

BEE-KEEPERS ASSOCIATION.

"Circular of Inquiry.

"Are you in favor of the formation of a 'Manitoba Bee-keepers' association'?"

"Will you become a member of such an association if formed?"

"Will you attend the meeting to be held in Winnipeg on the 24th February, 1903, for the purpose of organizing such a society?"

One hundred of these had been sent out in all, but only about sixty had been mailed in time to secure replies, the remaining addresses having been received only within the past few days. Of these sixty about forty had been answered. Of the forty replies only three were unfavorable to organization of the society, and only one of these unfavorable replies was from a bee-keeper, the other two were from men who had gone out of business. Twenty-six declared their intention of joining the society, and ten were curious enough to wish to see the constitution before joining. Only five refusals were received. He then read the names of the parties who had responded. There were only thirteen promises to be present but there was also an equal number of conditional promises, while seven stated definitely that they could not attend the meeting. The attendance was therefore all that could be desired and he believed that the meeting had the unanimous sympathy of bee-keepers throughout the province.

PROVISIONAL CONSTITUTION.

A provisional constitution was adopted as follows:

1. This association shall be known as the Manitoba Bee-Keepers' association, and shall be composed of those who become enrolled as members by paying the annual membership fee of \$1.

2. A general annual meeting of the society shall be held once in each year

and shall be known as the Annual Meeting of the association. The year shall begin with the election of officers at such annual meeting and terminate on the election of their successors at the ensuing annual meeting. At the annual or any other general meeting ten members shall constitute a quorum.

3. The board of management shall consist of a president a vice-president and three directors and a secretary-treasurer to be elected by the president vice-president and directors either from among themselves or otherwise. Three members shall form a quorum at meetings of the board.

OFFICERS.

The meeting then proceeded to elect the following officers: President, S. A. Bedford; vice-president, J. J. Gunn; directors, Allan Leslie, James Duncan and George Caron (of St. Charles).

The officers were instructed to prepare a draft of a permanent constitution to be submitted to the next general meeting of the association.

EVENING MEETING.

A directors meeting was held in the evening when a number of the members also were present and work of the society was outlined at this meeting. Melvin Bartlett was elected secretary-treasurer of the association.

There are in the neighborhood of two hundred bee-keepers in the province and more are taking an interest in the industry each year. The association begins operations with a membership of over twenty which will certainly be largely increased in the near future.

Canadian Honey Exchange

Editor C. B. J.,—

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