

found missing. The bees also work in a listless, don't-care spirit.

Then, dead bees lying round, their appearance, their dropping on the entrance-board, the smell of the hive, dead grubs, and cocoons of wax-moth, all have their tale to tell to the apiarist.

The hearing also plays an important part, as by the sound you can tell the temper of your friends, and locate a queen if there are several in the hive, as she has her own distinct note.

From the foregoing you will see the necessity of using your eye, ears, hands, and your brains also, if you wish to make a successful apiarist. "Knowledge is power" as much in handling bees as in anything.—The Agriculturalist.

Communications.

Editor Canadian Bee Journal:

Please allow me to remind the readers of your journal that the next convention of the National Bee Keepers' Association will be held at Chicago, Ill., on the 28th, 29th and 30th of August next, commencing on Tuesday evening the 28th.

The session will be held in Wellington Hall, No. 70, North Clark street, about a block and a half from the office of the American Bee Journal, and about five blocks directly north of the Court House. The hotel at which lodgings, etc., may be secured is the Revere House, on the southeast corner of Clark and Michigan street, only about half a block from the hall. Rates for lodgings will be 50 cents per night,

but several will have to occupy the same room, and the proprietor of the hotel has assured Mr. York that good beds will be furnished. As it may be possible this hotel will not be able to accommodate all the bee keepers, each one should secure a lodging place as soon as possible after arriving in the city. There is generally no trouble in finding enough to eat at reasonable rates.

The program for the meeting will be somewhat different from what it has usually been. It is intended to have one paper at each session and occupy the remainder of the time in asking, answering and discussing questions, the papers will be by such noted bee keepers as Mr. Thos. W. Cowan of England, Mrs. Asklin of Minn., Dr. Howard of Texas, Herman F. Moore of Ill., S. A. Niver of New York, and Mr. Atkin of Colo., and the question box will be in charge of such old veterans as D. W. Heise of Canada, C. P. Dadant, Dr. Miller, and Geo. W. York, editor American Bee Journal, of Illinois, Hon. R. L. Taylor of Michigan, and O. O. Poffleton of Florida.

As yet I have been unable to learn what the railroad rates of fare will be, but presume they will be the same as heretofore for the G. A. R. encampment, one and one-third fare for the round trip from some localities, one fare from some other territory, and one cent per mile each way in the Central Passenger Association territory. Any station agents will furnish needed information on this matter as soon as they get their instructions.

A. B. MASON, Secretary.

"I was just doing it to pass the time," "as if you could kill time without injuring eternity!"

The

The
locality
basswo
of this
month,
except
interfe
manag
contint
C. B.
caring
of surp
require
from
All su
extract
the hor
soon af

If tl
contrac
last mo
close o
little o
chambe
close o
brood-c
capacity
insertin
honey,
not co
surplus
moved
will be
and inj

In tl
contrib
spring
a better
ment of
they ca
I wish
all this