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## EDITORIHL.

 PARTY has just, forwarded a sample of comb for our inspection, This comb has been used as irood comb for some time. The forwarder imagines that the bees build the combs in two separate parts, or rather with double septums. Perhaps it would be better described by saying a slight foundation of wax between the cells on either side which could be separated when the comb was warm.We presume what lec our friend to imagine that was the fact was that the combs had been used for breeding, so long that the cocoons in the cells had become quite thick and strong. By warming the comb, to say $110^{\circ}$; the cocoons in the cells were sufficiently
strong to allow parting the comb in the centre, leaving the cells on one side. Almost full sheets of comb appear with cells only on the one side.
Quite large sheets of old wax can be parted in this way by warming them in the sun or by the fire and we have frequently done it in our various experiments in years gone by. Our friend says one of his neighbors claims that it is caused by the bees building their comb on foundation and not using the foundation except as a wall to build on. This however is a great mistake as it is the cocoons that caused the separation of the comb in question forwarded to us as a proot of this statement. Single cells mav be taken out in their natural shape, each cell perfect, then by taking a microscope with a sharp instrument the number of cocoons will indicate the number of bees that have hatched in each cell. . We have sometimes counted over 50 in a single cell.' Let any of our friends take oid comb warm it and separate it, then carefully examine the cells and they, will be able to determine how many sets: of brood is hatched. It is quite interesting to those who have not studied it. \%

## Judging.

IS THE SINGIE JUDGE SYSTIEM THE BEST? $\xrightarrow{-\stackrel{\square}{4}}$

$\Phi$N Canada at'nearly every exhbition three judges are appointed to decide the merits or demerits of whatever exhibits are placed before them, while our American triends generally allow one judge to do the work which is assigned to three in Canada. The question has often arisen as to which is the better place, and we have at times felt that more satisfaction would result to the exhibitors were one first class impartial expert to do the work. Our idol however has been rudely shattered after an extended experience of some years and we shall hereatter stick to the three judge system as away ahead of all other methods. It is, true that in many cases where three judges are chosen each of the three may not be equally competent, but this need only be so in cases where many different exhibits come befor the same trio, as when butter, cheese and othęr dairy
products are placed in the same collect. ion and come before the same judge as bees, honey and apiarian supplies.
In all our large exhibitions these and other classes are divided and judges are appointed for each distinct class and the excuse given above cannot possibly avail here.
There will be no danger, or at least $a^{\text {a }}$ good deal less danger, of partiality being shown. 'There will be no possibility of any collusion between the judges and superintendents in charge of the exhibition and everything that is done can generally be vieived in the full light of public criticism and come through the ordeal unscathed. There is a chance of all these by the one judge system. A friend of ours who has had a large experience at exhibitions and fains where both systems of judgingwere practiced relates his experience to us as follows, and it is the story which he has told us which confirms the opinon which we have given utterance to above.

At a late fair.where onè judge did all: the work, he tells us that a superintendent of another department came to the superintendent of the department in which he was interested and made arrangements with him to buy certain things and show them in the name of the latter in the department of the first named superintendent. The judge was, he Yelt satisfied, cognizant of this. In some classes there were not suffi-cient-entries to cover all the prizes and he tells us that an arrangenent was made on the suggestion of the judge whereby goods were obtained and shown under the names of parties who were not present at all. He further states that these goods were given preference over others in judging and took prizes though they did not deserve them and that throughout the whole department he could see where the judge and the official of the show were conniving to help themselves financially at the expense of the other exhibitors and of the Association. Our friend, whom we met at the Toronto exhibition, where he furnished us with these statements, clarms that he is able to substantiate every one of them and if this be the case it is high time that scme change was made in the mode of judging or that the directors of the fair at once revert to the old system of having a trio of judges.

When judges, who are looked upon as tians and upright and honorable citizens and whose characters should, like Caesar's wife, be above suspicion, stoop to these things, it is time that radical changes were affected.

## Brantford vs: Buffalo.

6INCE our issue of last week we have received several communications regarding the proposed change of the coming International Convention, from Brantford to Buffalo, and all are opposed to it.

Sec. Holterman writes us as follows:-
Yours just to hand. When I received friend Ernest Root's prool sheets I was ataggered. Nothing had been said to me about.it and 1 bardly knew what to think. I could, not nee that it was in the best interest of the International. This moraing however I wrote to Gleanings and friend Newmen of the American Beo Journal, stating that Brautford was selected because the Internatioual was invited there by Brant beakeepers, not beqouse the secretury lived thare. I should be sorry to bave any Asecciation have convention in a certain place beoultse a cortain jommal wan was published there. This would surely mesn failure to anything but a local Association. Constitationally it is of no value to have votes of members on change of place of meating. But you give the same reason, in your letter to Mr. Koot that I gave ; it is entirely too late to think of such a step so many wires have peen pulled and arrangernents made. It would mean overy arrangement being mode in a few weeks afresh. Prof. Cook says rightly "we all ouly wish the best interests of the society.". I main: tain these are against ohanging the place and more unless for the very gravest reasons, the work of the members of a society in annual convention should not be mpered with. Bat if nothing else prevented a ohange the lateness would. Then as you say the delegates appoint. ed all over Canada cannot go under present: appointment. Bee-keepers should come to Brantford, it promises to be one of the brighteat that grand old oontinental organization hus ever had. Already sufficient have promised to make it safe to predict this. R. F Holtermis.

Romney, Oot 12 '89.
The American Bee Journal and Gleanings both appear with articles similar to that which we published as the advance proof from the latter. Editor Newman's comments we append:-

In the above article Brother Rook amks for opinions of bee-keepers to be sent to ur relative to changing the location of the International Convention to Buffalón next December This was done without consulting us, but wo will attend to the matter with plessure. Wo favor the change, if it recerves the endorsemont of Mir. Holterman, Mr. Jones, and other Canadians. They should have been consulted first.

- Latrr.-Since the above was put into type, we have heard from suveral Canadiang-among thom being Messrs. Muopherson and Holterman --and is they to seriausty object, there can be no change from Brantford for the uext Interna. tional Convention-but for the sessions of 1890, Bufialo is just the place. The sugkestion came too late. Let ng now dismiss the subjedt. and work faithfnlly to make the Convontion fit Brantford a successful and interesting occasion.

The editor of the Américan Bee Journal favored the change provided the Canadians were satisfied, and he does not prohbit Canadian bee-keepers who are not nembers from speaking their minds. It will also be seen that he falls in with our suggestion that the sessions for the International convention of 1890 , be held at Buffalo. We heartily concur with his closing sentance: "that we now dismiss the subject and work. faithfully to make the convention at- Brantford a successful and interesting occasion."

