

RULES AND PRIZE LIST
FOR THE
THIRD EXHIBITION
OF THE
NOVA SCOTIA

Poultry and Floricultural Association,

To be held in the New Masonic Hall,
Halifax, on Tuesday, Wednesday and
Thursday, 25th, 26th and 27th Feb'y,
1879.

The premiums of this Association are open to
the world,—the best specimens to win.

RULE 1. The term "exhibit" or
"specimen" implies anything entered
for competition, or exhibition.

2. All exhibits must be entered with
the secretary, R. J. Wilson, P. O. box
590, Halifax, or with the treasurer, A.
Mackinlay, 137 Granville Street, Hal-
ifax, at least one week previous to the
exhibition, namely, not later than Tues-
day, 18th February, and exhibitors fail-
ing to forward their entry papers by that
date will not be allowed to compete for
prizes. Entry papers will be supplied to
intending exhibitors by the secretary or
treasurer.

3. In order to identify the coops, &c.,
after the prizes are awarded, an entry or
coop ticket, with a number, but no ex-
hibitor's name, will, on receipt of the
entry paper properly filled up, be given
by the secretary for each exhibit, which
ticket must be attached by the exhibitor
to his coop or cage before delivery at
the hall.

Exhibitors must be careful to have
specimens correctly named in their entry
papers, as any error in this respect will
be fatal to successful competition.

4. The premiums offered at this exhi-
bition are of two classes—"regular,"
offered by the Association; and "special,"
offered by individuals.

The entries for the regular premiums
for poultry must be in pairs, one male
and one female.—Entry fee, 50 cents.

Pigeons, in pairs, " " 25 "
Cage birds, as single birds, Entry fee
15 cents.

Specimens entered for the regular pre-
miums compete also for the special pre-
miums for pairs and single specimens,
without special entry, or additional entry
fee.

Single specimens entered for the spe-
cial premiums only, will be charged an
entry fee of 25 cents.

The collections of poultry for which
special premiums are offered, must con-
sist of a cock and not less than four
hens.—Entry fee, 50 cents.

A pair in a collection may compete for
the regular pair premium, provided the

cock and hen, competing as a pair, be
separated from the others by a partition
in the same coop, and an additional
entry fee paid for the pair—25 cents.

With the exception of the collections
above referred to, each pair must be in a
separate coop.

No entry fee will be charged on speci-
mens entered for exhibition, but not for
competition. Such entries will be
marked "for exhibition only" on the
coop ticket.

The entry fees must accompany the
entry paper.

Exhibitors paying entry fees to the
amount of \$1.50 will be entitled to a
season ticket, not transferable.

Members have the privilege of exhibit-
ing free.

5. All specimens must be entered in
the name of the actual owner.

Any attempt to evade this rule, as in
borrowing one or more specimens of a
coop, or in buying with the understand-
ing that the specimens shall be returned
after the exhibition, or that they shall be
returned unless sold, or on any other con-
dition, will exclude all coops entered by
the offending party if discovered in
time, and, if not, the premiums shall be
withheld.

6. Specimens must be exhibited in
attractive and convenient coops or cages.

Coops must be open only at the front,
which must be of wire or of twine net-
ting. They must be so constructed as to
be easily opened by the judges, and must
be furnished with proper appliances for
food and water. For convenience and
uniformity of arrangement, they must be
of the following dimensions, outside
measurement:—2½ ft. high, 2 ft. deep,
2½ to 3½ ft. long. For bantams and
pigeons, 19 inches high, 12 inches deep,
and 18 to 28 inches long. For turkeys
and geese, 3 ft. high, 2½ ft. deep, and 3
to 3½ ft. long.

The length of each coop must be
stated on the entry papers.

7. All specimens must be exhibited in
their natural condition, except Games
and Game Bantams, which may be
dubbed or trimmed in the ordinary man-
ner.

Pulling foul feathers, coloring, shap-
ing spurs, inserting or splicing a feather,
and similar practices, are prohibited.
Any violation of this rule will incur the
penalties named in rule 5.

8. The hall will be open for the recep-
tion of specimens on Monday, the 24th
day of February, at 9 o'clock, a. m.
Those not received by 9 o'clock, p. m.,
will be debarred from competition, unless
it is shown that delay is unavoidable, in
which case, by special permission of the
committee, they may be delivered at the
hall previous to 9 o'clock, a. m., on Tues-
day, the 25th.

No person, except those engaged in
making arrangements, will be admitted
previous to the opening of the exhibi-
tion.

9. It will not be necessary for exhi-
bitors to accompany their specimens,
which may be sent direct to the hall,
where they will be received, and properly
cared for by the committee, during the
exhibition, and at its close will be de-
livered at the hall to order or by direc-
tion of the owners.

10. All expenses of transportation to
and from the hall must be borne by the
exhibitors.

11. The committee reserve the right
to reject any specimens which they may
consider unworthy or unfit for exhibi-
tion. All exhibits shall be under their
sole control, and none can be removed
before the close of the exhibition with-
out their permission.

12. Any specimens showing symp-
toms of disease must be removed from
the hall by the exhibitor, or at his ex-
pense and risk if he be absent.

13. Although every care will be taken,
the Association will not be responsible for
loss or damage that may occur during the
exhibition.

14. Competent judges will be em-
ployed to make the awards; their de-
cision shall be final, and no protest will
be entertained, except in case of evidence
of fraud, or of error other than of judg-
ment. No judge shall be a competitor in
a variety where his decision is to be
given. Judges must not let their awards
be known, except through the secretary.

15. Judges are empowered to with-
hold a prize, should they think the com-
peting specimens unworthy of it.

16. No second prize will be awarded
in any class, unless there are three com-
petitors in the class.

17. In the event of receipts being in-
sufficient to cover expenditure, the asso-
ciation prizes will be paid *pro rata*.

18. The revised "American Standard
of Excellence" will be the guide of the
judges in all varieties described therein.

19. The judges will meet at 10 o'clock,
a. m., on Tuesday, and proceed with
their work of determining prizes, after
which they will hand their books to the
Secretary, and obtain and place the prize
tickets before the opening of the exhibi-
tion to the public at 2 o'clock.

20. Any person interfering with, or
attempting to influence the decision of
the judges by his presence or remarks,
shall forfeit all right to any premiums to
which he might otherwise be entitled.

21. The treasurer will commence to
pay the premiums on Thursday, the last
day of the exhibition, at 10 o'clock, a. m.,
at the hall. Prizes not drawn within
one month will be forfeited.