



is to be kept alive by the members bringing specimens for criticism to the meetings, and amateur scoring is to be the order of the day.

We hope to see this Association go ahead and prosper, which we have no doubt will be the case.

THE JUBILEE HATCHER.

Above we show a cut of the Jubilee Hatcher, Mr. A. W. Bessey's new machine. Its special features are, its simplicity of construction, perfection of automatic regulator and complete control of the moisture, which can be increased or decreased at the will of the operator. We had the pleasure of viewing two of these machines at the St. Catharines exhibition and were struck with the simplicity of all the parts.

The regulator is worked by means of a thermostatic bar in connection with a small cap which fits over a tube connected with the hot air chamber. This cap rises when the temperature becomes too great and allows the heated air to pass out, closing again when the thermometer marks the correct degree.

There are several other good features in connection with it which space will not admit of mentioning now. We understand Mr. Bessey had a most successful hatch at "St. Kits," over 90 per cent. of fertile eggs.

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"ST. KITS" AT SUPPER.

The members of the St. Catharines Association sat down to a well spread table at the St. Catharines House on the 16th inst. The chair was ably filled by Mr. N. M. Black, and the vice by Mr. J. E. Lawrence. Grace was said by the chaplain, Mr. Joseph Cameron, and when full justice was done to the good things provided the toasts of the Queen and the President of the United States were duly honored. Mr. Cameron replied for the Queen, and Mr. Tobin, of Rochester, N.Y., spoke well of President Cleveland, during which he showed that the United States and Canada were in accord on poultry and pet stock, as one maintained the eagle, a noble bird, and the other looked after the beaver. (Cheers.) The toast of the Ontario

Poultry Association brought forth an eloquent speech from Mr. McNeill of London, during which he gave the audience some useful knowledge gathered during his long experience as a poultry breeder. He complimented his St. Catharines' friends on their fine exhibit and their unstinted hospitality, and humorously referred to one of their active members, Mr. Crowie, whom he thought had every reason to crow as loud as any cock in the walk.

Mr. Jarvis, of London, also spoke and humorously told them of his early experiences with chickens. He urged the members to have *nothing but the best breeds*, and to keep aloof from those birds of which it is hard to tell bones from feathers. People might talk about cattle ranches, and agriculture, but his experience showed him that a well-fattened chicken, a duck, goose, or turkey, or even a good fresh egg, was as highly appreciated by the public as prize beef or mutton. (Cheers) He advised the combining of our frontier poultry shows with those in the State of New York, and theirs with ours, for he always found those over the lines to be good lovers of such stock, and liberal to help others.