

purchased Cuban honey. If that is not coming into active competition with our honey I would like to know what is.

Mr. Dickenson: I will stick to the Old Country market.

The President: There must be something wrong with the importation of honey if parties can come in and compete because there is three cents a pound duty on honey coming into Canada.

Mr. Holtermann: I had a letter within the last two months from Cuba asking me if I would undertake to handle Cuban honey, and I had a sample from there, as far as color goes it is just as white as any honey we have in Canada. I don't know what it was from. I am not going to say it was as good by any means but there are a great many people that use things that are not quite as good. There are even manufacturers that will use honey that is a little thinner where perhaps the better honey would go farther, but we have got to be able to show them that that is the case.

Mr. Heise: I might say that the Cuban honey suited them equally well for their purpose as our white honey.

Mr. Byer: Speaking for the manager of one of our large manufacturing firms' he had a sample of what he called Jamaica honey; it was beautiful to look at and he said it answered their purpose just as well as the very best honey they could buy here. He says, we have had so many tons of that honey laid down here at 7½ cents a pound and we are waiting for further advices and if we can get more at the same prices we are not prepared to pay more for Ontario honey. In three or four days they heard the Jamaica crop was a failure and they paid one half cent a pound more.

Mr. Sibbald: I have seen a sample

of Jamaica honey and it was pretty light, equal to our own honey in color I think; it had a foreign flavor that we might object to but I don't see that it would make any difference for use in baking and that is where it comes into competition with us. I believe half of the honey used is used in manufacturing.

Mr. Whiteside: I would like to say a word in favor of the Bee Journal which came to my relief when I was in a quandary, by giving reports re-



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ceived from different parts of the country.

The President: I think the action of the executive this year in getting those reports had a very important effect in keeping members up to the price. There are always in some parts of the Province poor crops and in other parts good crops and if we could only get bee-keepers to know these things they would not get demoralized and sell the honey too cheaply.