

fowls, but such breeds exist and but barely exist, and all because their owners are afraid of fresh blood. Critical cases demand desperate remedies sometimes, and though I do not deem the introduction of alien blood necessarily a desperate remedy, I think others do and would better apply it. Properly managed on the lines laid down, it is the best and sometimes the only means that can be successfully used in renovating and restoring a worn-out, moribund breed.

#### INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION, TORONTO.

##### MEETING OF POULTRY COMMITTEE.

THIS meeting was held on March 16th, the following members being present: Messrs. J. Dilworth, (Chairman), T. A. Duff, W. Barber and Jno. Miles, Toronto; A. Bogue and W. McNeil, London; J. S. Moorecraft and W. H. Dustan, Bowmanville; Jas. Main and W. E. Mitchell, Milton; W. H. Hall, Markham; J. W. Holmes, Brown's Corners; L. G. Pequegnat and L. Peine, New Hamburg; R. H. Hodgson, Brampton.

On motion, Mr. H. B. Donovan was appointed Secretary of meeting.

A letter was read from Mr. Geo. Taunt, and two from Mr. C. S. Jackson. It was decided not to receive delegates from any Association within 20 miles of Toronto, and Associations sending delegates must have a standing of one year or over. This does not apply to delegates of the Toronto or Ontario Associations who are by law, members of the Association. On motion of Mr. Bogue, seconded by Duff, the letters read were received and ordered to be filed.

The following changes were made in the list: A. O. V. Ornamental or Game Bantams to be divided into two classes, one for Games and one for

Ornamental. In breeding pens the following changes to be made: Brahmas, light, do. dark; Cochins, partridge and buff, do. any other color; P. Rocks, barred, do. white; Game, black-red, do. any other color; Hamburgs, black, do. pencilled, do. spangled; Leghorns, white, do. brown, do. any other color; Polands black or white, do. any other color; Wyandottes, black or white, do. any other color; Game Bants same as large Game; ornamental Bants, Sebright and any other variety. Prizes on Turkeys and Geese in old classes to be \$2.50, \$2.00 and \$1.00. In poultry appliances, silver medal will be given for the best arranged interior of a poultry house which never has been exhibited before. Silver medal for the incubator hatching the largest percent age during the exhibition. All incubators competing must be placed in charge of the Chairman of the Committee during the whole time of incubation. No prize to be given unless 75 per cent or over of fertile eggs are hatched. Diploma to be given for best brooder.

It was recommended that any exhibitor paying entrance fees of \$3 or over, receive an exhibitors pass for the second week of the exhibition.

The following judges were appointed: Messrs. S. Butterfield, L. G. Jarvis, T. H. Smelt and J. Y. Bicknell in poultry. Mr. I. B. Johnston, in pigeons and pet stock.

In future the Superintendent and attendants will not be permitted to exhibit. Mr. C. J. Daniels was recommended for Superintendent, subject to the foregoing rule. If he declines to act the matter was left in the hands of the local committee, as was also the apportioning the various classes to the judges. Judging is to commence at 9 o'clock sharp on Tuesday morning of the show week.

After a cordial vote of thanks was tendered the chairman, the meeting adjourned.

#### LONDON POULTRY AND PET STOCK ASSOCIATION.

REGULAR meeting of the London Poultry and Pet Stock Association was held in their room, Albion Block, on the evening of the 17th inst. President McNeil in the chair, with a good attendance of members. Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. Two new members (Messrs. Brown and Butler) were balloted for and received. Accounts ordered to be paid, &c. Dr. J. S. Niven, reported that he had an interview with Mr. Saunders, of the Dominion Experimental Farm, who was seeking information on the probable amount of space required for the Ontario poultry exhibit at the World's Fair. Also mode of forwarding, starting point, etc. Mr. Saunders stated that it was the intention of the Dominion Government to forward and return all exhibits free of expense to the exhibitors. The matter was discussed at some length and considered somewhat of a conundrum to get at the probable amount of space required. It is altogether probable that the mode of selecting the poultry will be something similar to that adopted for the Centennial Exhibition, namely, by selecting two or three central starting points and have the poultry forwarded there and a commission appointed to select worthy specimens.

Mr. McNeil having been in attendance at the meeting of the Poultry Committee, Industrial Exhibition, Toronto, with Mr. Bogue, reported a good meeting and some alterations to the prize-list suggested to the Board with regard to breeding pens, etc. Further comment is unnecessary as no doubt you will publish a full account of the proceedings. It was moved by Mr. McCormick that Messrs. Bogue and McNeil draw on the Treasurer for the amount of their expenses incurred