

the cradle and gather it in by itself, they thresh it by itself and they have a sample better than the average of the field as a whole. In breeding horses, cattle and sheep we follow along that line all the time; but in poultry raising some of our people have no regard for this at all. In time you can run anything out no matter how good it is at the start. Again it is not enough to make proper selections; our poultry will need to be properly housed, receive better attention and be given the right kind of food to bring about the best results.

These matters may all be determined by the Association by discussion and interchange of opinion, which when placed in print form a guide and an inspiration to thousands who cannot attend your meetings in person. I am not here to tell the members of this Association how they ought to conduct their business, but merely to give you some encouragement in the good work you have in hand. I am here to render any assistance I can in helping you to give the information you have at your command to the masses of the people. I am thinking of their interests, the interests of the poor man who is struggling for assistance in this country; of the man who is seeking light along these lines and wants information. I want that our Government should do what it can to give these people this light and information.

I believe you have started on a new era in connection with this Association. I think that now you have decided to move your exhibition from place to place you will add to the interest and usefulness of the Association, year by year. I would like to ask every member to take hold vigorously of the work. With a short-hand reporter to report your proceedings, if the gentlemen present when papers are read will throw themselves into the discussions with a little vigor and give out the knowledge you possess, you will find that it is a great deal "more blessed to give than to receive,"—but I will guarantee that you will not only give but receive as well. You yourselves will be benefited, the masses of the people will be also benefited, and the poultry industry in our Province will assume the proportions that our climate and the intelligence of our farmers make it possible to reach. (Applause.)

Mr. J. E. Meyer read an essay on Poultry, of interest chiefly to farmers. Mr. Bogue had no written essay prepared, but spoke for a few minutes on general subjects. Mr. McCormick chose the egg question, and spoke on preserving for a length of time in particular. Discussion on the various topics was freely and harmoniously indulged in. Mr. John D. Moore, M.P.P., a resident of Galt, was invited to speak by the President. Mr. Moore was familiar with the exporting of eggs and stated that from his county the first

start in this business was made. Mr. C. J. Daniels read a short paper on Poultry shows and their relative value to the farmer, and Mr. C. F. Ernst a lengthy essay on Poultry in general. Mr. J. B. Plumb went entirely into statistics, which he appeared to have at his fingers ends, and warmly welcomed exhibitors to his town.

#### NEXT SHOW AT NEW HAMBURG.

Nominations were here taken for place of holding next show, Port Hope being supported by Messrs. Bogue and McCormick, Guelph by Messrs. Coulson and Crowe, and New Hamburg by Messrs. Peine and Fox. Discussion here waxed quite sultry and tactics were indulged in that we should be lacking in honesty if we permitted to pass without a strong protest; as a matter of fact the Chairman lost control of the meeting, which degenerated into what can be called by no other name than a disorderly mob. At political or any other kind of meeting we have never seen anything quite so bad. Finally, after a second ballot being taken, New Hamburg was declared the place selected and the vote made unanimous.

The following are the officers elected: President, C. F. Ernst; 1st Vice-President, A. Bogue, 2nd Vice-President, G. G. Oldrieve; Delegates to Industrial Exhibition, J. Dilworth and W. Barber, to Western Fair, G. S. McCormick and J. Saunders; Auditors, H. B. Donovan and T. A. Duff; Executive Committee, W. McNeil, R. E. Kent, T. M. Burn, F. Goebel, W. Barber, John Cole, T. Rice, J. Colson, and D. C. Trew. At a subsequent meeting of the Directors Messrs. T. A. Browne and George G. McCormick were again elected Secretary and Treasurer respectively.

#### THE SHOW.

The entries exceeded those of last year, and the quality in most, if not, indeed, all cases, was higher than we have ever seen. The building in which the show was held was bad, very unsuitable, the light being exceedingly bad, and the passage ways and aisles narrow and dark. This is to be improved on next year. The feeding and watering could not be better done, and as for exhibitors they were taken in hand and made at home at once. The New Hamburg fanciers are a jolly, go-ahead lot and deserve the success that has attended their efforts. We regret we were unable to spend more time with them. Mr. Browne worked like a Trojan and his part was, as usual, well done. We understand all prize money was paid within a week or so of the closing of the show, and doubtless the Treasurer. Mr. McCormick, was the moving spirit in this, by no means the least necessary part of the programme.