

POULTRY

BRANTFORD POULTRY, PIGEON AND PET STOCK ASSOCIATION.

THE regular monthly meeting of the above association was held in Temperance Hall, on Thursday May 18th. The president, Mr. Buck, being absent, R. F. Holterman was elected to the chair which he filled very creditably. After the necessary business was despatched including the reception of new members, several applying for membership, an interesting and very profitable programme was entered into.

A. McMeans, the Assistant-Secretary brought forward a pair of silver Sebright Bantams. After being scored judgment was duly pronounced on them. He then read a very interesting paper on white Cochins upon which a lengthy discussion followed. The best method of preserving eggs for future use, next receiving attention, W. Courtnage and others taking part, after which a very pleasant and profitable evening was brought to a close. The society although a young one is booming and is on the high road to success

A. McMEANS,
Ass't Sec.

LONDON POULTRY AND PET STOCK ASSOCIATION.

THE regular meeting of the London Association for the month of May, was held in their room Albion Block on the evening of the 18th inst.

President McNeil in the chair with a fair attendance of members.

Minutes of our previous meeting were read and confirmed.

There were no fowls brought up for competition at this meeting, the members reports of the seasons hatch and condition of their stock taking up the greater part of the evening. The reports from most of the members were to the effect that a large number of chicks had been hatched (more than usual at this date) and still there are more to follow. The season in this district has not been very favorable to the rearing of chicks, but the "boys" seem to have been equal to the occasion, as they report chicks are coming along finely and growing fast.

Mr. McCormick reported having recently imported a very fine black Cochin cockerel from one of the best breeders

in England, and spoke of him as being a grand specimen of the breed, from which he expects to have something fine in chicks this fall.

It was decided that we adjourn, not to meet until our regular meeting night in August. Receipts \$5.00.

London, May 20th, 1893.

R. OKE,
Secretary.

MONTREAL POULTRY ASSOCIATION.

THE regular monthly meeting of the society was held on the 2nd of May, W. H. Ulley, Esq., President in the chair.

There was a large attendance of members.

Owing to the success of the last show the members were desirous that the next one should eclipse all previous efforts. The largest building available in the city will be secured and many new features of interest will be added. It is contemplated to have an artificial pond erected, and arrangements will be made with one of the largest breeders in the States for a supply of young ducks during the exhibition. It is also intended to build a Pheasantry, so that these magnificent birds may be exhibited to the best advantage.

More attention will be paid to the artificial hatching of birds, inducements will be made to large manufacturers of incubators to have machines in operation during the exhibition. It is intended that the new system of the decimal score card shall be in operation and to secure the efficient working of the same, Mr. I. K. Felch has been asked to judge the show which will be held in the last week of January 1894. In addition to the cups to be competed for which are now held by Messrs. Oldreive & Nicol of Kingston and A Thompson of Allan's Corners, additional cups will be offered and the society hopes to be able to offer money prizes for all varieties.

DEFECTS IN BUFF PLUMAGE.

BY H. S. BABCOCK.

A BUFF fowl should be buff from head to tail. No other color should be allowed and the plumage be deemed perfect. The under color, though of a lighter shade, should hold the buff to the skin and even the quills of the feathers should be buff. To obtain all this may be difficult, but perfection is something not to be bought at a low price. Even in the best colored specimens defects