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The annual meeting of the Ontario Bee-keepers Association promises to be of unusual interest. The Ontario Bee-keepers Convention. Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, has kindly consented to be present and give an address. We believe this is the first time in the history of the association that a session of its members has been thus honored. From a notice on another page it will be seen that a more than average number of its prominent members will likely be present, this alone should be a sufficient attraction. When we add to the announcement that E. R. Root, associate editor of *Gleanings in Bee Culture*, expects to be present throughout the entire meeting, also W. Z. Hutchinson, of the *Review*, clothed in his old time vigor of mind, will be there to take part in the programme and debates, we feel sure the attendance will be very large. The evening of 23rd Jan'y, the second day of the convention is an open meeting, Messrs. F. A. Gemmell, John Myers with their friends at Stratford have done noble work, there will be appropriate music "bee songs," etc., first and last and in between. The Hon. John Dryden will give an address.

R. F. Holtermann has at his own expense engaged the lantern which Mr. Adam Brown, Ex-M. P. and Postmaster, Hamilton, had for his World's Fair Lectures. Some forty beautiful and interesting lime light views will be shown and a lecture even throwing light upon the natural history of the bee, its relation to flowers,

the value of honey and of bee-keeping generally. A large hall has been engaged which will be free to all. A large number of the most intelligent citizens of Stratford and surrounding country have with pleasure accepted invitations to be present. The Stratford convention promises to be one long to be remembered and of practical value to those attending.—COME.

Those not coming should send their membership fee \$1 at once to the Secretary Wm. Couse, Streetsville, Ont.

The Secretary, Wm. Couse, Streetsville, has made the necessary arrangements for reduced railway fares. Those coming want to purchase a single ticket to Stratford as soon as they reach Canadian territory and at the same time get a certificate from the ticket agent. If fifty attend, and we expect many more, the return ticket will only be one third single fare, otherwise two thirds single fare.

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It was our good fortune to attend a portion of the Sheep Breeders' and Swine Breeders' Convention held

The Annual at Guelph, during the past month. A new and interesting feature adopted there was for one member to take the annual report in hand and pass criticism upon the previous years papers, discussions and material reported. To what extent the matter contained in that report embodied the ideas of the organization, how far the critic thought the matter therein contained would be of value or to injure, the calling. This was followed by an express-