting only 168."

Why did Mr. Meyer not tell the readers of the REVIEW that he used 300 eggs to start with for this contest and his machine only succeeded in bringing 168 of them to the stage likely to produce chicks. Mr. Meyer made the statement in the show room that he used 300 eggs for this contest, of this I am prepared to make an affidavit. He may have made the statement inadvertently but he said this nevertheless, 137 chickens from 300 eggs is in my opinion, nothing to shout about, the poorest hatch reported last season by my customers is very much better.

Now in conclusion I wish to say that I am tired of Incubator contests on paper, but if Mr. Meyer thinks his machine can beat the Toronto in three out of five hatches with the same eggs, machines to be under lock and key and only accessible to the operator once in twelve hours, then I am prepared to meet him in such a contest either for fun or money, contest to take place neither in Toronto or Kossuth as Mr. Meyer seems to think that I have some sort of pull in Toronto, and I certainly would not go to a place like Kossuth but will be willing to compete against him in any fair sized city where there is a chance of advertising the machines, such places as Hamilton, London, Montreal, Ottawa, or any good sized place. Apologizing for taking up so much of your valuable space.

Yours truly,

T. A. WILLITS.

Toronto, Oct. 24, 1896.

### A SHOW IN GALT.

THE local Club of this town intends holding an exhibition on the 19th, 20th and 21st of Jan. next, and as it is one of the largest in members of the Associations of the Dominion and comprising the leading poultry men of the district we wish the fact to be well known throughout the country. Every arrangement is now being made which will ensure a most successful exhibition. Nothing will be overlooked or expense spared to make the occasion a record

breaker. The officers trust that those interested in poultry breeding will give their support to the affair so that both pleasure and profit may be the result.

JOS. POWLEY, Sec'y.

Galt, Oct. 20, 1896.

### SHERBROOKE FAIR.

*Editor Review :*

IN looking over the report for the Sherbrooke exhibition in your valuable journal we find that in black or brown red Game Bantams your report reads 2nd pullet Gray & Baldwin it should be 1st and 2nd, 3rd U. Bonneville. And also in duckwing Game Bantams your report reads 1st cock, hen, cockerel and pullet Reid. Mr. Reid does not show Game Bantams at all. It should read Gray & Baldwin 1st cock, hen, cockerel and pullet. Will you kindly correct them in your next issue, thanking you for your last reports,

We remain,

Yours truly,

GRAY & BALDWIN.

Ottawa, Oct. 20th, 1896.

[On referring to copy of list sent us we find the error was not ours. Ed.]

### FOWLS, CARE AND FEEDING.

BY PROF. G. C. WATSON, OF THE U. S. DEPARTMENT  
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*(Continued.)*

#### DUST BOXES.

It is necessary to provide dust boxes for the fowls during the winter months if they are to be kept free from lice. If the soil in the yards is naturally dry and porous, abundant opportunities will be had for dust baths during the warm summer months, but during the late fall, winter, and early spring some artificial provision must be made. A comparatively small box will answer the purpose if the attendant is willing to give a little attention to it each day. These boxes should be placed so that they will receive some sunshine on each bright day, and be kept well filled with loose fine earth. Road dust procured during the hot, dry months of July and August from much-travelled roads has no superior for this purpose. Probably there is no way in which the poultry man can better combat the body louse than by providing dust boxes for his fowls.

#### YARDS OR PARKS.

Where fowls are kept in confinement it will be found best