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EDITORIAL.

THE *Farm Journal* asks that its "readers will be on the lookout for damage that may be done to fruit by bees. Any report for or against them will be gratefully received. So much has been said lately against bees that we want to verify or disprove it." Surely this hackneyed old subject is not on the war-path again? If the F. J. will but refer to the back numbers of any of the bee journals he will find lots of evidence, disproving the fact that bees injure sound fruit—evidence from professors, lawyers, doctors, and practical fruit growers, and orchardists. The claim that bees injure fruit comes only from the ignorant, or those having some evil purpose to serve.

Rev. L. L. Langstroth, is still in very poor health, and unable to write, though his mind is very active.

The past week has brought us a number of Prize lists, and their receipt calls up to mind the fact that the fair season will soon be upon us. Of all the

fairs which interest us Canadians, the Toronto Industrial undoubtedly heads the list. The prizelist which is just to hand shows many improvements—new classes having been added and premiums increased. The dates set for this year are from the 8th to the 20th Sept. The prizelist in the apiarian department we published on page 60, issue of May 1. Toronto is a great city of carnivals and conventions, but the greatest of all is its annual exhibition, when friends from the remotest end of the Dominion meet together in the one common interest—to study the manufacturers and resources of the country in which we live, and of our neighbors' across the line. A copy of the prize list can be obtained by any bee-keeper who might desire one, by sending the request on a postal card to Mr. H. J. Hill, the secretary, at Toronto.

Patent, under number 430,104, (date June 17, 1890) has been issued to Henry Alley for a bee-swarmer.

The value of honey imported into the United Kingdom during the month of May, 1890, amounted to £7513. The amount for April was £8391.

The membership of the Ontario Bee-Keeper's Association is now 310. Receipts from members generally indicate that the great majority are well pleased with the premium received by them, and will likely continue permanent members.