

am not going to grumble. Bees here are doing well now as we are having a good flow of fall honey.

Sarnia, Sept. 5.

C. W. GALE.—One year ago I set out nine colonies, increased to sixteen but lost four by moths in the fall. Took 624 lbs. of section honey all well filled. Lost five colonies last winter and started out with eight this spring, but good ones they were. From one I took 137 lbs. comb honey, from another 115 lbs. Have now twenty-two colonies but my eight have not swarmed this summer, as I have kept adding super after super to prevent them. I use the Langstroth hive. I have two cellars, one dry, the other with cement floor and drain to take off the little water which drips around the sides. Last winter I lost five colonies in the dry one and a year ago none in my cement one. It has been a poor honey season here. I shall get about 450 lbs. from my original eight. I know a bee-keeper who has only secured about 800 lbs. from 135 colonies.

Meadows, N. H.

JOHN M. SWAN.—Bees here died almost out last winter with dysentery. I built a bee-house according to your directions, packed walls with two feet of sawdust; the sawdust was from green wood. Bees were all right up to the first day of March, after that the dysentery set in. For the past three years we have had no surplus honey from clover, all surplus was from golden rod and other fall flowers which yield in abundance until the frost comes, generally about the last of September. I have no one to show me anything about the movable frame hive, and I depend solely on the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL. The Italian queen I got from you has the hive crowded and they are very busy just now. I like the JOURNAL very much, could not get along without it. I have had as many as forty-four hives but am now down to ten. Can average from 60 to 80 lbs extracted per hive, spring count. The majority of beekeepers around here use the old-fashioned box hive.

Tweedside, York Co., N. B. Sept. 2nd.

Michigan Farmer.—H. D. Cutting's experience is that ants can be kept out of an apiary by placing camphor-gum or tansy around the hive. Dadant & Son use salt or sulphur. Hutchinson recommends salt applied to the ant-hills.

New Glasgow, N. S. *Eastern Chronicle*.—The CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, published at Beeton, Ontario, by the D. A. Jones Pub. Company, is a well-got up publication, mechanically and otherwise. It contains a large amount of useful matter for bee-keepers and all in bee-keeping. It is a weekly publication.

The Elora *Express* remarks: "There was a house-warming at Mr. Petrie's residence the other evening. A swarm of bees emerged from a secluded spot and took possession of the new kitchen built last summer. The only way they could be induced to leave was by the aid of smoke. "How doth the little busy bee," etc.

Lewiston (Me) *Journal*.—Stockman, the East Auburn bee man, scored another point the other day. A swarm of bees alighted in Ansel Briggs' big, old-fashioned chimney, and Ansel sent for him to come up and hive them. It took some time to do it, but it was successfully done. The top of the swarm was about 15 inches from the top of the chimney and the other extremity was down four feet. It was a fancy job in lofty acrobatics. Handling a swarm of bees in mid air is apt to be exciting.

Convention Notices.

NORFOLK BEE-KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION.—At Simcoe, Saturday, Sept. 3rd. C. W. CULVER, Sec.-Treas., Simcoe.

NORTH AMERICAN BEE-KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION.—At Chicago, Ill., Nov. 16th to 18th, 1887. W. Z. HUTCHINSON, Sec., Rogersville, Mich.

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