



"THE GREATEST POSSIBLE GOOD TO THE GREATEST POSSIBLE NUMBER."

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#### THE DEFENCE FUND.

WE shall keep standing in type the names of those who have aided in the best interests of bee-keeping by subscribing to the defence fund in the "McIntosh-Harrison" case. There is no time to be lost. Our action must be prompt and decisive.

A. I. Root, Medina, O.....	\$5
J. K. Darling, Almonte.....	5
Jones, Macpherson & Co., Beeton.....	5
A. L. Swinson, Goldsboro, N.C.....	2
M. B. Holmes, Delta.....	5
G. A. Deadman, Brussels.....	1
J. B. Wrightson, Willow Creek.....	2
R. F. Holtermann, Brantford.....	1
Aspinwall & Treadwell, Barrytown...	5
D. L. Wilson, Newmarket.....	5
Josiah Reaman, Carville.....	2
J. V. Battram, Bridgen.....	1

#### SELLING COMB HONEY BY THE POUND.

COMMENTING on R. F. Holtermann's article on page 770 of last issue of the JOURNAL, why can we not all come down to the practice of selling comb honey *by the pound*? We have been buying considerable lately, and always buy by the pound, and never think of buying by the section. When would any bee-keeper think of doing such a thing? Why then should they think of offering their honey in any other way when they have sections to sell? The only excuse that can be offered, it seems to us, is the fact that they can thus get rid of sections which prob-

ably hold only fourteen or fifteen ounce, and palm them off as *pound* sections. This is not a creditable practice, though we believe, it has been indulged in. An instance was brought to our notice the other day, where a man sold to a dealer in Toronto some hundreds of pounds of comb honey, all of which was sold to him by the section; the consequence was, that many of the sections only weighed from ten to twelve ounces, scarcely any of them reaching fifteen ounces. It does not seem to us necessary that any method should be invented. The fault lies with the bee-keeper to a great extent, and as we cannot, through the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, reach the retailer who buys the honey, we must ask those who sell to have nothing to do with selling by the section, but *always* by the pound. Honesty, if nothing else, demands that this course be pursued. Our principal comb honey raisers *always* sell by the pound and *never* think of doing otherwise. Certainly the quality of honey must be taken into consideration.

#### NOTES FROM THE BRITISH BEE JOURNAL.

In its issue of Dec. 2nd, it reports a meeting of the British Bee-keepers' Association held Nov. 17th, the Honorable and Rev. H. Bligh in the chair. Messrs. Corneil and Jones attended the meeting as representing the Canadian visitors, for the purpose of taking a farewell of the Association prior to their departure to Canada. It goes on to say:

In the absence of the chairman, the