

ing among those who buy cans or packages as to whether they get gross or net weight. I feel very strongly on the subject, because in business it comes up time and again. I believe the majority of people think they are getting 10 lbs. net. The honey goes to the wholesale trade and is by them retailed, and in nine cases out of ten no explanation is given. I think it should become law that it should be marked on the package.

Mr. McEvoy.—I agree with Mr. Holtermann, they should give 10 lbs. in the tin.

Mr. Timbers.—When I first started retailing my honey I wanted to put it in the same pails as those used by the wholesalers, but found that no more of these pails could be got, so I had to use the other pails, but I tell my customers it is gross weight and they are not deceived.

Mr. Pettit.—I think the wholesaler should mark them gross weight.

Mr. Holtermann.—I think this Association should put on record that it be advisable that where gross weight is sold it should be marked distinctly on the packages.

Mr. Brown. — I think that gross weight should be marked on the cans. I second that as a motion of Mr. Holtermann.

Mr. Laing.—I would like to ask Bro. Holtermann if it would be better if he made that motion in a better form—that we, as an Association recommend that all Bee-keepers use gross weight instead of net weight.

Mr. Deadman.—I would like to see Mr. Holtermann's motion accepted. It is very confusing that some of the pails are gross and some net and I have always to explain to my customers that my pails hold more. I think it ought to be compulsory that the pails be labelled gross or net in small type.

Mr. Dickinson.—I recommend the pail be marked 10 lb. net.

Mr. Holtermann.—This is the first step this Association has taken in this matter at all, and it is perhaps a comparatively easy step, we can probably at a future time go further. I am in favor of legislation in the matter as in adulteration, but, perhaps, if we go beyond a certain point we may have difficulties.

Mr. Dickinson.—I do think it is necessary for us to give value for the money we get and the only way to do it is to give weight. We must certainly make allowance for our packing. If I am shipping to England, I put down as expenses my tins and my crate, but I put in every time the full weight. If that was made compulsory I think it would be better for the Association and for the bee-keepers of Ontario, and give us the name we deserve.

Mr. Hershisler.—I think in selling honey gross you have to take less for your honey; in selling in large bulk you must sell net weight, you cannot say one barrel will weigh 40 and another 60, there would be no way of getting at the value of the package. We do not pay the price of butter in the tub when we buy a lb. of butter.

Mr. Timbers.—Is this Association going to compel its members or recommend them to sell their honey at net weight when all other things that honey has to compete against are sold up in gross weight? All marmalades, jams, preserves, etc., are sold throughout the country gross. Is honey to be the only one sold net?

Mr. Dickinson.—I do not think the seller of jams by weight.

Mr. Timbers.—Decidedly, anywhere in Toronto.

Mr. Laing.—Referring to Mr. Dickinson's remark about people getting value for their money, we buy a

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