Morgan handed out judgement, siving him \$125 and costs, deciding against the city's contention that they are not bound to provide sewers for surface water, and that in any case the thaw and flood were extraordinary and unexpected. DuVernet & Jones for the plaintiff and Mr. Fullerton for the city.

# MR. A. G. H. LUXTON, HAMILTON,

left for a visit to England last month. While there he will look up the principal Indian Game breeders, in which breed he is interested.

# RIDGETOWN BANQUETS MR. GRIGG.

A local paper says: Mr. A. J. Grigg, a popular citizen, who has carried on a jewellery business here for some time, was given a complimentary banquet at the Arlington Hotel last night. A fairly representative gathering was present and a most pleasant evening was spent. MacKay, B.A., occupied the chair, while Mayor Watson was seated in the vice-chair. Mr. Crigg leaves Ridgetown to-day for Clinton, where he will conduct the business of his uncle, Mr. Biddlecomb, who retires.

#### A HATCHING EXPERIENCE.

A valued correspondent writes: Mr. R. T. Crost of Laskay, York Co., Ont., reports a hatching experience which is interesting, as it shows in a most convincing manner the folly of in and in breeding. Mr. Croft purchased a quantity of black Minorca eggs for hatching about the 1st of March last. These he placed in a Toronto Incubator, with the result of 47 chicks out of 167 eggs. As Mr. Croft had hatched 35 chicks from 36 fertile eggs the previous fall he concluded that the eggs were at fault, and not the machine, so to test the matter he placed 110 eggs in the machine from his own fowls and 80 eggs from the same flock of black Minorcas as before. On testing the eggs 102 from his own fowls were found fertile, and 97 strong chicks were hatched. Of the black Minorca eggs only 46 were fertile and 17 chickens hatched, and very weak ones at that. On further investigation Mr. Crost discovered that the man from whom he purchased the eggs had not introduced any new blood into his flock for five years, and in addition to that had been following the worst possible course year after year, by killing the old rooster and replacing him with one of his sons. Is it any wonder the eggs would not hatch? Mr. part of Mr. Gilbert's annual reports.

Croft expressed his opinion in unmistakeable terms to the man who would impose on the public by selling such eggs for hatching.

#### IN AND IN BREEDING

has no fears for us if intelligently carried out, but that of a promiscuous nature is fatal to constitution and, of course, success. Constitution, health, size, fertility, can be built up as well as down, by the use of none but the most vigorous stock, and the experience of our most successful breeders will show this.

### MINORCAS IN EARLY SEASON,

as far as our experience goes, will not give a high ratio of fertile eggs, especially so where the cocks are not dubbed or where old males are used.

# BRANTFORD POULTRY ASSOCIATION.

N Thursday evening, June 11, a number of poultry fanciers met in the Court House, Brantford to organize a Poultry and Pet Stock Association to hold a winter show and to select a committee to work in conjunction with the Southern Fair board who propose to hold a grand fair, birds to be shown singly. The officers elected were: - President, Geo. Wright; Vice-President, Thomas Raines; Secretary, J. H. Marshall; Treasurer. Geo. A. Weightman; Committee, A. McEvoy, D. McKenzie, J. Cameron, R. C. Middlemiss, C. W. Griffith, J. E. Oberlin, John McDonald, John Hawthorne, Stephen Green, John Hill, John Lewis, Geo. Huber, Thomas Lunn, John Foley, Fred. Keen, Joseph Norris, R. Hamilton, Norman Fountiar, R. L. Lundy, Henry Shaver, S. Suddaby, W. M. Cortnage, Hartley Waddington, Joseph Potts, James Burns. The President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer were appointed to act with the Southern Fair Board.

The meeting adjourned for one week.

J. H. MINSHALL, Secretary.

Brantford, June 15, 1896.

Fowls, London, England, the most practical of the English papers reprints from REVIEW in its issue of June 18th. Mr. Paton's article on poultry house and the Brandon and