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A number of communications crowded out.

W. H. Crowie has removed from Toronto to St. Catharines.

Mr. J. Y. Bicknell's article on Javas did not reach us until too late for this issue. It will appear next month.

**A CONUNDRUM.**—If the last show of the Poultry Association of Ontario was a "splendid success in every particular, and especially in the financial part," what were the first two shows of the society, held in Guelph in 1879 and 1880?

Mr. John James, treasurer of the P. A. of Ont., requests us to inform the successful exhibitors at the late show who have not yet received their winnings, the reason is that their addresses are not known to him. Those having claims should send him their addresses at once.

The present season, although rather backward, appears to have been much more favorable than last for successful hatching. Many of the fanciers have large flocks well grown, and are already picking out the winners for the next fall and winter. Those who are not so well off in this particular need not be discouraged, as the majority of high scoring birds are hatched in May and June.

Several complaints have reached us that more than the proposed 25 per cent. has been deducted from the winnings of exhibitors at the late show of the P. A. of Ont. In several cases that have come under our observation the deduction has exceeded 31 per cent. Another cause of complaint is that the treasurer has paid with his private cheque, which, when presented outside the city, necessitated a further loss of 25 cents to the exhibitor. We hope in future that the interests of exhibitors will receive more consideration than they have in the management of the late show.

W. F. James, Sherbrooke, P. Q., has shipped several coops of Plymouth Rocks to England, and they have given excellent satisfaction, as letters before us from the purchasers show.

L. Whiting, St. Catharines, writes: I have two hens that have hatched 75 chicks, 72 of them now living. I set them three times each, and raised the chicks under a brooder. I want to see the incubator that can beat this.

Can you inform me, through the next issue of REVIEW, whether or not Toulouse geese hatch?—D. P. N., Bowmanville. Yes, and are generally credited with being good hatchers.

I have a pair of Silver Duckwing bantams, last year's hatch, which I think are pretty small. The cock weighs 14 ounces, and the hen 11½. Can any one beat that.—Chas. Massié, Port Hope, Ont.

Of course every person has his favorite breed, and the Plymouth Rock is mine. One of my Plymouth Rock-hens hatched a clutch of chickens on April 7th, and commenced laying on April 30th. If any of your Langshan or Wyandotte friends can beat this, they have then, I believe, a fowl that excels the Plymouth Rock.—A. W. B., Toronto.

## Editor Review.

I purchased last fall a trio of Rouen ducks (a drake and two ducks). They commenced to lay April 1st. One lays a white egg and the other a dark green. The ducks are considered of a good breed. Will you let me know the proper color of thorough-bred Rouen duck eggs, and oblige.

W. D. S.

Lakefield, April 18th, 1884.

Ans.—As the eggs of all varieties of our domestic ducks have a decidedly greenish tinge. As a rule, it is no indication of impurity of the stock that one should lay white eggs. In Asiatic fowls the difference in the color of the eggs is frequently very marked, and we see no reason why the same variety should not appear in the eggs of ducks. The cause of the difference we have never heard clearly explained.

## Where is the Justice in it?

### Editor Review.

A few days since I received a card from the late Secretary of the Poultry Association of Ontario, informing me that by order of the Directors, 25 per cent. of the prize money won at the late show, in January 1884, will be withheld to make up a deficiency incurred in 1883. I would like to ask what on earth have I to do with the transactions of the Poultry Association of Ontario in 1883, as I neither attended the show, nor was I an exhibitor? This certainly is "robbing Peter to pay Paul." I would ask any fair minded man whether it is fair play or not? It will be difficult to convince the exhibitors of 1883 that it is. I don't expect the exhibitors of 1884 will object. Such short-sighted management—or mismanagement—will certainly injure the society. Each year should bear its own loss, if loss there is, and when a surplus is the result of a show, let it be applied to clear off the oldest debt.

JAMES M. CARSON.

Orangeville, May 1st, 1884.