

for the place of holding the meeting—not like last year, or the year before, where numbers of members came from the adjoining places for the purpose of controlling the vote. This has resulted in the reduction of our receipts by quite a few dollars, and I found that it would be quite impossible for us to reserve this amount of money for your ribbons. If you desire any further explanations you may have them. As far as I am personally concerned it would be a great deal better for me as you have noticed the time it takes to write the cards and then they are half written before they come here. That would have been done away with. It is, you will see, not a matter with me, but a saving of your money.

I intended to speak first, and I am sorry I did not do it, of Mr. Langdon. I can assure you that it was with the greatest of pleasure that I received word of his appointment as Superintendent. Having met him on previous occasions, I was satisfied that he would make a model Superintendent, and that my instructions would be carried out. I am bound to say that I have never seen a better Superintendent than Mr. Langdon has made. The instructions from me were hardly instructions; I wrote suggesting, and we finally came to the conclusion that that was the proper way to do it. When anything was settled, I am pleased to say that he carried out that arrangement in detail to the iota, and we had no trouble whatever in cooping the birds.

I wish to speak here of another thing. It is a source of annoyance and trouble. There are a few that will persist in trying to get in late entries. Now, you passed a resolution that entries should close on a certain date. I have followed that out and it is yourselves that are to blame if you have made the date too early. An old gentleman brought in a large number of entries. I did not see anything of them until I got here on the 6th. I could not accept his entry then. I only mention these matters so that those who so persist may not look upon me as doing anything that might be considered obnoxious to anyone. I treat you all just as I would like to be treated myself, and not one of you, not even my own father, can get in an entry after the advertised date.

There is another matter about which I desire to say a word or two. Doubtless you noticed that in reading the minutes I called your special attention to it. You know what we hold this meeting for. This Association and these meetings are supposed to be for the good of the country at large, and I hope and trust that the Directors have all stuck up to the resolution which was passed a year ago and that they have prepared essays which will be of

great benefit to the country at large.

I do not know of anything more, Mr. President, that I can say in regard to the Association. I am much pleased with the way in which I have been treated from yourself down, and I can only say it is a pleasure for me to work for a body of men like this, and if I have in any way worried anyone it has been by accident. You perhaps do not know what it is to have eighty or ninety people wanting something at the same time. If I happened to be a little short it was only in the best of nature. If I appear to be curt it is not intended. I thank you for the manner in which you have received my remarks.

The Treasurer, Mr. George G. McCormick, read his report, which has already appeared in the REVIEW, and on motion of Mr. D. C. Trew, seconded by Mr. T. J. Senior, the same was adopted, together with the report of the Auditors.

Letters of regret were read from the Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture; Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture; Mr. Jas. Mills, President Ontario Agricultural College, and from Mr. S. M. Clemo.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting proceed with the general order of business, leaving the essays to come in at the conclusion.

Moved by Mr. Allan Bogue, seconded by Mr. Thos. Rice, that the next annual exhibition of this Association be held in the City of Guelph. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. Allan Bogue, seconded by Mr. G. G. McCormick, that Thomas Gowdy, Esq., Guelph, be President of the Association. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. William McNeil, seconded by Mr. D. C. Trew, that Mr. Allan Bogue be the 1st Vice-President. Carried.

Mr. William McNeil proposed Mr. Henry White as 2nd Vice-President, seconded by Mr. Allan Bogue.

Mr. A. Brown nominated Mr. G. S. Oldrieve, seconded by Dr. Mallory.

Messrs. Bogue, Bennett, Mallory, Paton and Wagner then took part in a very animated discussion as to whether Mr. Oldrieve was within the jurisdiction of the Ontario Poultry Association. Messrs. Bogue and Wagner argued that he was without the jurisdiction, while Messrs. Bennett, Mallory and Paton argued that the Association represented the whole Province, notwithstanding the Eastern Ontario Poultry Association.

On a vote being taken Mr. White was declared elected.

Mr. G. G. McCormick proposed the President, Messrs. Bogue, Dilworth, Burn, and Cole as a Committee to nomi-