Gleahings prints our letter which was forwarded, and comments in this wise:--
:Well, now, friend M., may be I have put my foot in it. If so, I shall try to druw it out as arnoefully as possible. Let's see : It seems to me that your original editorial is a litte ambig: uous, or, rather, it conveys pretty directly the impression I got from it, After mentioning the fact that you had invited your Americain frionds to be present at Brantford, you insert a "by the way" clause. which seems to be somewhat of an after-thought to the preceding. The clause in question, and the oue which gave me the im pression that you desired to change to Baffalo for 1889 , reads as follows: "By the way, would it not be mere jústice to place the hold. iug of the next convention at Buffalo?" The underscored word is mine. Now, the question hinges on the little ivord next. I can not get any other meaning from it than that you meant the coming convention, for the close of thit year, 1889. I do not see how the next cobnvenbion could refer to the year 1890, when there is yet a convention to be be-held in between now and then. The reasons you give for holding it at Brantford are grod; but would not these delegates be willing to jay a little more for the sake of the privileget. of seeing the Falls in winter? and is it nor a fact that some of the delegates are nearer Buffalo than Brantford ? and would not the general expense be therlby somowhat equaliz. ed? 'I am atill in favor of Buffalo, though I-am willing to accede to the wishes of the majority.
of the members．＂As Prof．Cook aky，we，all deaire the beat good of the society．

## Ernyar．＂

We must confess that we are sur－ prised that our friend Ernest should choose the one sentence which might convey the meaning he desires to bol－ ster up his position．Why does he not also add the next sentence which quali－ fies it and gives it an ontirely＇different meaning ？The sentence following the one which he has quoted reads：－＂The bee keepers would like it and it would give Casadians a goòd chance of again being present．＂

Underscore the word＂again＂and we do not possibly see how＂any one can misinterpret－utir intentions．

We，think if friend Ernest will grace－ fully admit that he did not read the whole article with sufficient care and took up with the wrong idea that would be the best way out of the mud－ dle．

Personally we would as soon have the meeting at Buffalo＇as at Brantford，but we are not selfish enough．to wish to arrange matters to suft ourselves at the expense of many of our Canadian friends．

We have just been looking over the constitution and by－laws of the Inter－ nationate which were adopted at the convention held at Columbus，last year， and we gamot find that the members or any one＇else have any power，, at this time，two make any change in the place of meeting．

Article 6 of the constitution says：－
＂The annual convention of this association＇ shall be held at such a time and place as shall be agreed upon at the previous amnal convention．＂

Further on we read：－
＂This constitution may be amended at any annual convention by a two－thirds vote of all the memberrs prosent．

We are sure that friend Root cannot have looked up the constitution else he would never have thought of suggesting the change．And now let us all down to work and do everything in our power to make the meeting a successful one，and we are satisfied－athat our American friends will have no cause to complain of their reception on Canadian soil．

## Pez－Vine Clover．

For tie oinadin birz jodinar．
N the O．B．J．，Ootober 9，page 067，H．F． Hont asks if pea－vine olover is a perennial． I have raised a good deal of that and other kinds of olover and have never yet found a perennial olcver．In fact in this locallty－ $0 x$－ ford county－1．have never sean any clover：of muoh account after the first yoar．But if thore is any difference the next year it is in favor of the pea－vine．The principal points of differonoe between pea－vine ind red clover are that the pea－vine gruws heavier and ripens later and the flower tubeg are frequently large enough for a Beif to orawl into them head first，leaving only the point of its basiness end visible．Some． times it yields enormous orops of honey and at other times none at all．Except on low Jands－ the only place Alsike olover will grow here－the pea－vine is the most profitable variety．I have this year seeded down 25 acres with pea－vine so if nothing happens I may perbaps have som honey next year．

J．W．Whealey．
Kintore，Oot． 15.

## Welght of Bees．

 HAVE felt 䔰学ch interested in this màtter of the weightiol bees．＇I find in Keys＇old work，p．92，the following：
－ 1,830 workers，a pint，or 6 oz．and 5 drs． 3，660 workers，a quart，or 12 oz：and 10 drs ． 29，280 workers，a peok，or 6 lbs o oz ．and 6 drs ． Keys addg：－＂This statement is made on an average；for they will not prove twice exactly alike，because of their different degrees of fall． ness，eto．＂
I asked one of our students，Mr．John W． White，of Lancaster，Wis．，to wergh bees and see how ours agree with＂those of Keys，＇and with those reported by you in Gleanings．Mr． White gave his paper tbefoge our Natural History Society last evonirg．Like Keys， Mr．White found the variation large．He also found that bees a short time dead weighed＂less than those just killed．I have found it necess－ ary to kill bees，when weighing，as the motion of their wings will often make a large differ ence－in results．Our bees seem heavier than either those of Kieys or those at Medina．Let me say，fithat jour weighings are all done on soales so delicate that they will almost weigh a thought or sigh．Mr White weighed seven lots of ten canch．Thesa bees had been long fasting．
and were just beginning to die of starvation.

- The average wal 4108 to the pound. While these bees wore all gear|the starvation limit, yet there was oonsiderable variation in wright. Mr. White oloroformed these bees. . After, they recovered from the stupor, he fed ten been all they wonld take, and then weighed them. These weighed 15 milligrams per bee more than the othera, or 8626 bees to the pound. The result of Mr. White's weights were a surprise to me and so I thought I would verity their ciocuracy. I weighed 20 ;bees that were caught from the hives. They were then carried in my pooket for two or three hours in a cage while walking about. These bees weighed 108 milligrams per bee, or at the rate of 4222 to the pound. Another lot of the same namber, taken after they had sipped all they would, - were chloroformed, and weighed at"once. These weighed 123 milligrams per bee, or ath at the rate of 3781 to the pound. So, friend Root I think your old average, 4000 bees to the pound, is more nearly correct for our bees than is your more recont estimate. I feel very cortain that our bees will average 4000 . to the lb . and I think that, when full fed, thoy will hardly reach more, than 3830. You will note that when starvep, they reach only 4225 to the lb ; - Oar bees are a cobss between thè Syrian and the Carniolan. There may be a trace of Italian anid German blood, and dorbtless is. I had. always thought that the Syrian race seemed , large, and visitors often alay "Your bees seem very large:" yet $I$ had not supposed there could be so muoh difference. Of what race were the bees you weighed?-A. J. Cook in Gleanings.


## Golden Rod.

(क)LLOW me to say that golden rod is omr best fall honey plant in. Western New York. The fall honey we depend apon is

- buokwheat, golden, rod, asters and.Mighaelmas daiby (called Mricklemas), and they bloom in the order named. Golden Rod altway yields the most of any, the weather being favor. able. It begins to bloom about Sept. 1, and lasts abont four weeks. It always yields waik when the weather is favorable, and bees fairly sivarm upon it at all times of the day. I think that were the days as long, and the weather as favorable as it usuelly is in clover or bass-wood harvest, we would get as much honey from it in the same time. The honey is a nice golden color (also the pollen), and quitén heary, but I think that it granulates quite essily when ansapped in the colls or extracted. It is our
maindependence tor winter stores. It is very abundanti, and vefy hardy, yet nevor troabling oultivated fields.-G. F. Ashby in A. B. A.

