

INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION, TORONTO.

MEETING OF SUB-COMMITTEES.

A MEETING of the Sub-Committee appointed at the meeting of the Poultry Committee was held on April 7th, Mr. Joseph Dilworth in the chair. Present, Messrs. Thomas A. Duff, William Barber and William Fox.

On motion, it was recommended that Class 65 (of 1895 list) be struck out, and the following substituted :

CLASS —.

Sec. 1. For the incubator hatching the largest per centage of live chickens or ducks. No machine to contain less than seventy-five fertile eggs at the time same is brought to the Exhibition. Any machine having less than this number of fertile eggs to be excluded from this particular competition, but can compete in Secs. 2 and 3, provided they comply with the conditions thereof. First prize \$10, and certificate as to hatch ; second prize, diploma.

All exhibitors of machines competing for the above prizes must conform to the following rules :

1. Each person on first exhibiting will be required to sign a certificate to the effect that all the eggs in machine have been in incubator the full time required for hatch, and that none of such eggs have ever been set under hens or ducks.
2. All machines competing in Sec. 1 must be on the grounds by the evening of Tuesday, September 1st ; all other machines and articles covered by this class to be placed in position not later than Thursday, September 3rd, at noon.
3. All machines competing in Sec. 1 must have the hatch concluded by Saturday, 5th September, at 4 p.m., and to be then ready for the judges to award the prizes.
4. All machines competing in Sec. 1 may compete in Secs. 2 and 3, provided they conform to the provisions of such sections.
5. The Committee would suggest that all competitors should place the eggs in their machines on the 13th or 14th of August, so as to have the hatching uniform.

Sec. 2. For the best incubator (not necessarily in operation) irrespective of price. In deciding this award, workmanship, ventilation, moisture, regulator, and general simplicity and efficiency of operation will be considered. All machines placed in competition to be the same as regularly sold to customers. First prize, silver medal ; second prize, diploma.

Sec. 3. For the best incubator (not necessarily in operation), selling price of which not to exceed \$15. In decid-

ing this award workmanship, ventilation, moisture, regulator, and general simplicity and efficiency of operation will be considered. Incubators of any size may compete, so long as same are sold to customers for \$15 or less. First prize, bronze medal ; second prize, diploma.

Sec. 4. For the best brooder. First prize, bronze medal ; second prize, diploma.

Sec. 5. For the best and easiest running bone cutter to be operated by hand. First prize, bronze medal, second prize, diploma.

Sec. 6. For the best coop for shipping fancy fowl, constructed in such a manner as will comply with the new express tariff, which is as follows : "Poultry, live; other than for market, if shipped in coops made of wood, whether covered with cloth or not, and so constructed that coops may be piled one on another, or on which light parcels may be piled, charge merchandise rate." First prize, diploma.

For any other article in the way of poultry appliances, and not specified in this class, the judges may, in their discretion, award a diploma.

Classes were made for Homing Pigeons (both old and young) and rules adopted governing the contests.

THOMAS A. DUFF, Secretary of Meeting.

MR. JARVIS AT HOME.

ON Good Friday Messrs. W. McNeil, J. H. Saunders, and myself visited the Poultry Department of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. Mr. A. Bogue was to have accompanied us, but as there was a fierce snow storm raging at the train time he, no doubt, got snowed in, for he failed to connect.

On our arrival at Guelph, we at once proceeded to the Farm, about one and a half miles south of the city, "electric cars to the door."

We received a hearty welcome from Superintendent Jarvis, who took us in hand and showed us through his department, and we were very much pleased with the arrangements of the several buildings and also with the quality of the stock. At the time of our visit Mr. Jarvis had fourteen pens mated for breeding, comprising varieties that they consider best adapted for a general purpose fowl from a farmer's standpoint, *i.e.*, for eggs and table purposes. The stock all looked in excellent health and condition and Mr. Jarvis informed us that they were laying well. Each pen is provided with a scratching yard under cover, adjoining their roosting quarters, and they are well supplied with oyster shells, grit, etc., and although the weather was very stormy