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WE have received a very encouraging letter from Mr. E. Dickenson, Jr., of North Glanford, in reference to our first issue, the October number. He says:—"Allow me to congratulate you as Editor and Publisher of the C. B. J., our "National Journal," on this your first number. I think it is worth the price of what is charged for the whole year. The bee-keepers of this Dominion should be proud to have one of their number come to the front and take up this work. I wish you every success." We fear the words are a bit too flattering, but nevertheless we were very pleased to receive the above letter, more especially because it was the first of its kind. We can assure our kind reader that we will do all we can to make the C. B. J. pleasing and profitable to him and all bee-keepers in the future.

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We have an enquiry from a reader in Montcalm County, Quebec, in reference to the rendering of wax. He says: "I should like information on rendering wax. I have a wax press and a wax extractor, but I am unable to obtain good, clean wax, failing to control it when it is melted. I would like to know the method of cooling wax, in order to secure a clean article without any loss." He does not say what kind of a wax press or extractor he has. We will deal

with this subject next month as the November issue was provided for when above was received. Perhaps Mr. Byer or some of our other readers with experience can give aid to our friend.

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Mr. M. B. Holmes, of Athens, one of our foul brood inspectors, never does anything by halves. In flowery and eloquent style was his report, which we publish in another column. It will be noticed in that report that he visited a bee yard to which he had not been invited, nor from which had he received a report. On examining the yard, he found the disease. What a fortunate thing for the owner of that yard! This is INSPECTION. Now that we have the inspectors, let them go about and inspect. We do not believe it wise for our inspectors to go only where they are invited. There may be many persons with limited experience and a few hives who know nothing of its presence. In cases of this kind lies the great danger of foul brood. The experienced bee keeper can detect it at once, and apply remedies; not so the inexperienced man. Let us have inspection, disease or no disease, and then if it is found, it will be found in its incipiency. The letter which we publish in another column, signed "Aetate Progrediens," evidently comes from the hand of one who has