Good Stores and Protection Tell the Story of Suecessful Out-Door Wintering.

N any discussion of the subject of outdoor wibtering, Vermont should, I am sure, have a voice. All over the state, but more especially the Champlain valley bees are wintered out of doors. Whether those who in. 9 augurated this system did so with a full know. ledge of all the advantages to be obtained with light hives and cellar wintéring, I knew hot, but the fact remains that scores of bee-keepers here practice this męthod with scarce:a desire for a change.
It mag be that, as Mr. Elwood said recently in the Review, our valley is favorably situated, the colạ being tempered by warm breezẹs from the lowier Hudson region, but an examination of the metlorological olizervations of the signal station at Burlington would convince many that this effect is not too apparent. .).
But there are other reasons beyond the control of the average bee-keeper, why our bees winter so succeş̧̆fully.
The character of the honey onsed for winter stores is generally of the best, as so little fall honey or honey dew is obtained that the major part of the winter stores, if of honey, must be of the white boney/ crop. This same lack of autumn forage also renders late breeding light and frees the rombs of much surplus polien. It is no rare occurrence to find no- brood of any kind in the hives by the first of.October.
Winter flights are very đesirable at a proper time, but may be injurious. 'A good fight during December is always beneficial, but one between January 10th and the middle of February is often extremely injurious as broeding is indood: and should nofflights occur until after the first of April, as often happena, dysentry may be the result.
If spring proteotion is of sufficient importance to repay all the trouble of proviaing, packinġ, and cases for large apiaries like Mr. Heddon's, then should we who winter in chaff hives, congratulate ourselves rpon having obtained this pratection without an hours extra labor.
The increased consumption of stores in outdoor wintering is, I am quite" sure, not as apparent at the ppening of clover bloom as on the first of April; as honey is, I cantemg, consumed in much larger quantities at (this season by colonies wintertd in the cellar than by thoso wintered in the open air.

One word more with regard to the method of packing in use here. The material may consist of almost any. porus non-cenductor, of heat; chaff and planer shayings baving the advantages*of lightness, are the general favor-. ites: Care should, I think, be exercised that the packing be perfectly dry, that it may absorb as much of the moisture of the bees as possible, moisture being feared next to poor stores as a cause of winter loss. The packing is beld in place by an outer case consisting of two rims of about ten inches in width each, with a good gable roof on top. These rims are about three inches larger inside than the brood chamber, leaving that amount of space for the packing.
After the close of the honey season, the bees are left as much as possible to themselves, the only, care being that they have sufficient stores for the winter, until about the first of November, fall "tinkering " and excitement being avoided as detrimental. At this time the brood chamber cover is removed and a piece of burlap or cotton placed upon the frames and the top filled with packing to the depth of about six inches. Formerly this super packing was used loose but now saoks; or trays with cloth bottome, are used to hold the chaff or shavinge. These sacks are very handy in spring when upon some warm day it is desired to examine many colonies. The packing is not removed until settled warm weather, and then only from the top, the sides remaining packed throughout the year. This packing at the sides $I$ consider an advantage even during the sultry days of bas nood bloom.
In answer to the argament of cumbersomeness, I will simply say that nearly all of the improved methods of management at all soasons of the year may be practiced with chaff hives without the moving of a single one. How this may be done could form the subject of many long articles:
Last winter I wintered ninety-six oolonies out of doors in chaff. On the first of April all were alive, one was queenless and one"dwindled dur-听 April as a result of late "tinkering." J. H. Larrabbe, in 'Bee.Reepers' Review.

The Influences of Conventions are Elevating.

- 0 HEN I saw an aiticle by Mrs. Chad. dock, entitled. "Bee Cohventions," on page 185 of the Review for December last, I wanted to say something on the subject, bat realixing that the Reviow was de. voted to some spocial subject each month, and fearing what I might say wonld find its way into the waste basket, I "held my peace." I now see
that the Ootober number is to discuss "Bee Assooiations and Conventions."

It may be true, as the Review says, that "not many up-with-tho-times bee-keepers now go to these meetings expecting as the result, to come home loaded down with information. It isn't for that they go. It's to see the 'boys.' " (And girls?) It may bè that such " shining lights" as "ye editor" don't learn anything, but there are some who may not be classed with "up-withthe.times bee-keepers" who do learn many things at these meetings.
Is Mrs. Chaddock's opinion, that it does not pay to attend these conventions, unless one has an ax to grind, of any value? -Has she had any experience in this matter? I haven never heard any one who has attended "these conventions" express any regret for the time and money spent in so doing: but I have frequently heard the expressions: "I am glad I came." "I fesl well paid:" "It has been a real treat." Etc., etc. Mrs. Chaddock is certainly not posted when she accuses certain ones of having "an ax to grind:" unless her meaning of that expression is different from the generally accepted one. I had sapposed that persons "having an ax to grind" were those having something to sell, or those working to secure some influence by which money was to be made. I have never known Prof. Cook to make any effort at any convention to sell his book, or to secure, an inonorable position, but he is always trying (and succeeding) to help others to get on a higher plane of intelligence and goodness. So I guess, after all. I'll have to admit that it does pay him to attend conventions; and I know be belps make it pay others to attend.
Thank fortune, or any good influence, all the people in the world are not so many bundles of selfishness; and many have learned the truthfulness of the statement that: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

That it pays Messes. Hutchinson end Root, in dollars and cents, to attend conventions, I rery much doubt. I have never known them to offer anything for sale, or to attempt to advertise any of their wares; and if Mrs. Chaddock thinks it is necessary for "D. A. Jones to be there to keep up with the times," I think she is. very mach mistaken.
I have no doubt that ${ }^{3}$ Mrs. Harrison gets: better pay for what she writes because she attends the conventions," but if that is all she goes for, and all she gets, I'm sure she misses the better part that others get. It such is the case, thon Mrs. Harrisor is the only one who "has an ax to grind;" but wo know it is not with the ladies.as it is with tho men; for I'm
inclined to believe as Thackery says: "aince the days of. Adam, there has been hardly a mischief done in this world but a woman has been at the bottom of it."
Mrs. C. can't even let me alone. , Ste says I "can sell my recipe for preserving eggs.".
Well, maybe she knows more about it than I do. I neyer did sell anything at a convention, - nor attempted to, but if I should have the pleasure of meeting her next December at Brantford, I shall try my power's of persuasion on her in that line.
If any one can listen to one of our friend Newman's soul stirring addresses; or one of Professor Cook's familiar, interesting and homelike talks, and not feel paid, I would just like to know what he or she is made of. And it is worth something to give that everybody's-friend, A. I. Root, a racket, and listen to his friendly way of talking to us; and to shake hands with such. Canuaks as Pettit, Corneil, Pringle, Jones. McKinight, Macpherson, Hail and Emigh, is not to be lightly esteemed, to say nothing of the ladies we don't know but who will be at Brantfors. Then add the Uniied States to the galaxy, and say it doesn't pay if yon dare.

