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The editor of THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, owing to circumstances over which he had no control, was unable to give any personal supervision to the getting out of the October issue. More than that, until late in the month, he could not even get together the report of the North American Beekeepers' convention. The fact is simply this: we (I) have not felt well for some time, and in Montreal we were compelled to take to bed with malarial fever, or, as some call it, a light touch of typhoid fever. At this date of writing, October 9th, we have gained enough strength to get out to the office for an hour or two a day. Our many friends will confer a great favor by sending in contributions for future numbers. Many can write if they only will give some of their experiences. If they cannot write in elegant penmanship, they can give us good practical experience, and whilst good language and good English cannot be despised if the two do not go hand in hand, good practical thoughts are rather to be desired.

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Those who attended the North American Beekeepers' convention were surely amply rewarded by meeting with Rev. L. L. Langstroth, father of modern beekeeping in America, if not the whole world. At the convention he gave several very pleasing addresses of interest to everyone present, particularly in connection with the importation of the European bees. Since this was written Mr. Langstroth has died (see page 666). The

attendance was not as great as expected. Quite a few who signified their intention to be present did not come. A bad honey flow is generally followed by slim bee-keepers' conventions. The Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture, very kindly gave an address of welcome, and in his usual pleasing style Dr. James Mills, president of the Ontario Agricultural college, Guelph, also spoke in a forcible and interesting manner. Both gentlemen are the friends of bee-keepers.

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It appears that two men on Jordan street, Toronto, have been writing very freely to bee-keepers for quotations on honey, and many have received orders for several hundreds of pounds. We could give some startling information, but it will be sufficient to tell our readers to be very careful. A man may be a little slow in paying, his pay may come in slow also, but the important point to find out is, what kind of a financial rating has he got. If a bank or mercantile agency cannot recommend him, do not deal with him. If personally known to you as a man of integrity, yet limited means, it is a different thing. What we speak of is this: A man writes and orders 300 or 400 pounds of honey, perhaps for a college (that sounds well), and he will send P. O. order in a few days. We know of lots who have shipped honey on the strength of no better information and have lost money. Stop that at once.