

around which large numbers of white geese are bred and reared. The best of the English birds originally came from Holland, which has thus been the country whence we have derived several varieties of poultry. It has also been pointed out that the feathers of the Embden are more valuable than those of the Toulouse, being pure white, and where there are enough birds bred to make the feathers a consideration, this is one of the points to be considered. The flesh is about equal in quality in both breeds.—STEPHEN BEALE, in *the Country Gentleman*.

A WALK ROUND THE SHOW ROOM.

Editor Review :—

I have come again ; so have our exhibitions and gone again. Entering the door, the first one you meet is an old fellow-fancier busily engaged in talking and eyeing the birds. You walk on a short distance and you meet a disappointed exhibitor, *sure to do* ; exhibitions are not *complete* without them. This, anything but amiable gentleman, is probably pining over "what he should have won." Again you stroll on a short distance and you fall into a crowd of men, foremost among whom is "the man who never exhibits," and who has better birds at home. This man again is a necessity to the welfare of the show. Again you encounter an individual meditating in solitude ; this, Mr. Editor, is the gentleman who "left his best birds at home, wouldn't trust them in a show for fear of them being poisoned or stolen ;" yea, verily, fanciers are of numberless species. Next you meet a couple of men pointing suspiciously at a certain bird or birds. "They were lent," or "got up" for the show as the case may be ; all these, Mr. Editor, are strange feelings, which have clung to Poultry shows from time unmemorial ; and can only be appreciated in the show room. Several glowing state-

ments in your journal for October, will I think rise the fanciers to their senses.

Yours truly,

THOMAS HARDING,
West Toronto Junction.

October 7th, 1888.

TORONTO POULTRY, PIGEON AND PET STOCK ASSOCIATION.

The meeting of the above association was held in their new hall, Richmond street west, with a good attendance.

It was agreed by the members present that all who join our association for the last three months of the year, are made members for the ensuing year. The result was that two members joined, and several promised for our next meeting.

The pleasant feature of our next meeting is that MR. BARBER, the winner of the silver cup, presented to the Industrial by this association, for the best B. B. Game Cockerel, bred by the owner, is to be presented with the cup by our President, and the bird to be at the meeting for criticism.

E. J. OTTER,
Secretary.

THE EASTERN ONTARIO POULTRY, PIGEON AND PET STOCK ASSOCIATION.

An Ottawa local paper says:—The first regular meeting of the E. O. P. & P. S. A under the newly elected Board of Management, was held last evening in CHIEF McVEITY'S office. Quite a number of enthusiastic fanciers were present and the general opinion expressed was that the next exhibition of poultry and pets, to be held in this city, Feb. 6 to 12, 1889, will be the best ever seen in Eastern Ontario. The auditors report was read, showing the resources to be about \$350 in excess of all liabilities. This is indeed a fair showing, all things considered, and the directorate are entitled to the congratulations of all lovers of fine fowls, which, by the

way, includes a large part of our population.

The prize list for the coming exhibition is now being prepared. Many valuable specials have been contributed by the members and others, and the secretary, MR. ALFRED GEDDES, will be pleased to acknowledge the receipt of cash or goods from anyone desiring to contribute towards the success of the coming show. There is no doubt but this organization is fast becoming one of our popular institutions, and deserves to meet with every encouragement.

A pleasant episode in connection with last night's meeting was the presentation of a beautiful watch and chain to the retiring secretary, MR. P. G. KEYES, who assumes the presidency for the current year. The presentation was made in few well chosen remarks by MR. H. S. PERLEY on behalf of the members comprising the association. MR. KEYES replied thanking the donors for their kind expressions of good feeling which he valued quite as much as the handsome time-piece.

The watch bears the following inscription : "Presented to P. G. KEYES by the members of the E. O. P. and P. S. A. Ottawa, 1888," and is one of CHARLIE ADDISON'S best.

NO SHOW IN TORONTO.

At a combined meeting of the Toronto Poultry Association and the Toronto Bantam, Pigeon and Pet Stock Club, it was decided after a full discussion of the subject, that, under existing circumstances, it would be unwise to hold a show next winter, and the members present pledged themselves to support, to the best of their ability, the Ontario Association's show at St. Catharines.

Messrs. BONNICK and THOMPSON & SON brought black-red chicks, Fox Turbits and MYLES' Antwerps for criticism.