

honey at the fall fairs, or honey shows. I think a flat table a poor arrangement to show honey on. You have to bury up too much to have the rest seen. Especially when there is a thick crowd passing by, the ones next the railing can see honey on a flat table, but the ones in the centre of the aisle would not know there was anything there. I think the stepladder if neatly arranged is the best plan to show honey to a crowd without burying any out of sight. Let us hear from more on this subject.

JACOB ALPAUGH

St. Thomas.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

A New Association in Perth County.

A MEETING of the Stratford bee-keepers was held on 5th inst., for the purpose of organizing themselves into an association, to be known by the above title.

Quite a large number attended, and all seemed to take a deep interest in the scheme, and officers were at once appointed as follows:—F. A. Gemmell, president; J. H. Myers, Vice-president; Andrew Johnson, Sec. and Treas.

The first subject discussed was the price of honey, and finally all agreed to sell extracted and comb honey at the following prices: Extracted, in quantities less than five pounds, 12c. per lb. over 5 lbs. and under 10 lbs, 11c. and 10c. for any quantity over 10 lbs. Comb retail, 20c. and 17c. per lb. wholesale, the purchaser in all cases to provide his own tins.

This Society is not intended to be as its title would denote, a purely local one, as all bee-keepers in the county of Perth or elsewhere are all welcome to join. The more the merrier. The Sec. and Treas. will in future keep you posted as to what takes place at the meetings as we fully expect they will be of much interest to all.

F. A. GEMMELL.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

G. B. Jones at Chautauqua.

UNDER the auspices of the Niagara Assembly Association at its beautiful educational summer resort, the Canadian Chautauqua, on the 6th August Mr. G. B. Jones delivered his illustrated lecture on "The Honey Bee under the Microscope, at Home and in the Fields." On account of an outward excursion and some special educational classes at the time, the audience was not large, but it was greatly delighted; many persons showing their interest by crowding round the speaker, introducing themselves and asking questions. A hearty vote of thanks was carried and a second

lecture requested. The Rev. Dr. Hunter was chairman and speaks in the highest terms of the lecture and the way it was delivered. Visitors from various places have taken home glowing reports of it.

FURTHER REPORTS.

ONTARIO.

LEEDS.

The season has been fairly satisfactory to bee-keepers in this locality. The result is (as nearly as I can ascertain from a number of reports which I have received), an average ranging from forty to sixty-pounds per colony spring count, with an increase of from forty to eighty per cent. The crop is being rapidly cleared out and from present indications the producers of honey are not likely to carry over very much of their stock. We are having considerable wet weather with low temperature, but during the few bright warm days the bees have done fairly well on the buckwheat.

MATTHEW B. HOLMES.

Athens.

VICTORIA.

Yield of extracted honey has been from 60 to 100 lbs. per stock. Flow has not been good enough here for getting a good crop of the handsomest section honey. Swarming has been kept up persistently. I had two swarms which were hived, one on the first July and the other on the 27th June, swarm again on the 28th July. Same hives have swarmed themselves queenless and one became so weak it was robbed without being noticed, and when found had neither bees nor honey. My bees have increased about 100 per cent, although I only wanted about 70 per cent. Thistles and touchmenot are still yielding and there is a little buckwheat being stored I judge from the odor of the hives. The bees are beginning to kill drones. Extracted, wholesale 9c. to 10c., but one foolish bee-keeper, R. F. Whitesides, of Little Britain, has sold at 7c. Such men are and do a great injury to the business. Those who have any considerable quantity of good clover honey had better hold on for a few weeks, unless they get 10c. or over, because there may be a desirable outlet for it at about that price; but more anon.

S. CORNEIL,

Lindsay.

MUSKOKA.

Honey continues to come in freely, mainly from thistle. Had to give another story to colonies for extracted and more supers to colonies working for comb honey. (Have no time to extract on account of harvest) The uninterrupted