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NOTES AND COMMENTS

WHAT THE REVIEW WOULD LIKE TO SEE.

New subscribers,
By the thousand.
Old subscribers,
To pay up promptly.
A poultry association in every city, town and village in Canada
A CANADIAN NATIONAL POULTRY ASSOCIATION,
Composed of delegates from the local associations.
A grand annual conference,
To consider the interests of the fraternity at large,
And to devise means for the advancement of the poultry interests.
The said National Association
To be largely represented,
At the meetings of the American Poultry Association,
And the two to work together
In union and brotherhood.

WHAT WE MAY EXPECT.

The Ontario Poultry Association to wipe off their debt this winter,
And hand the books over to their successors with a clean sheet.
The REVIEW to be well represented at the conference of the American Poultry Association,
And to have a full report of the proceedings.
Numerous changes in the *Standard*,
At which there are sure to be numerous "kickers."
Symmetry not to go this time,
But to be thoroughly well discussed.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL—Lots of eggs, lots of chicks, lots of prize winners and lots of sales.

The REVIEW has now attained its eleventh birthday and we think shows a healthy state of existence. This year

we hope to greatly add to its usefulness and if supported in a hearty manner, which we have no doubt will be the case, will place it where it ought to be, *on top*. Help us in our efforts both with your support and influence, and also with your experience, and we promise the sequel shall prove interesting and profitable to you.

The REVIEW each month for 1888, will contain one or more portraits of English prize winners, taken from life.

The St. Catharines executive can give several pointers to show officials, which, though minute in themselves, are worthy of notice. For instance, as each bird is brought up for scoring a metal numbered tag is wired to the foot of each specimen; and a like number written on the score card. This, to absentee exhibitors, who have several birds of one kind on exhibition, shows without any chance of mistake, the score of each bird. Again, the judges' attendant is notified when a bird is needed by the sounding of a gong, thus doing away with unnecessary shouting and consequent confusion. When we left the show-room one of the Committee was busy arranging a *revolving* coop for the judges' use. Any wild birds, such as Leghorns, etc., are placed in this, and the judge, instead of continually "poking up the animals with a long pole," can just give the coop a turn and "there you are." We

commend these little "notions" to the attention of show committees.

We learn the Orangeville fanciers purpose holding a show during the early part of February, but up to the present we have received no official intimation of such being the case.

The Rochester Association extends a cordial invitation to Canadian exhibitors. Their prize list is a good one.

The American Columbarian Society will hold their Annual Meeting at Rochester, during their exhibition, February 1st to 9th.

The dates for the Ontario Poultry Associations' Show, at London, are on January 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th, not as appeared in their advertisement last month. They look for a "Jumbo" this time.

It has been decided to hold the Provincial Exhibition of 1888 in Kingston, from September 10th to 15th.

The question has often been asked us, "does it stimulate hens to lay by having a male bird in the pen?" To this we answer most emphatically *no*. Unless the eggs are required for hatch-