It may be possible that it would ntt pay a large majority of bee-keepers to attend the meetings of the International, but for "such poor mortals as I" it pays if one has the "needful" to sp tre. I have never yet regretted having attended our International gatherings, and although it may not be a source of direct finan. cial lncoris to attend bee-keepars' conventions, farmers' instiftateg, horticultural meeetings, political caucuses and conventions, literally gatherings the weekly prayer meating the Sabbath school and religions Sabbath services \&c., \&e., It believe it is a duty we owe ourselves, our families, our neighborhood, our conntry and our God,' to make use of every right influence to help elevate the "standard of excellence" in every direction that lies within our reach. Poor as. I $\mathrm{am}_{4}$ I would not relinquish the kindly greetings, the pleasant and valuable acquaintanco I've made, the information I've gathered and the elevating tendencies of such gatherings for many times what it has cost me in time and money, and if the purse will stand the strain and nothing anusual prevents, my "better half" shall, in the fatiore, share with me, the benefits of our International gatherings, as she-does the others I have namied.
There may be a grain of relfinhness in my wishing to take Mrs. Mason with me into Canads. Perbape you know some of the Canucks have been threatening me with some pretty rough handing if I ever put my "foot on

Canadian soil,", and it may be possible the they will let me alone if Mrs. Mason is with me.
Let everyone who can afford it be at the convention at Brantford, and if,they think it doesn't pay, Ill see that some one passes the hut for their benefit, Dr. A. B. Masolt, in 'Bee-Keepers Reviow.

Auburndale, Ohio. Oct. 2, 1889.

JINotes for October. HE summer has come and gone, the last ot the blossoms are fast disappearing, and the story of the bees for 1889. is ended. The central states of the West have been blessed with a fine orop of excellent honey, but it has not been general over the whole country by any meanes. The California crop has fallen far short of expectations, and there will likely le but little surplus to ship out of the state. New York and Michigan, two of onr largest honey producing states, bave secured less than one third of a crop, and New England has fared no better. Some sections of the South have secured very lair crops, but we do not think it has been a generally large one there, and from what we have seen, it does not compare with our white clover honey of Illinois and Iowa in color or quality.
Bee-keepers should remember that we live in a very large country, and that there are 65,000 ,ooo people to feed. Now take the amount of honey that has been gathered and what is not required to winter the bees, and divide it by the number of people, and how much do you supe. pose ihere would be per capita? Why, if all the people were supplied with honey, as they ought to be there would not be enough of the crop of thisyyear to last a morth. Nows, why do beekeepers and farmers who have but few colonies, and produce but little boncy, rash to the ngerest town and sell it in such haste for almost ahy price of. - ed.? If they had their honey in good. shape, a I there is no longer any excase for not having is so, it can be shipped anywhere by freight a out as safoly as any other merchandise. Ni, it is certainly far better to ship te: some retiable commission merchant, eyen it ho does make a profit on our goods, than to overstock our home market, and realize much less than a fair market price. We must remember that the oymmission man porforms 2 roal "valuable service, and that he does it much cheaper than woconid do it ourselvos. It is this want. of 2 propor distribation of the horioy crop that has cansed 2 wide range in prices of our honoy. . This year, at usial, whom there is a fair yield in
this section, our home fonarket is swamped by the small producers who are selling their honey for much less than it is worth in the generdl marists. We now find ourselves crowded out, and-will be obliged tos ship our entire crop out of the state. I do not know that we have any cause to complan, as we really get more money for it, and have much less trouble to dispose of it. Still it is a kind of disappointment to be forced ont of a trade that we have supplied for years. There is one thing about the home trade, and that is they' do not make a proptr difference between the different grades of honey. Honey is honey with most storekeepers and the most painstaking beo-kee pe is expected to sell at the same price $2 s$ the most careless.' There is certainly a considcrable difference in the real value, and on this all the bee-keepers ought to insiat.-Western Plowman.

## The Honey Season in Scotland.

NCE more we are within measurable distance of the close of the honey season. Though it has not turned out such a honey flow as was antioipated in the early summer, nevertheless things look brighter for the bee-keeping industry than has been the cass for meveral years. The orop of honey may be said to be a fair average one. It will be generally conceded that oolonies in the spring were in a very backward condition through scarcity of food and want of bees. The early spring enocuraged brood-rearing, however, and before Jnne closed, reports were current of 100 pounds of sarplas being taken from single colonies.
It is some years since the weather looked so promising as it did at the end of July; bat anforinnately bad bee weather came when the bloom was at its height, consequently the yield of honey from this valued source was not gromit.
The exhibits of extrected honey shown throughout Scotland this season have been very superior in flavor, oolor and consistency. Soc. tions have not boen firgt-class ; perhaps this may be attributed to the quantitios of worked out soctione left from last year to be filled this mason, and which in rearly all cases fail to produce good quality seotions.-Record.

## Uses of Beeswax.

(8)EESWAX and zalt will make rusty flatirons as clean and amooth as glass. Tie a lump of wax in 2 rag and koep it for that parpone. Whan the irons are hot, rub them first with the wax rag, then woour with a papor or oloth sprinkled with analt.

To ongrave on iron or steel, first clean the place you wish to mark, and cover it with a Thin layer of beenvax, raising the edges 80 as to form a basin. Then write your name in the wax with a aharp instrument, cutting it through to the steel. When this is done, fll the basin with undiluted nitric aoid, or aqua fortis, and let it stand a while. The longer it stands the deeper it will cut. Then wash with water,

## Callfornia Honey.

गtHIS year's crop of California boney is in good demand, two-thirds of it has already changed hands at fair prices to the producer. The yield for thie season will not exceed half what was counted on by the beekeeper in April last, and for the interests of those permanently engaged in the business it is perhaps best just as it is. A large crop of honoy requires a large outiay for help in the handling of bees in the early part of the season, and of late years it is very difficult to get efficient, reliable help for the apiary in Southern California. A big yield ol honey requires a large stock of packages in which honey is marketed, and whether one makes comb or extracted honey it will cost one cent 2 pound to pack it for market. Then with a large crop comes low prices and the honey producer finds large outlay; an immenso smeunt of labor, and small pay. The high price this year.-grows out of the fact that we have had throe years in succession short or half crops, and the merset bare in August.Raral Canadian.

