

form our readers that the Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association decided at its annual meeting to keep on demanding the passage through House and Senate of this measure.

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Members regretted the absence of several well-known faces at the convention at Stratford and many private Regrets. enquires were made for our brother E. R. Root, Medina, Ohio. We were sorry to get a letter from "Ernest" some days before the convention stating that although he had recovered from his recent attack of illness he was very liable to catch cold, and did not consider it wise to attend the convention. We shall expect (D. V.) to meet him at Toronto.

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Owing to an absence of three weeks since the convention at Stratford, we are not able to give as much of

Explanations. the report as we would like to. There are also several very important articles which will not well bear delay in publication. Those who have suggestions in connection with the Toronto Industrial Prize list will kindly send them to the editor of the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL at once, or they will be too late to be of any use this year.

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We are more than pleased to tell our readers that a score card to be used in the judging of honey has been authorized by the Ontario Bee - Keepers Association. The card may not be perfect but this system is certainly a long step in the right direction, and it is only a question of time when such a system will be universal. We may later on state how we arrived at the division of the points in preparing the motion brought before the association.

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The many friends of Mr. Gemmell will regret to hear that owing to impaired health he is spending three months F. A. Gemmell in California. Mr. Gemmell is one of our best and most progressive bee-keepers and we expect something of interest from his pen.

We trust he will return to Stratford full-restored to health.

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Owing to careful tests in previous years it is our intention to take our bees early from cellar, in fact as Bees in Spring. soon as there is any prospect for good flying weather. With several sheets of paper over the quilt and a good warm cushion over that we think they will do no harm. As to stimulative feeding in the spring many of our readers knows we have been against it unless under exceptional circumstances such as Mr. McEvoy pointed out last spring. As soon as practicable after setting out, examine every colony and see that they have sufficient stores, but avoid the handling of bees and opening of hives during the spring

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In the January 17th issue of the American Bee Journal we find an excellent engraving of Mr. Wm. American Bee McEvoy and family. Journal. Woodburn, Ont. The group consists of Mr. and Mrs. McEvoy, two daughters and three sons. It is a bright and interesting group, which we hope at some future time to reproduce in the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

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The local societies which affiliate with the Ontario Bee-Keepers Association have to do some very careful

Local financing to do the greatest Societies. possible amount of good. The majority of them try

to arrange in some way to supply their members with a copy of the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL. Those who supply this for a membership fee of twenty-five cents find it difficult to make both ends meet. Those who get along fairly well make either a membership fee 50c. supplying the Journal free, or what generally amounts to the same thing the membership fee 25c. per annum and then a charge of 25c. extra to those who wish a Journal. To those who are this way entitled to the CANADIAN BEE