

South Australia wants Legislation

MR EDITOR:—As Bee-keeping has become an important industry in South Australia, Bee keepers feel that there ought to be some protection given to them in the shape of legislation. The South Australian Beekeepers Association had an act passed a few years ago, protecting them in a slight degree against foul brood, but they still feel that they have not sufficient protection. Our Association would feel greatly indebted to you, if you could supply us with copies of any acts which are in force in your country protecting the Bee Industry, or any suggestions you could make, so as to help us to obtain the legislation we are agitating for. We would feel greatly obliged with an early reply.

I remain

Yours sincerely

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Hon. Sec. S. A. Beekeepers

Adelaide. Norwood 29. 11.91.

Chapter 66 page 149 of the statutes of Ontario assented to 7th April 1890 contains the Act for the Suppression of Foul Brood among Bees. It contains 13 sections dealing with the appointment of inspectors, his term of office and appointment of sub inspectors; inspection of infected *apiaries*; penalty for disposing of infected bees or appliances; selling bees after treatment; penalty for obstructing inspectors; and every thing possible to guard against the propagating of the disease. We have a copy of the reports of the committees appointed by the Ontario Legislature and also a copy of the act. We presume our friend wishes to know how this act was obtained. We are sorry we cannot mail him duplicates but we have asked our local member W. H. Hammell Esq. to supply them. He promises to attend to it. So our Australian friend will in all probability receive them.

Foul brood existed in Ontario. It threatened to annihilate apiculture. Individual bee keepers made reports and gathered information, and laid it before the Ontario house. A committee was appointed. The O. B. K. A. took an active part in laying before the house all the facts. Finally we got the act.

Since the above was in type Mr. W. H. Hammell M. L. A. for Simcoe has handed us a copy of the act, which we have mailed to you.

"Bee-Keepers' Pamphlets," by D. A. Jones, mailed on receipt of 5c.

A Protest Against the Report of the Committee on Affiliation.

W. COUSE, Dear Sir,—I read in the Canadian BEE JOURNAL the following sentence of the report of the Committee of your Association on Affiliation:

"We have reasons for believing that the official report of the Keokuk meeting in the matter of the protests made by your representatives there, is largely characterized by a *suppressio veri*."

As I was acting Secretary then, I protest against this statement. I did all I could to get on all the facts, and I assert that it is ungentlemanly to accuse me after over a year, of any omissions, when nothing was said to me before. The members of the committee assert that corrections were sent to two leading bee papers. To this I answer that if any complaints were made against the report they should have been sent to either the President or the Secretary of the Association.

I earnestly request that this protest be read at the next meeting of your Association. Whatever may be the feelings between Canada and the United States, I wish it understood that my intentions are, and have always been, for peace and harmony.

[C. P. DADANT,
Former Secretary.

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Shipping Honey.

NEVER ship honey without realizing the necessity of an explanation regarding its granulating, and the best method to liquify it. Of course there are directions on the labels, but these if on a tub or large tin of honey, may never be read, and so I always feel it to my interest to explain mine fully. Now, this entails extra work which could be better and more easily performed by simply enclosing a printed slip giving full particulars. I want at least 500 of these, and I would suggest that they be kept in stock by the publisher. The name and address of sender can be added if desired.

The following I think would answer:

Almost all pure honey (unlike glucose and sugar syrup) will granulate and become hard. This is one of the best tests of its purity. Not a few unprincipled dealers have taken advantage of the lack of general knowledge on this subject, and have palmed off glucose with honey, the unwary purchaser being easily led to believe that it was pure honey because always remaining liquid. Now, it is not economical to use it while it is in this hard granulated condition. To those who prefer to eat it granulated it is better to at least