## CONVENTION NOTICES

The International Bee-Keepers Association will meet in the court-house; at Brantford, Ont. on Deo. 4, 5, and 6, 1889. All bee-keepers are invited to attend, and State and District bee-keepers societies are requested to appoint delegates to the convention. Full particulars of the meeting will be given in due time. Anyone desirous of beooming a member and receiving the last annual report bound, may do so by forwarding \$1. to the seoretary.-R. F. Howtermann, Sec. Romney, Ont. Canada.

This world is good enough for those who do their part while in it,
Who find the work they ought to do and cheerily begin it;
It's far too good for those who spend their days in mere complaining,
And better than, unless they change, the one they will be gaining :
The honent, earnost toiler gets his share of joy and money;
The loud-menthod drones may rant away-'tis work that wine the honey--Boston Budget

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## POULTRY •WEEKLY

W. C. G. PETER, - - EDITOR.

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Our Leading Premium.
To Poultrymen:-Christie's Automatic Feeder is the leading premium in this department of the Canadian Bee Journal and Poultrg Weekiy. The price of the feeder itself is 50 c ., but we will send it, prepaid, to all those who send to this office, $\$ 1$ as a year's subscription, either new or for a renewal of one full. year. We also give choice of other premiums, , and subscribers are at liberty to choose which they will have.

## Names on Coops.

©UR Ottawa correspondent in his excellent report of exhibition and for which we neglected to thank him, refers to the general objection of exhibitors to having names on coops, before the judges pass decision upon the birds. Now, as this subject has been a theme for many parties in conversation with us personally at the shows lately held, we think a few words on the matter may do good, and show that if there is a plan to be preferred, it is the one so often objected to in the columns of the several poultry journals.

In the first place if the names are allowed on the coops, we think, iteompels a reasonably fair placing of the awards: it offers no excuse to the
judge. He cannot say: "I did not know whose birds they were." If flagrant case of injustice is observable in the awards, it recoils upon the honor of the judge, when the name of a personol friend, or purchaser of his stock, is known to have been upon the specimen before it was judged.

It seems to us to offer a certain amount of security against a fraudulent judge instead of the reverse, to have the names plainly upon the coops before judging.
The other methods are simply a cover for the judge, if he wishes to act dishonorably to the exhibitors. He knows, or he can know if he" want to, the particular number of entry he desires to favor, and if a judge is determined to act unfairly, there is no way of hemming him in by the laws or methods of entry cards. The desire to act squarely must be in the man; it is not and will not be accomplished by putting a guard against his intention to defraud. "You cannot make people gond hy aet of parliament," they say in "hold Hingland,". neither can you force a man to be a righteous judge when he is determined to act otherwise. But by having. it all plain and open so that the public can inform_themselves as to the man's inate sense of honor, he must in time go donn before the voice of public opinion, or remain in the ranks an honored and respected man, at whose hands exhibitors are proud to receive the award of merit, and prize it more because it is something that neither money, influence, nor friendship itself can buy.

While we have this to say regarding the subject of names on coops, we do not think our judges of poultry. need such a tirade on the sulject of preventives to fraud, for the day is past when $s$ shibitors hardly knew themselves what their chances were in the class they entered, and the sun has gone down on the day when judges were as a rule chosen by the principal exhilitors.

Above all we fail to find evidence that julges of puiltry are not as honorable a class of men as those whose specimens they ar. call... 1 pon to judgy Ther may the whererption and they may hold a position from which they camnot well be dislodged, in which case the only comfort the breeder can take is, that there is a limit to even a judge's power to act. But if we have this evil on the one hand, we have on the other yuite as many frauds among the exhilitors, because the one cannot exist without the other. If one says boycott the judgre. we would say le more severe with the exhibitor' who tempts him to depart from his manhood and burter his priaciples of honor. If the judge is known to be unreliable the exhibitor must be equally well known who profits by it, and when the names are on the coops, it is far more widely made known. We do not doubt but that if many of our judges were willing they could sell every award they have the power to make. So remember that there must be dishonest exhibitors if there are frauds of judges, and to hint at such 'practices, shows the same moral standing in both. Some people will not see the most glaring fault if it is in their own bire, and that is ridiculous, hut not more than absurd than for a judge to give the prize to a specimen which any breeder knows is a very unworthy recipient of the honor, and intelligent breeders and exhibitors quietly laugh at both. They may try to explain away some prominent defect in either case, but if one 'knows yer know' it is better to be silen't.

Send to this offlce for Fanciers Printing.

For the Poultry Weekly

## Raising Turkeys,

\#S many have asked me about turkejs I send you a short letter desoriptive of wy plan. Most people when beginung to raise turkeys pick on the largest turkey hen. This is a mistake however, as the turkeys from large stock are generally deformed or overgrown. Choose medium sized birds to in. sure good atock. I have been breeding tarkeys for the last twenty years and in my experience have found the Bronze to be the hardiest and easiest raised. Always raise from old stock if possible as they are the hardiest. I have had turkeys hatched in May bring $82.20^{\circ}$ dressed at Christmus. Dany pich ub show birde tu treed from but therea where they make thent tus take as they are generally over fed.

I am well pleased with your Weency and think it should be patronized by all fanciers.

Doon', Ont.
Joseph Kinsey.

## Rose Comb Brown Leghorns

2UR cut represents one of the most beautiful varieties that the Standard can boast. In plumage they are gorgeous in the coloring, and in carriage graceful and sprightly, in fact they are exceedingly elegant in appearance. The breast is entirely black, the color extending do 'n the thigh, and is very deep and velvety: The bright yellow legs beneath are in strong and rich contrast. The neck hackle of deep gold color, with black stripe through the centre fallipg well onto the black breast looks very beautiful, and gives the bird a stylish appearance. The back of deep-red, wing-bars of lustrous deep blue black; a these beauties go to make the Brown Leghorns one of the handsomest breeds. The comb is now bred either rose or single, to suit the fancy (or climate) The Rose Comb is getting into the p'ace of favor quickly, it being better adapted to the climate in winter, and when once the Rose Comb variety are taken up we have never heard a word of regret about them. But we must not confine our remarks to their beauty alone. They are excellent egg producers and grow quick to maturity, the chicks grow fast to broiler age and have a very plump breast. We notice great improvement in those shown this year. Combs are much neater, and sit very

firm and straight on the head. The breeding of the Rose Comb Leghorns is in the hands of careful men, and it is sure to become a great favorite with the general public on account of our severe winters playing such pranks with the Single Combed.

Poultrymen should note the fact hat the Journus is issued weekly and that it visitsthe hoppes, and the advertisements catch the eye four times as often as the monthlies, at no higher scale of charges. The circulation is rapidly increasing.

[^1]For the Poultry IVeckly. Kempenfeldt Association.

