

THE INDIAN AND COLONIAL EXHIBITION.

ONTARIO'S EXECUTIVE MEETS.

THE President, S. T. Pettit, having received a cablegram from Sir Charles Tupper through Mr. Lowe, stating that "space for bee-keeper's collections is ninety-five feet by twenty-five, returned a message and also a long letter explaining the absolute necessity of having all we were promised, viz: 4000 feet space; but Sir Charles returned a message stating that it is impossible for him to obtain more space, and asks whether he must accept the space or let it go to be utilized for other purposes. To this the President replied, "keep space for bee-keepers' collections, by all means, we cannot afford to have one of Canada's most important industries ignored," and hastily called a meeting of Managing Committee to consider the situation and also to transact other important business for the Association, on the 12th inst.

Members present—The President, and Messrs. McKnight, Jones, Hall, Emigh, Corneil, and the Sec.-Treas.

The President in the chair.

Considerable discussion took place regarding the matter mentioned above. The Commissioners consider the amount of space last promised too small to enable our Association to make as creditable a display as it was wished to make; therefore it was resolved, that we as Commissioners do express in a letter to Sir Charles Tupper, our views in regard to the space now set apart as being too small, and asking that it be enlarged to 30 x 130 feet. The letter was written, approved of and forwarded.

The following resolutions were passed:

1st. That no coke tin be used for making tins for shipping extracted honey to England.

2nd. That the package we use for shipping extracted honey in bulk be what is known as the square sixty-pound tin, encased in wood; containing 56 lbs. net, as honey is sold by the cwt. in England. There should be a large screw or pressed top on each tin, also a small screw-top if desired.

3rd. That one-eighth of the extracted honey be put up in small tins holding 10, 5, [2½] and 1 lb. each, put up in cases holding 60 lbs. and packed with some light material.

4th. That sections should be placed in crates so they will run lengthways, with outer case when placed there or end of section to end of case, and end of case to end of car. The reason for the above is the great danger of breaking when the cars are being shunted, if the sections run across the car. The size of the case that will suit of the principal producers will be from

30 to 36 inches long, and 12 to 14 inches wide, and about the same depth.

5th. That crates should hold about 12 lbs., and six crates packed in each case, making the gross weight about 100 lbs. No open space in crates.

6th. That the crates be packed in cases with dry shingle sawdust, rye or wheat straw, well packed, depth of packing to be, for ends and bottoms, 2 inches; sides and tops 1 inch.

7th. That lumber for cases should be planed on both sides. Use for ends ¾ inch, with hand-holds, about 2 inches from top cut by wabbling saw or otherwise; for sides and tops use not less than ¾ inch.

8th. That there be used a sheet of Manilla paper cut one inch larger each way than the bottoms of crates used to be placed in the bottom of the crates so that there will be ¼ inch lining of paper up around the sides and end of crate, with ½ inch strips laid on top of the paper on which the sections are placed; this prevents any daubing should there be any leakage.

The lithographed labels are considered by the Commissioners as the best label to use for the tins.

The commissioners are ascertaining what will be the best and cheapest retail package in England—whether glass, tin or paper.

The following rules were adopted for the guidance of those who intend to contribute to the proposed exhibit:

(1) Intending contributors shall send to the President, Mr. Pettit, Belmont P. O., not later than the 1st day of June, a request to be allowed to contribute, stating at the same time the amount and kind of his proposed contribution.

(2) The Committee shall decide upon the quantity that will be accepted and notify the applicant of their decision at a date sufficiently early to prevent inconvenience or loss in preparing more than can be accepted—giving preference to first offers other things being equal.

(3) Contributions must be prepared and put up in such a manner as the Committee may decide upon. Upon every package there must be a label setting out the name and address of the owner and the net weight it contains. Every case containing more than one package must also be labelled with the name and address as well as the gross and net weights of the case. Full weights must be guaranteed in every case and fractions of less than half pounds will not be credited to the contributor and must not be charged in invoice. Shipping labels will be supplied by applying to the Secretary of the Association, but personal labels must be provided by the contributor.