

PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION, QUEBEC.

(From our own Correspondent.)

GRAVE doubts were entertained during the summer whether the exhibition would be held or not. So many different interests had to be considered and the great bug-bear of fear of success made a great many hang back, who now it is over, are very glad that it was held, and that such crowds of people were attracted to Quebec. We are glad to chronicle that although many departments were backward the poultry section was ready before the opening and no hitch would have occurred if it had not been that hundreds of birds were entered at the last moment. The Exhibition Committee were wise in their selection of a Superintendent for the Poultry department but many of them had visited the exhibition last year in Montreal and had seen the success of the Poultry department there, so they persuaded Mr. Ulley to leave his business in Montreal and go to Quebec and take charge. That he succeeded is beyond doubt, and his department was the best managed in the exhibition. The show was held from Monday, the 10th of September to noon on Saturday, the 15th. Every bird was in the hands of the express companies on Saturday evening. It was the largest poultry show ever seen in the city of Quebec, and was a revelation to thousands who had never seen anything like it in their lives. The entries of all kinds, including pigeons, numbered close on to 1500. The exhibitors came from all parts of the Province as well as from Ontario. Among the prominent exhibitors were the following:—Oldrieve & Nicol, of Kingston, with over 100 entries; C. J. Daniels, of Toronto, with over 70; W. H. Osborne, of Brockville, with over 50; W. H. Read, of Kingston, over 50, and many others. Such well known exhibitors from Montreal as T. Hall, J. Virtue, Wm. Cox, F. W. Molson, L. Huot, V. Fortier and A. Drummond, as well as Guy Carr from Compton and U. Bonneville of Danville, were some of the exhibitors in the Province of Quebec.

The old veteran Mr. I. K. Felch was brought on to judge the poultry, and he is just as full of vigor and fire as ever putting in a day's work that few would attempt to follow. Mr. James Ainslie of Montreal judged the pigeons. The leading varieties that were particularly strong and well represented were Games, Bants, Wyandottes and Plymouth Rocks. The young birds were remarkably well forward hardly a bird but was in fit shape to be scored.

His Excellency the Governor General and Lady Aberdeen paid a visit to the poultry department on Tuesday

afternoon and they complimented the Superintendent on the fine show. They were particularly interested in the display of incubators and brooders.

More birds were sold at this Exhibition than at any other show held in this Province many exhibitors having positively to refuse to let their birds go. The interest that was created in poultry at this show is likely to be of the greatest advantage to the Province, and must have gladdened the heart of that life-long fancier High Constable Gale of Quebec, who was present and helped all he could. Now is the time for a long pull and a strong pull altogether from all the fanciers and organize for a Provincial Society.

INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION, TORONTO.

WHAT was about the best show yet held by this Association passed off quietly and with little grumbling on the part of exhibitors. The judging hung on too long and in Mr. Butterfield's classes was done to intermittently. The awards were well taken and little "kicking" indulged in. Mr. Daniels, with his assistants, had everything in apple-pie order and the feeding and watering was well looked after. What a show it would be if each bird were penned on a level in one of "Spratts" or similar coops. The weather was pleasant, not too hot, and visitors numerous. Sales were good and elsewhere we give a list of those that came under our notice. Big prices did not prevail. We never saw old birds in such good trim at this time of year, and as far as our own exhibits are concerned we may say that during the show some actually improved in condition which speaks worlds for the care bestowed on them.

BRAHMAS, Light—First cock a big one in nice shape, good dark tail, comb a bit high at back; second not yet fit, neat head points; third excellent legs, good blocky body, not yet moulted out. First hen a fine one in nice trim, nice hackle, neat head points, good legs and toes; second a bit smaller but a good one, grand shape of body; third good all round. First cockerel now an easy win, a big one with stout, good colored legs, now at his best; second, neat head and comb, looks yet a bit lanky and weak in body; third, out of shape. First pullet a beauty, very fit; second nice, smaller; third good. We don't like this plan of putting two pullets and a cockerel in one pen, cannot always tell the winners as in the case of second and third here.

BRAHMAS, Darks, not as large classes as we have seen. First and second both cocks and hens shown by the one firm and stand well out from the rest and the same may indeed be said of the winning chicks; second cockerel ap-