JIHE annual meeting of the Kempenfeldt Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock Association was beld at the Simcoe Hoase. Barrie, September 26th, 1889 , with a fair attendance of memibers. Mr. J. Barr and vice président in the chair. The meeting was called to order, after which the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Several communications were disposed of.
The chief business being the election of officers the following were chosen for the ensuing year, viz. Honorary President, Mr. Wm. Lount, Toronto; President, Rev. W. H. Barnes,

Barrie; rst Vice President, Mr. W! C. G. Peter, Angus; 2nd Vice President, Mr. J. Barrand, Barrie; Secretary Treasurer, Geo. H. Carley, Barrie, Executive Committee; Messrs. W. C. Wilson, East Oro., P. Love, Barrie, Arthur Craig, Craighurst; R. H. Steadman, Penetang, John Bothwell and H. N. Hughes, Barrie.

Mr. R. E. Bingham, and R. J / Fletcher were elected Auditors. A vote of thanks was tendered the Barrie Exhibition Association for the new building for the exhibit of poaltry.

It was moved, seconded, and carried, that the meeting night for the ensuing year be the rst Tuesday in each month. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November the 5th, at the Association Rooms in the Duke of York Orange Hall, 2 doors west of Queen's Hotel.
The meeting then adjourned.
Geo. H. Carley, Sec'y Treas.
For the Poultry Weerly.
Biddy's Menu;

$\Phi$HAVE been very basy the last few weeks, making repairs to my hen house, so as to have it ready for the winter. Consequently I have not bad an opportunity to write you before this.
I am pleased to see that my article on "Feeding Hens" in your issue of Aug. 7 , has been instructive to some of your readers, especially, to T. Bryant. I am quite sure his fowls will repay him handsomely if he feeds them according to that rule. He need have no fear of broken glass and crockery, or salt if used properly. Ot course every breeder of poultry has their own way of feeding, some one way, and some another. Friend Brysnt may read article after article, and still be at a loss which to adopt. One breed. er will condemn the use of one thing, while another will advise its use. Take young chicks, for instance, during their first week of chickenhood, some will advise bard boiled eggs, others say this has caused the death of their chicks. Some advise bread and milk, crackers and milk, while others say don't use soft feed in any form, but use cracked corn and millet soeds. To beginners it is best to select one course, and follow that. Or if you can pen off your fouls in two, three or four separate pens, feed each pen differently, and the one that gives the best results is the one to adopt. In penning off fowls to test the feed, they múst be of the same breed, because if each pen is of a different breed, feed that would work well with the Wyandottes mighinnot show as good results with the Brah. mas. In adopting a conrse to feed, one will be
obliged to use their own judgment to a considerable extent. *
C. W. Lawton's article in your issue of Aug. 2rst, is exceedingly good. His system, I should say, would make biddy shell out. But we Yankees on this side don't use beans to any great extent, we make corn our staple feed in winter, it retails for 50 c per bushel and much cheaper in the bulk. Mr. Lawton is fortunate in being able to raise a supply of corn and thus avoid the excessive duty. Respectfully Yours,
Troy, N. Y.
G. H. Safford.

For the Poultry Weekly.

## Exhlbit at Stayner,

『HE Poultry House this year proved far too small for the large exhibit that was sent in, and a donble row of coops were arranged down the centre to accommodate the extra birds. Not only was the show large in number but it was good in quality and that in many classes not often shown at small fairs. Some exceedingly pretty Pylegame Bantams, in fine style, áttracted our attention, I thought owing to the small classes for game Bant's ther did not get the position they deserved. We hope to see the list enlarged next year in the Bantam classes, they are a very attractive featare of every poultry show. And in our humble opinion the Pigeon class, if enlarged to embrace more varieties, would greatly add to the interest and attractiveness of the poultry department, and be quite a feature of the exhibition, especially'as we have some enthasiastio 'pigeon boys' in our locality.

Among the many good olasses those deserving especial mention are:- Light Brahmas the strongest class always.at Stayrer ; Langshans, not many but very choice birds; Plymonth Recks were exceptionally good, the winning cockerels, something extra for this variety, and will make their mark anywhere; Golden Pen. cilled Hamburgs were much above the average ; Silver Grey Dcrking chicks were a splendid lot. White C. B. Polish chicks rere fine all round. Games were out heavy for Stayner, and some of them very fine.

Although there was cnly one class for game Bantams, there was a fine exhibit comprising Black Beds, Silver Dacking and Pyle games, and the whole were a prime lot, both in old birds and cricks and plenty of them, in Pyles four excellent pairs of chicke, and little to ohoose between them.
Tarkeys were very fine, Mr. Bell of Bandal taking the best prizes with his magoificent exhibit of Bronze which are now in grand shape

Geese were good, and in fine shape, but Dacks were fewer in number than last year, the winners were well placed.
We think it would be advisable to arply for an addition to the poultry house fur next year, and wou'd suggest a doable tier down the centre raised from the Hoor, for the ligher breeds and Bantames, which would save the large coops for heavier varieties. Unfortunately the weather was very disagreeable, and on the last day rain fell heavily at intervals. It is a great proof of the popularity and excellence of the Stayner show, that the people were out in such numbers, braving the cold winds and neavy storms. It was the geueral opinion that another day might have been added, no one seemed to have had enough. It was hard work to get the main building exhibres removed, as With every clearance in the weather, fresh arrivals were coming in. The eutire show was a graud success, and we hope will prove suoh frasncially.

In connection with the Poultry department we must not forget to mention the name of $R$. E. Bingham, who afforded the exhibitors such ready and efficient help in cooping and placing the birds in classes. In fact they would not have been ready till night, but for his help and experience in placing the exbibit. No one else seemed to know what to do with the birds, and as the number kept increasmg beyond the capacity of the house we heard an officer say, "Why here's a lot more of the blamed things ooming yet."

## PRIZF WINNERS.

Light Brahma-W C G Peter, RE Bingham. Dark Brahmas-W J Bell. Langhans- W J. Bell. Dorkings-T Barret. Wyandottes- W C G Peter, T Barrat. B B B Games-R E Bingham, W Anderson. Games, A 0 V -John Bricknell, J Bricknell. Blaok Hamburgs-R Bingham 1 \& 2. Hamburgs, A 0 V-W Anderson, A Ronsier. W Leghorns-W C G Peter 1 and 2. Leghorns, A Q V-W C G Peter̂, John Bricknell. Houdans-Rt E Biugham 1 snd 2. WC B Polands-RE Bingham 1 and 2. Yo. lands, A O V--John Bricknel 1 and 2. Game Bantams A O V-WC G Peter. Guinea Faul -I Shell. Turkeys, Bronze-W G Bell, Wm Brewster. Toulon Geese-J Smish, $D$ Sinclair. Pekin Daoks-Hy Bulmer, Wm Young. Ayles. bury Duck-T F Barrows. Ducks, A O $\bar{\nabla}-\mathrm{F}$ Maiden', G Spearin.

