

strong in bees and prospects are good for a fall flow, give them an extracting super with four or five combs; fill up the super with dummies, and they will, if the season is good, give quite a little surplus. Give the queen room below for brood.

Where increase is not desired, in about two weeks after the swarms are hived, fill up the hives with the bees and brood from the colonies that have swarmed within seven days, first cutting out all queen cells. If there are still more colonies than you want double up by shaking all the bees from any number of colonies into one, with a young laying queen, until they are strong in bees. You can then give them a super of sections or extracting combs as you wish. Place the remaining combs of brood and honey in extracting supers over the colonies weakest in bees you have in the yard. The young bees hatching will strengthen them, and any honey stored in them, or already in, will come good for feeding in fall or spring.

As soon as all or nearly all, the sections in each super are capped they should be removed from the hive by raising up and putting a board with a bee escape under for a few hours—not more than about 12 hours—when most of the bees will have gone out. The supers should then be carried into a room with hone window, to which any remaining bees will fly, when the window may be opened, and the bees will return to their homes. Any bits of comb on the bottom of the supers should be scraped off.

Now, as to the care of comb honey: The supers should be piled up as high as convenient, say about 15 high, outside on the ground, with an empty super under. Place in a dish on top a few tablespoonfuls of bisulphide of carbon. Cover up tight for about 12 hours, and it will be safe from any damage from the wax-moth.

The honey should then be carried into a warm, dry room, and piled so the air can circulate through it for two or three weeks, or until you are ready to clean it up and pack for market.

Mr. Pettit—Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen: I have been very pleased with Mr. Lowey's paper. He has given us quite a full description of the method of taking comb-honey in almost every respect, and it tallies with the method which is commonly used. Mr. Lowey mentions using dummies in taking extracted honey. I can't see any use in that because I like to get as much room in the brood chambers as possible. Then in putting on section we find in many cases where they are very strong it becomes necessary to put on two supers. Mr. Lowey only puts on one. That is a point that is important because there are many colonies that are so strong that if we put on only one they will not go up at first.

Mr. Lowey—I sometimes put on two myself. I spoke of the dummies with reference to colonies that have swarmed and are weak.

Mr. Pettit—In the matter of putting on the third super Mr. Lowey puts it on top. That is all right where it is near the end of the flow. Of course you want to get the third super on before the others are entirely finished, and of course the work is stopped in the other ones, until the last one put on is in that stage; the idea is to give them room to work. "Swarming hives for comb honey on drawn combs." That is one opinion which I would like to differ very strongly. I have tried this and in every case where I tried it in a short time we find the queen cells ready for swarming. I think it was Mr. Sibbald who mentioned in one of our conventions, the hiving swarms in this order, first starters, next full sheets of foundation, and drawn combs as a last

sort. In taking a different method to putting together, that swarms are not of the main comb honey is before they are a bee. I don't know much more for that in my experience honey and extracted honey, I am more anxious to get together in taking rule, they swarm work done in breaks them up a very difficult and get any kind

Mr. Pettit—O when in the section make that all and a queen excluder is as important

Mr. Lowey—Very but we find them loaded bees go with them as well

Mr. Armstrong—To amalgamate the colonies

Mr. Hall—Sorry

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