

ennial matter was being run by two or three parties connected with the society; and the perusal of the circular, above referred to, seems to indicate the same. I have learned, furthermore, that a meeting of last year's Executive Committee, was called by the Secretary, by postal cards, saying, "On Society's Business," last November, (without naming what was the particular kind of business.) At that meeting, I am told, Centennial matters were arranged. Think of it! These important items of the Society's business arranged, without consulting the membership. What means it? Is our Provincial Poultry Society henceforth to be run by two or three individuals? If such is the case, dissolution is certain. I submit, for the good of the Society, the following thoughts, feeling certain the Editors of the C. P. Journal will endorse the same.

First.—The Executive Committee were wrong in arranging these important matters, without having their designs confirmed by the membership of the Society; and more especially when the opportunity occurred at the annual meeting.

Second.—The two or three members now attending to these matters are wrong in doing so without the co-operation of the now Executive Committee, with the approval of the Society's membership.

For these two reasons, I think it necessary, under existing circumstances, that an immediate special meeting of the Society be held, to go over what has been done in Centennial matters; correct errors, appoint selection Committee, and party or parties to accompany birds to the Exhibition.

Yours truly,  
AN OFFICE BEARER  
of the Ontario Poultry Society.

### *Hints to Beginners.*

#### **Feeding and Care of Young Chickens.**

When the chicks are ten days or a fortnight old, I advise feeding as follows: oatmeal and shorts in equal quantities, with a little bone meal, and a quantity of fresh grass, cut up fine. Moisten with boiling water, mixing thoroughly, and having it as dry as possible. When cool, give it to the chicks, being careful to give them all they will eat, but not mixing more than will suffice for one meal, as fresh made feed is always best. Feed thus every four hours, and every alternate week change to corn-meal instead of oatmeal. The last meal at night should be grain. If you have not a good large run for your chicks, give a quantity of fresh dug worms, daily, or fine chopped meat. Give plenty of milk, (if convenient,) and a constant supply of fresh water. Keep feeding and drinking dishes sweet and clean. Clean up manure twice a week where the chicks roost, dusting with flour of sulphur.

Yours truly,  
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### *Centennial.*

The arrangement of the poultry show at the Centennial, we are informed by Mr. Fraser, Secretary of Ontario Advisory Board, has been left to the Ontario Poultry Society. We should therefore think it absolutely necessary, that there