CHICEERS AND PIGEONS.
Light Brahmas-W Peter 1 and 2. Dark Brahmas- WJ Bell 1 and 2. Cochius - T Barret. Langshans: - Thos Barret 1 and $2 \cdot$ Plymouth Rocks - R E Bingham 1 and 2. Dorkings-T Barret 1 and 2. Wyandottes-W Peters, I Basset. Games, A O V-Johe Bricknell. Blk Hamburgs-R E'Bingham I and 2 Hamburge A OV-R E Bingham, W Anderson. White Leghorns-W Peter 1 and 2. Leghorns,
A.O V- W Peter 1 and 2. Houdans-R E. Bingham 1 and 2. W C IB Polands-1 Scnell, RE Bingham. Game Bantama -J Brjckuell, W Peter. A 0 V W not mentioned-R E Bingham 1 and 2. Fantail Pigeons-W Anderson. Breeding Pen-J Sohell.

## A Good Word for the Bantams.

HY should it not be spoken? Are they not the pets of the the poultry yard? Do not the most valuable articles come in the smallest packages? Is not a diamond that gliters in the necklace of a belle worth many tons of coal, and are not diamonds and coal made from the same material? Is not beauty of value? Must everything be measured by dollars and cents? But even measured in this way, are not Bantams worth raising?
Mr. J.-These are genuine cases though we suppress names-has a flock of seven Bantams a cross between a Game and a Sebright. They are yielding him five eggs a day. Mr. W. has a flock of ten Black Red Game Bantams-he is getting ten eggs a day. Mr. B. has a large number of fowls about one-fourth of which are Bantams, and he gets fully one-third of bis eggs from the Bantams. Don't they pay?
But the eggs are small. Yes, they are small, but the fowls are small, and the food for three Bantams is not more thai enough for one ordinary fowl of the middle sized class. And the eggs are large in proportion to the size of the fowls. We bave seen Bantams that laid eggs nearly as large as the first litter of eggs from Plymouth Rock Pullets.

Oh! they pay, Mr. Hardcash. They do pay. If you give your boy a pair of Bantams you will find that you have made him a gift whioh will return you more thanits first cost. You haye provided him with a perennial pleasure that will return him a profit. You have done him a good turn and will be rewarded for doing it.

But they don't pay as well as larger fowls. Perhaps not, - we never said they did, but it will not do to bank on that until expenses are reckoned up and receipts credited. It may be found, after all, that they do pay better than one imagines. We do not think they pay as well as the larger fowls-we know that their eggs are not a marketable product, except such as are sold for hatching-we are aware that one who breeds for practical purposes has no use tor Bantams-but all the same Bantams have their use, in limited quarters, for home supply, and for the pleasure and profit they prodace.

Here is our good word for Bantams. We vouch for them as beautiful pets and profitable fowls. May their race increase.-American Poultry Yard.

To which pious prayer we most devoutly say Amen! Bantams are very profitable, and surely the most beautiful pets in the poultry world. If they do lay' a small egg, it is "not so blamed small as it might be," as the philosophical little boy said of his piece of pie. Ind what golden custards you can make with those smadl contributions. What good layers too are these Lilliputian birds.

## Barrie Prize List.'

Pair Brahmas, dak, 1, W. ©A. Wright, e, W. C. Wilson. Brahmas. l IV. G. G. Peters, 2 George Carley. Cochms, Buff, Wright Cochins, partridge, 1 Walter Paterson, 2 Mr . Barnes. Iorkins, silver grey, Thomas Barrett. Games, B. B. red, Win. Barber \& Co. (iumes. pilf, W. Barber d Co Langshane. I Barrett, 2 barnes. Leghorns, white, b. c., 1 Wright, 2 , A. Brown. Leghorns, white, r. c., leters. Leghorns, brown, к. c. 1 Wilson, 2 Fred Smith. Lenborns, brown, $r$ c.. Peters. Houdaus, 1 , Wilson, 2 Wright. Hamburgs, Dlack, Wright. Hamburgs, salver, 1 Wilson, 2 Brown Ham. burgs, golden, 1 Hrown,: Calverley. Harabargs, spaugled, 1 Cialserley, 2, E IS Greenwood. Spanish, black, 1, Wright. 2 J. ' $'$. Campbell. Plymouths Locks, Wright l'olands, w. o. b., Paterson. Polande, silver, Wilson. Polande. golden, 1 Wright, 2 Barnes. Wyandottes. 1 , W C G Peter, 2, H. Gcode. Bantams, b. b. red, Barber Co. Bantams, duckwing, 1. Barber Co, e I'eters. Bantams, pile, Barber \& Co Bantams, silver Seabright. 1, Thomas Barrett. Bantams, Pekans, 1 Barues. 9 Carley. Bantams, African, Willie lBothwell. Turkeys. bronze, 1 A. Craig, 2 (ieo. Sneath, sr. Turkeys, black, Mrs. John Robinson. Geese. Toulouse, 1 Wright, 2 Robert McConkey. Geese, China, Mrs J. Kirkup, 2). (:. (ampbell. Ducks, Aylesbury, 1 TVright, $\because$ (ialverley. Ducks, Pekin, 1, Mrs. Robinson, 1, McConkey. Pea fowl, 1, C. M. Hackling. 2, Mrs. Kirkup. Any other kind, not mentioned above, Wilson. Best breeding pen, 1 cock and 3 hens, (games barred), 1 Barber Co., 2, Barnes.

## CHICKs.

Brahmas, dark, 1, Wright. 2. Brown. Brahmas, light, i, Barnes, 2, Peters. Coching, buff, 1, Wright, 2, Peterson. Dorkings. siver gray, Barret. Games, b. b red, 1 and 2, Barber Co. Games, duckwing, Burber Co. Langshans, Barret. Leghorns, white, s. c., 1, Wright, 2, Fred Adam. Leghorns, white, r. c., I; Yeters, 2. Patterson. Leghorns, brown, s. c., P Love. Leghorns, brown, r. c., Peters, Javas, any kind, Bothwell. Houdans, 1, Wright, 2, Wilson. Hamburgs, black, Wright. Hamburga, silver, 1 and 2 brown. Hamburgs, golden, Brown. Spanish, black, 1, Wright, 2, Smith. Plymouth Rock, 1, Wright, 2, Wilson. Polands, w. c. .b., Smith. Polands, silver, Wilson. Polands, golden, 1, Wright, 2, Wilson. Wyandottes, 1 and 2, Barber, Co. Bantams, duckwing, $r^{*}$ and 2, Barber Co, Bantams, --, 1 and 2, Barber Co. Bantams, golden Seabright, Patterson.

