

tant. A box of dry goods was charged more than a box of fowls of the same size.

Mr. Peck said that the cases were not alike. The dry goods might be worth six hundred dollars, the fowls perhaps ten cents per pound.

Mr. Halsted thought the shipping coop should be made lighter if rates were to be reduced. The rates for shipping fowls vary scandalously, and he gave an instance: \$2.70, \$3.75, 2.00 were charged respectfully for shipments identical in weight and character, to and from the same point.

A communication from G. O. Brown, on Sultans, was read.

Mr. Hudson offered a resolution respecting games, which was referred to the committee upon disqualifications.

Mr. Felch offered a resolution respecting the Standard of Black Hamburgs, Creve-cours and La Fleche. Referred.

Mr. Halsted moved that the action taken on clause No. 3, at the previous meeting of the A. P. A., be reconsidered, and the disqualifying clause on Brown Leghorns, be amended by the insertion of the following:

"White feathers—feathers which are tipped an inch or more with white in any part of the plumage. Small tips of white or gray to be cut severely as defects." Carried.

Mr. Hudson offered the following: *Resolved*, that Silver Duckwings and White Pile Games and Game Bantams be stricken from the *Standard*. Laid over.

Communication from Mr. Newell embodying a resolution in favor of an incorporation of the association by act of Congress. Referred.

Communication from Mr. V. N. Blakeslee respecting Colored Dorkings. Referred.

At the evening session, a communication from ex-secretary J. Y. Bicknell read, conveying his good wishes, and regretting his inability to be present.

Resolution was offered by I. K. Felch, to the effect that the constitution be amended to read so that absent members may have an opportunity to vote upon proposed changes in the *Standard*.

The resolution was earnestly but temperately discussed, and after having been rejected almost unanimously on an informal ballot, was withdrawn by the mover.

A communication from N. D. Forbes, respecting the rose-comb White Leghorns, accompanied by a petition for their admission to the *Standard*, was read, which caused an animated discussion, and occupied the attention of the association during a considerable portion of the evening.

Several speakers conjectured that the rose-combs were engrafted on the variety by an admixture of Hamburg blood.

Mr. Stoddard said that they were pure and undiluted White Leghorns, and that in Italy both Rose and Single-combed fowls were common, and new importations were apt to throw a proportion of Rose-combs in this country for several generations.

It was afterwards moved that the matter be referred to a committee to investigate and report at the next regular meeting. The chair announced the following committee: Philander Williams, Taunton, Mass.; I. K. Felch, Natick, Mass.; C. H. Crosby, Danbury, Conn.

Mr. Peck offered the following:

Resolved that wild Canada geese be admitted to the American Standard of Excellence, and that the president appoint a committee to report a Standard at the next meeting of the A. P. A. on Wild Canada Geese. Laid over till next annual meeting.

Mr. Hudson offered the following:

Resolved, that Dominique Leghorns, Rumpless and Frizzlies be removed from the *Standard*. Laid over till next annual meeting.

Mr. Halsted offered the following:

Resolved: that the A. P. A. recommend that our judges score every bird which, in his judgment, will score above 85 points, and that the Poultry Associations so instruct their judges to do, and that score cards are placed upon all coops so judged. Carried.

The views of the different members were expressed as to the next place of meeting, and Washington City was mentioned most prominently. The matter was placed in the hands of the executive committee to be decided later. After passing resolutions of thanks to President Sweet for his untiring devotion and impartial efforts in the interests of the society, also to the Indiana State Association, the Indianapolis Press, the Board of Trade and the proprietors of the Grand Hotel, all for courtesies extended, the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

Norfolk Poultry Association's Show.

The first annual show of the above association was held in Black's Opera House, Simcoe, on Wednesday and Thursday, the 24th and 25th of March. The exhibition was, in every respect, a decided success, and in excellence the fowls shown were fully up to those at the Provincial Exhibition.

In addition to the many other attractions offered to the gaze of the public was a cage containing what purported to be, as the ticket denoted, an "African Canary," which to the uninitiated, proved a source of a good deal of speculation as to whether it was a real black canary—a rare curiosity, by-the-way—or a crow. It was not a singer, however, as an unfortunate squawk, in regular crow style, too soon proved its identity. The owner, who was as black as the bird itself, could not give any information as to its origin, having, as he stated, mislaid the pedigree.

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