

time for this meeting. They will be published in the report to the Department.

There are several recommendations to this Association which I think should be taken up by the new Board of Directors at their first meeting, certainly at some meeting, and I would recommend that all the members who have ideas which they think would be for the betterment of the Association correspond with me that I might lay the communications before the Board for this purpose.

When I have a little more leisure I purpose preparing quite a number myself, and trust that other members will take the same interest in these matters.

The usual occurrence takes place again this year, that of some of the older members being absent and a large number of new ones taking their places.

Before taking my seat I wish to thank the officers of this Association for the kindly manner in which they have treated me during the past year and assure them I shall do all in my power to merit a continuation of their kindness.

THOS. A. BROWNE.

#### OWEN SOUND POULTRY ASSOCIATION.

An enthusiastic meeting of the above Association was held on February 7th, when several matters were discussed. A member complained that Ashbury Bros. had got some one to disfigure the secretary's entry book so that the entries of pyle Bants cock, cockerel and pullet, which they purchased from Mr. Foster, of Brampton, after they were judged, were made to appear as if they bred and owned them prior to the judging. This was done without the consent of the secretary or Association. The one who made the alteration acknowledged it and apologized as he didn't know he was doing wrong, understanding at the time that Mr. Foster was agreeable. The apology was accepted and the secretary instructed to let the public know through the REVIEW that Ashbury Bros. were not the winners of the said three prizes. Also by reference to a scribbling book in which entries were taken down by the one who totaled them up, it was found that the score of Mr. R. C. Ferguson's black Minorca pullet should have read 92 instead of 90 which would give him 2nd place. The secretary was instructed to forward Mr. Ferguson his prize money (50c) and

make note of the correction in his paper the "Canadian Poultry News," also send note to the REVIEW. The annual meeting for the election of officers, selection of dates, judges, etc., will be held on the first Tuesday in March.

ROBERT R. CAMERON, Secretary.

Owen Sound, Feb. 10, 1899.

#### MR. GRAHAM HAS CHANGED HIS MIND

NOW WANTS THE SCORE CARD.

#### EDITOR REVIEW.

I WAS one of the people who sang out "Hear, hear," when a motion was made at one of our annual meetings, held at Guelph, I think, to do away with scoring. I now think that we then made a mistake and I would like to see it rectified. Judging by comparison will do very well for those who go with their birds to the show—they can see about what relation their birds bear towards the winners, even if they do not win, and by sizing the show up can see about where they stand. Not so with the parties who have to stay at home. If their birds do not win there is no way by which they can tell whether they were close up to the winners or at the foot of the class, and if you wish to sell or buy a bird that failed to get a ticket there is no way to give or receive information about the bird, only that in the seller's estimation it is all right. As I was myself unable this year to go to Toronto I feel the truth of what I write, and had I thought of it when making my entries I would have paid the 10c extra to have had all my birds scored, but this is an additional expense that I do not think should be loaded onto the exhibitors, and the scoring in such cases would not likely be done with the same care as if scored for the prizes. All in favor of a return to the score card, up hands!

A. W. GRAHAM.

St. Thomas, Ont., Feb. 14, 1899.

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