Bantams, Pekin, i, Carley, 2, Paterson. Breed ing pen, I cockerel and 3 pullets, (games and game bantams barred, Love.

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Carriers, 1, and 2, Carley. Pouters, r, Groen. wood, 2, Bingham \& Carley. Tumblers, Green. wood. Jacobins, I. Hughes, 2, Greenuood. Fantails, 1, Bingham \& Carley, 2, Greenwood. Barbs, I, Hughos, 2, Greenwood. Trumpeters. 1. Bingham idCarley, 2 , Greenwood. Antwerps. 1. Hughes. 2. Greenwood. Turbits, 1. Carley. 2 Greenwood. Best collection of pigeons, Bingham \&" Carley, winnners of metal by W. C. G. l'eter. Best collection ot rabbits, lop eared. R. McCunkey.

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FOULTTRY IIRESSFD FOR TABLE.
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Iressed tarkey, 1. Mrs Kirkup, 2, Mrs. I) Mc(euaig. 1)ressed gcose, 1, H. McKay, 2, George Sneath. Dressed duck: $\mathrm{I}_{\text {, ( }}$ (iєo Sneath. 2. Mrs. Kobinson. Iressed fowl, 1. Kobinson, 2. Mckiay.

## The Lordly Turkey.

AT this season of the jear the eagle hides iis diminished head and the turkey becomes the national bird. From Thanks. giving to the dawn of spring, with cccasional periods of extraordinary importance, this fowl is sought after, from the humblest housewife to the hunghtiest chef in the land.
Mr. Stephen Bale gives valuable suggestions regarding the rearing of turkeys to supply this great demand. This clase of fowls is more difficult to raise than, $p$ shaps, any other of the domestic series, but the protits derived from a fair derree of success make the effort advisable. There is uo variety of meat, except same and fancy meate, that is as uniformly high-priced to the customer as turkey meat. The difficulties in raising are eucountesed during the tirst few weeks of the bird's life. A poult is delicate, but a mature turkey is as strong and hardy as any other fowl.

In order to make turkey raising a success it is requisite, first of all, that the soil of the yard and pets should be naturally dry. A cold, damp, heavy soil is fatal. Lisht, sandy ground is absolutely indispensable. The grass in the run for young birds should be kept short.

The house should be dry, and separated from the regular fowl house. Turkeys do not associate with other fowls, and are apt to harrass them. There need be no division of runs. overcrowding must be avoided. The birds need plenty of room. Size and weight are to be bred for; since pounds count. In selecting breeding stock, ohoose for good frame, bonẹ and substance. Small birds are dear at a gift and should not be accepted at all. It may be that the desite for excessive weight has tended to make the breed delioate, but if so this can be
overcome by seeping large boned birds only and these will be better able to bear a large amount of flesh. A tarkey hen at six months should weigh nine or ton pounds. A healthy bird can easily be known as the gills and head are of a bright red color, and the habita are very. active. Do not buy old birds, whose loge are very scaly, or if the tuft of wiry hair in front on the breast is very bashy, as it will not be of much service.
The turkey does not attain its full maturity antil the thrd year, and, of course, it is better to breed from full grown birds than from young mes, but the latter lay very much earlier thau the former, und consequently are used on that account If these are good strong birde they may be bred from,and the produce will come in useful for early sale. It is best to change the male bird every season, and the cock bought in the early spring can bo fattened and killed off the followng Christmas, when it will be no worse for ita services, bus probably bring almost us much as was given for it If this plan is adopted, some of the voung hens can be kept for breeding purposes, whereas if no change in the cook is made this cannot be done. Never use a cock of your own breeding for stock, if in the least related to any one of the hens, for turkeys are delicate to begin with, end any inbreeding will make them more so. Eight heus are sufficient to give to one cock. Darb colored birds are the hardiest.

About the beginning of Maroh the hens will bogin to lay, und it is necessary to watch them closely, or they will lay in strange places. Take the eqg out duily, only leaving a dammy in the nest, and keap them packed in bran in a cool place until the hen is ready, which can easily be known by her persistently remaining on the nest. Some people prefer to let the turkey sit where she likes, but we think it best to keep her in a safer plave. and no better plau oan be adopted than making a large sitting box and treating her in the same fashion as sitting heus. It may be necessary to lift her off every day, but turkeys are comparatively geptle birds and will bear handling.

The for fatching or turkeys is 28 days and it is better not to interfere much. with the, egge, except to examine them on the tenth day by candle-light. When the young birds are hatched, leave them over night without removal. Next morning lift the mother gently, and
lace her in a large, dry, and comfortable coop and her brood can then be put with her. See that the old bird has plenty of food and. water, and feed the young ones on hard boiled egg ohopped fine, with boiled rice and soaked food, which
mast be given to hem five or six times in the day, the first feed to be given as soon as possible after daylight, and the last nbout six o'clock in the evening. When a week or ten duys old, begin to throw dopus a hittle duri or buckrhent, and, most important of all, plenty of young onions chopped fine. Any kind of tender areen lood ia useful, but onions are ubsolutgy neces. sary. The great ropuisite for successful turkey rearing are (1) a dry, comfortable houre and ruu, und (2) good und proper feeding. On cold or wet days, min a littie aromatec compound in the soft food, and Live every duy for the first three months a little chopped meat. It is necessary to move bhe coop every day or the ground will become tainted. When the young birds are about a frimight old let the hen ont of the conp for aboat an hour a day, which time may nerajually be extended, but do not lot her take the chicks amonis long grass, nor guve her too wide a run, or she will tire them out. .-Am. I'. journal.

## 〒QUERY * DEPARTMENT.


Crexn Cuemist. - Fiour comments on lime, oyster shehl etc. Werr very interesting. I had puite forgeten that birds could wot the material from other thas, but still 1 ath rinht in eaying that they can do without oyster shell. They do. I suppose, get lime fram the water all the time, nore or less, as Mr. Kay. son hints at. I beg Mr. Mayson to accept my congratulations aud best wishes $f$ ic a long and huppy married life. I am glad he has not givth up wroting, I like to read his lotters. Please tell me w.lich stand the cold be:t, Black Javas or I'lymouth Nocks? Should steen stuff be cut up for silos.

WEqhould think the, Javas and Rocks about equal in hardihood and enduring the cold. We have never hat them, have seen a great deal of them in the hands of others and they appear well satisfied, however we will enquare for you as to this. You are quite right re lime and so are we. The green stuff would be better cut up we should think. but the subject is new to us. It would pack closer if cut.

Ducks ard industrious destroyers of insect grubs, being especiailis fond of the grubs of "daddy long yegs" which infest so many garden patches. Thisgrub is about an inch loug, of brown color, oylled in some Western states n the nigger head," and preys upon the succulent stems of garden stuff just belcw the surface of the ground. Dugks will dig for them and do much towards frecing the earth of these pests.
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