

which is generally a desirable result; and the frames of brood in the super cause the bees to go up without any delay. With so good a start as this, it is generally easy to keep the colony so well provided with storage room that they will not get the swarming fever.

Stimulative Feeding

Stimulative feeding has lately become rather discredited. If there were neither fruit-bloom nor dandelions, it might well be adopted; but under ordinary conditions, with a warm hive and plenty of stores, if the hive is not packed full of brood by the first of June it is because the queen is inferior. It is better to put a new queen into the hive than sugar syrup.

Carniolans

A Carniolan queen, or an Italian-Carniolan cross, can generally be depended upon to keep her hive full of brood, and there is no better bee for

the north. I have found them winter better than any others, either in the cellar or out of doors. They build up very fast in the spring, and they seem to have a dogged tenacity at work that far out-paces the blacks, and even the Italians. It is true that they need some watching to prevent swarming. They will not stand being crowded for a minute, and this makes them troublesome for comb honey, for which they are otherwise excellently adapted. The queens are rather hard to find, but I have found that an excellent combination is an Italian queen mated with a Carniolan drone. The yellow queen is vividly conspicuous among the dark bees.

It is said that the Carniolan bee is considerably longer-lived than the Italian. I should like to know whether this is true. If so, it would partly account for their better wintering qualities.

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TELL-A-ME

"Buzzer, buzzer, buzzer,
Where you going, tell-a-me?"

"I am going after honey,"
Answered back the little bee.

"Buzzer, buzzer, buzzer,
Where'll you get it, tell-a-me?"

"From the pretty flowers,"
Answered back the little bee.

"Buzzer, buzzer, buzzer,
Where'll you put it, tell-a-me?"

"In a little cell of comb,"
Answered back the little bee.

"Buzzer, buzzer, buzzer,
Why'll you keep it, tell-a-me?"

"For eating in the winter,"
Answered back the little bee.

—Margaret Davis Field.

We are glad to note that Miss Field, who has contributed so acceptably to this department, gave an address on "Bee-keeping From a Woman's Standpoint" at the Lincoln and Welland convention. She tells us privately that it required all her courage. We hope to persuade her to send in some of the good things she said, that we may all enjoy them. This will not require so much courage as speaking at a convention.

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After leaving Essex county, my work took me up to Victoria and Peterboro counties. Unfortunately, we were there just at the time of the big storm, and

this seriously interfere. At Warsaw, however, considerable interest in I was asked to take subject. At Warsaw live Woman's Institute the women are opportunity, and, consequently, of them are thinking. We may hear from in this department.

At the time of winter my bees are still so that I cannot tell wintered. I have heard from a number of in neighborhood, and their bees have wintered the time at which we a peep into the hive tions are satisfactory.

THE WINTER DISTRICT CONVENTION

Did you attend the Convention held in Ilderton you missed a treat—a way of conventions. I once discussed foul brood controversy of Italian did not even raise Anguish, as chairman committee, was indefatigable, and is to be congratulated on their success. Pettit was there; Midgley feels that they have on the Provincial Apia old member of the Association there was Mr. Tyrrell's Review," with 1 pointed practical suggestion: Clark of Cainsville, with the "Better Farming" us how fruit, bees and I successfully combined; hiser, of Buffalo, whom O.B.K. convention all man full of good practical and a host of lesser making good in the bee. The president, Mr. after extending a welcoming bee-keepers, spoke good that could be done District Convention moving