

Letters to the Editor

ADULTERATION OF HONEY

My attention has been drawn to the report from the Inland Revenue Department of 1903, that a sample of my honey purchased at Boissevain, Man., was pronounced adulterated with cane sugar. Up to this time I had not received this bulletin, or would have looked into this matter before. I am at a loss to know how this adulteration has come about. I have never purchased honey from any one whom I could think for a moment would be guilty of this, and I can state very positively that I did not, nor have I any knowledge who did, do it. I have my suspicions that if adulterated it was done after reaching its destination, as the sample was pronounced a dark yellow. I do not think I ever shipped honey corresponding to this description. I regret that I did not know about this before, as it is too late to trace it now. Not only this, but when the subject of adulterated honey was brought up at our convention, I could have made this explanation then. As a member and a director of the O. B. K. A., I feel that I owe this explanation to the Association. When I have to descend to adulteration of honey for a livelihood I will step down and out. I can make a thousand affidavits that I know nothing about this, if necessary. We are particular not only to supply a pure article, but a first class one; also we hope not only to increase our own trade, but to help bee-

keepers generally thereby. I feed sugar when bees are short of stores, but am always very careful not to have any go in the supers, which with my system of management is not hard to do. I am very glad that goods must now be as labeled. Wholesalers who bottle honey will not feel safe to put up anything but pure goods, and the demand should be increased.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for this space allowed me, I am

Yours sincerely,

G. A. DEADMAN.

CONVENTIONS OF COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS

BRANT

Annual meeting of the above on Saturday afternoon, November 2nd, at 2 o'clock in Court House, Brantford, W. J. Craig, Secretary.

NORFOLK

Meeting of the Norfolk County Association in Simcoe Thursday, October 31st. Morning and afternoon sessions, morning session beginning at 9.30 o'clock. Lee Beaupre, Secretary.

MIDDLESEX

The fall meeting of the Middlesex Bee-Keepers' Association will be held in the City Hall, London, Saturday, November 2nd. Morning and afternoon sessions. An interesting time is expected. F. J. Miller, President; E. T. Brainard, Secretary.

DR. KNEIPP'S HONEY-SALVE.—This is recommended as an excellent dressing for sores and boils. Take equal parts of honey and flour, add a little water, and stir thoroughly. Don't make too thin. Then apply as usual.

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