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Brethren all over the Dominion will rejoice to hear that the next convention of the North American Bee-keepers' Victory Association will be held in the City of Toronto, Canada. It has only met in Canada twice during the last twenty-five years, once at Toronto and once at Brantford, and from the attendance at these conventions our American brethren call us a convention going people. The editor of the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL was the only Canadian present. The trip of some 2200 miles was long, tedious and expensive, but we have always profited by these meetings. The first one we attended was at Rochester, N. Y., in 1881; followed by Detroit, 1885; Chicago, 1887; Columbus, 1888; Brantford, 1889; Albany, 1891; Washington, 1892; Chicago 1893, and St. Joseph in 1894; and we have gained much valuable information in open convention and in private conversation with bee-keepers from all parts of the American continent. But we also went for the benefit of Canadian Bee-keepers. The distance being so great we feared no other Canadians would be present, and knowing that other places would urge their claims for the next convention, we felt the chances for Toronto or Canada would be very slim. It proved as we expected, and Nebraska sent a carload or thereabouts 250 or more miles, a united force intending to take the convention to Lincoln, Nebraska. Brother L. D. Stilson, Editor *Newbraska Bee - Keeper*, York, Neb., urged the claims of that state and read letters from the Mayor and coun-

cil, the Bee-keepers' Association, University and College and other institutions promising everything but the ground upon which the city stands. The claims of Buffalo, N. Y. were urged but they had no representative who spoke by word of mouth for them. The battle raged warmly but in a friendly way. Nebraska's weak point was its being too close to St. Joseph, and we have to thank many leading men taking the part of Canada. The vote was about to be taken when the Canadian representative pledged himself to do all in his power to help Nebraska the following year should the convention vote for Toronto. Friend Stilson, who felt all along he had powerful backing in that carload of bee-keepers, with great generosity of heart jumped up and withdrew in favor of Toronto, so surprised was everyone and we may say so pleased that he was cheered again and again by his own followers, showing their approval in particular. Canadians will not fail to do well by Nebraska and friend Stilson. We do not mind the expense, and although the matter of subscriptions come under the "Strictly Business" we think we are quite justified in reminding those subscribers who are in arrears that to print a paper such as the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL and to make the outlays we do to promote the interests of bee-keepers, requires money constantly. The one who reads this copy of the BEE JOURNAL, if in arrears, is not the only one, so please do not fail to send your subscription, \$1.00, in at once if due. The tendency for subscribers to fall in arrears, and requiring a reminder is one of the unpleasant