

has done good service in this direction. I believe there is still some difference of opinion as to whether the inspection and grading of fruit should be compulsory. There is, in fact, already a statute providing for this, but I understand that it is to a considerable extent inoperative. If, however, the Fruit Growers' Association believe that it ought to be put in full force, I have little doubt that they will succeed, and it is to be hoped, therefore, that they will move forward in that direction, if such action seems clearly desirable. I have alluded to fruit, but similar observations might be applied to other products, and more especially to those of the Dairy. And not only is watchfulness needed, but we must also agree that a system of cold storage would do much towards enabling the Canadian farmer to enter the British market. As to the association to which I have referred, and others of a similar sort, I think their existence certainly illustrates that recognition on part of the farmers of the need of scientific, as well as energetic, methods of farming, and their existence is therefore doubly to be welcomed. Farming is a pursuit needing skill, brains and all the resources of our community, and, as I have said already, those who promote the agricultural interests, are doing a patriotic work, of benefit not only to themselves, but to future generations."

—Canadian Horticulturist.

In the above, coming from the Governor General, there is that which bee-keepers may well weigh with care. We require scientific, as well as energetic methods of keeping bees. For export, we certainly think that honey, as well fruit, should be inspected and graded. By beginning the export trade in the right way, we will avoid the loss of money and energy from which other countries have suffered so much. At present in Europe, with few exceptions, Canadian honey is unknown. The few who know it, hold it in high estimation. We wish to retain the good opinion of those who know it, and to introduce it to the very many who have, as yet, never heard of it.—ED ]

The sweetness of uses of adversity is one of the things best understood by contemplation from a distance.

The positive knows what will happen three weeks from now, and if it doesn't happen he knew that, too.

## York County Bee-Keepers Meet.

The Y. C. B. A. met at the residence of Mr. P. Byer, Markham, on Tuesday, 26th inst. Among those present were Messrs. W. S. Walton, President, Scarboro Junction; J. Davison, Unionville; D. W. Heise, Bethesda; Wm. McDonald, Unionville; Wm. McEvoy, foul brood inspector for the province, Woodburn; L. Hall, Pine Orchard; A. H. Crosby, Markham; Anthony Lonston, Wexford; R. W. Ward, Claremont; W. B. Button, Ringwood; Jas. Slack, Claremont; L. B. Baker, Ringwood; L. Mapes, W. D. Reesor, D. Brown, Jacob Wideman, Markham; Mr. and Mrs. Ira Badgerow, Ballantray and others.

After the usual formula of opening the meeting, the president made a short address and then called on Mr. J. Davison for a paper on his method of producing comb honey. Mr. Davison has produced a great deal of comb honey and has been very successful in winning prizes for his produce at our agricultural fairs. His remarks, which smacked strongly of experience, were followed by a few comments by Mr. McEvoy and others.

The delegates Messrs. D. W. Heise and L. Mapes, who were sent to represent our society at the annual meeting of the Ontario Bee-Keepers Association held at Brantford in January, were then requested to give their report. After an expression of approval from the society for the work that they had done, Mr. D. W. Heise was asked to read a paper on "Some things we should not do."

Mr. Heise has found out pretty well the things we should not do in bee-keeping.

Perhaps the next time we meet he will tell us "some things we should do."

His paper was well received.

The president then called on Mr. McEvoy for an address. In his opening remarks Mr. McEvoy commended our Government very highly for the bills that they have passed in the interests of apiculture, making reference to the Foul Brood Law, the Spraying Law and the Pure Honey Law. He then talked for a short time on the care and treatment of foul brood. His address was very instructive and was well appreciated.

The President and Secretary were authorized to frame a resolution and to forward the same to our Government, commending them for the work that they have done in the interests of apiculture in our country.

After making Mr. McEvoy an honorary