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HE usual make-up of the Review is a little changed this month, to permit of the printing of several important articles which have been in type for months, but have been excluded by the pressure of other matter. We think, however, that our readers will unite with us in saying that this is "a good number."

The London Poultry and Pet Stock Association has shown its loyalty to the Empire by donating \$10 to one of the patriotic funds for the boys in South Africa.

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Mr. Sharp Butterfield completcd his judging season at Cairo. Mich., a couple of weeks ago. He officiated at over thirty shows the past season, and has been asked to give dates for nearly 100 the coming season.

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The Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, 'phoned Mr. Daniels a iew days ago for a 220 egg Cyphers incubator. Mr. Graham evidently likes the machine.

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A line from Mr. Dewey, the genial Toronto Association sectetary, informs us that at the last meeting the very general report was "very few early chicks." I want to congratulate you on the great improvement you have made in your Review, and I am sure it must be very encouraging to you, for the great quantity of ads. you have proves a large circulation. Yours truly,

# S. BUTTERFIELD. London, April 5, 1900.

The poultrymen of Winnipeg have organized a Winnipeg Poultry Association and have made application for affiliation with the Manitoba Poultry Association. We understand their applicaton was accepted. The officers elected are as follows: Honorary President. Hon. Hugh John Macdonald: president, George Wood, Louise Bridge; vice-president, Wm. Rutherford; secretary-treasurer, George Harcourt; executive committee, Messrs. J. E. Munroe, King, Webb, Aldritt, A. Mitchell and R. J. Hinds.

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Mr. A. G. Gilbert was in Toronto on April 26th and 27th, investigating the cause of poor hatching during the past season. It does not appear to be confined to any one district, but the complaint is general. Mr. Gilbert also visited Mr. Graham, at Guelph, where the same wail is heard "no early chicks."

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Accompanied by Mr. Graham, Mr. Gilbert visited the plant of the Toronto Poultry and Garden Produce Co., where he reports the stock looking in splendid shape, strong, hardy and vigorous. Mout two thousand five hundred chicks were in evidence. For some time here the hatches have averaged remarkably well, a recent test giving but nineteen clear eggs out of a total of 203. Besides the manager, two men and a boy are at present employed on this great plant.

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We are glad to know from Mr. Essex that he is enjoying life in his new location at Quincy, Ill., and that his interest in buff Rocks is as strong as ever, in fact by a recent catalogue of unique design received from him, which, by the way, he will be well pleased to send enquirers, we should surmise that his "fever" had increased rather than shown signs of any abatement. Mr. Essex has been a loval subject of the buff Plymouth Rock and has bred them good enough to win for many years.

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The Government Farms at Ottawa and Guelph have respectively purchased fine breeding barred Plymouth Rock cockerels from Mr. Geo. W. Miller, of London, to improve their flocks of this sterling breed. In the case of the Guelph farm, the cockerel was purchased to replace a famous New York winner that was not giving satisfaction.