

male or female, by S. W. Doubleday ; \$10 best Game Bantam, duckwing, G. or S., male or female, A. F. Blunck ; \$5 best exhibit of black red Bantams, shown together, any age, by A. A. Parker ; \$5 best black red Game Bantam, female any age, A. A. Parker ; \$5 best red pyle Game Bantam, male or female, by B. C. Thornton.

All fanciers of standard Games and Game Bantams are invited to join the club and compete for the above specials. Applications for membership must be sent to the Secretary before December 30, 1894, with initiation fee, \$1 and dues for 1895 \$2.

Any member of the club wishing to offer a special will kindly send it in without delay.

S. W. DOUBLEDAY, Secretary,
44 Wall St., New York.

HOT AFTER THE DEAD BEATS.

ON NOV. 22d the R. P. J. received the following communication from one of its friends and advertisers, which explains itself :

"A ROGUE."

Editor *Reliable Poultry Journal*.

Look out for T. R. Bell, manager of the Sauk Rapids Poultry Yards, Sauk Rapids, Minn. On Oct. 23 we sent T. R. Bell, of Sauk Rapids, Minn., \$20, being the amount asked from us through correspondence for thirteen chicks. This money was sent by post office money order, since which time we have heard no more of T. R. Bell. The postmaster of Sauk Rapids wrote us stating that he was paid his money the day order arrived at the office, and that we "might possibly get our stock," but that his reputation was bad. Look out for him. Don't send him a dollar, or I'll bet you another one you'll get the worst of it. We can not induce him to even answer our letters, though we have sent him addressed and stamped envelopes. He advertises in the *Poultry Inter-Ocean*, *Midland Poultry Journal* and got one adv. in the R. P. J. Look out for him.

G. W. MILLER & Co.

It will thus be seen that G. W. Miller & Co. are hot after the frauds in the poultry and poultry supply business, and they deserve the thanks of the fraternity and of the public at large.

The R. P. J. has had some little experience with this man Bell, the facts of which we think can now in justice be made public. In August he sent in a six-inch adv. for insertion one year. It got into the September and October issues. He then increased his space to nine inches and we had his big adv. in type for the November issue when the *Western Poultry Journal*, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, kindly wrote us as

follows : "We have found T. R. Bell, of Sauk Rapids, Minn., unworthy to be in a paper of your character. We have letters on file to this effect that we can send you if you desire. We have found it impossible to collect what he owes us by any business method."

We take this opportunity to thank Mr. Richards, editor of the *Western Poultry Journal*, for the information given, and beg leave to inform our readers that the W. P. Journal is another publication that will not knowingly sell space to a questionable advertiser. We trust that not many of the R. P. J.'s readers have been caught to their disadvantage in this case. *The time will surely come*, and we hope speedily, when all journals rightly conducted will, in the case of strangers who apply for advertising space, require proper reference. *The R.P.J. proposes to do this hereafter.*

It is some consolation for a subscriber who has been swindled to have the swindler exposed, but it would be money in his pocket if the spurious ad had not been allowed to get into the columns of his paper. This is a somewhat radical position to take, but it appears to us to be the only right and logical one, and we therefore propose to adopt and follow it.

P. S.—Another journal, to which the R. P. J. owes thanks for services rendered it in shutting out questionable advertisers, is *Poultry Monthly*, published at Albany, N.Y.—*Reliable Poultry Journal*.

AMERICAN COCHIN BANTAM CLUB.

THE American Cochin Bantam Club held its annual meeting in Music Hall, Providence, R.I., Dec. 13, at 7.30 p.m. The old board of officers were unanimously re-elected : President, T. H. Adams ; vice-presidents, D. A. Nichols, P. Williams ; directors, W. B. Atherton, J. H. Seeley, C. H. Jenks, W. M. Hughes, R. G. Buffinton. Several new members were voted in.

Voted that the club offer a silver cup, value \$5, for the best collection of buff, black and white Cochin Bantams at their next exhibition, to be competed for by members only. F. B. Zimmer was chosen judge for the club.

The club is to publish a catalogue for the benefit of its members, containing essays on the breeds and members' advertisements.

H. S. BALL, *Sec'y. Treas.*

Mr. T. K. Bennett will judge Games and Game Bantams at the New York show.

Notice is given for the calling of a meeting of those interested in the old Dominiques, at Canastota, N.Y., January 24, during the holding of the show there. It is hoped a Club can be formed.