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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Brant and adjoining counties bee-keepers are arranging for their annual convention, to be held in the City Hall, Brantford, January 29th, 30th and 31st, commencing with the evening session on January 29th. Mr. S. D. House, of Camillus, N.Y., has kindly consented to be present. Mr. House, while perhaps not so widely known as some, is one of the leading bee-keepers of the United States, and most successful as a producer of comb honey, with whose personality and system of management it will be a privilege to become acquainted. We expect also to have with us Mr. O. L. Hersher of Buffalo, N.Y., and probably others from across the border. We shall also expect leading lights in apiculture from our own Province, all tending toward the continued success of what has hitherto been a most successful gathering of bee-keepers. As heretofore, our programme will be exclusively along the line of management, improving of quality and marketing of honey. Reserve these dates and for further information write the Secretary of Brant County Bee-keepers' Association, W. J. Craig, Brantford, Ont.

The meeting of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association, November 7 to 9, deserves a place amongst the most suc-

cessful and satisfactory of that organization. We believe we have now arrived at a point where good and lasting work can be done, judging from the unanimity of the officers and members. The Government amendments to the Agricultural and Arts Act made it necessary to adjust some of the Association by-laws in conformity therewith, among these the appointing of the President and Vice-Presidents by the Directors from among themselves rather than the open meeting of the Association. This is criticized by Mr. J. L. Byer in his notes in this issue, but, considering the matter broadly, we cannot see any reasonable objection to the arrangement. It is the duty of the Association to elect their Directors from among the best and most representative men from the districts. We need not allow them to become "fix-tures." Let them be like friend Byers' queens—changed at least in two years. After all, that which would simplify the whole system and guard against these errors, would be to have district organizations, and these organizations recommend for nomination suitable persons to represent them as Directors. The Association's amendments to the by-laws relative to affiliated societies now make provision that a membership fee of \$1.00 in the local society includes membership in the Ontario Association, half of the fee going to the Ontario. This will no doubt be an encouragement to membership in local societies, as well as increasing the membership of the provincial. Another important change in this connection is that in order to affiliate, not less than ten members of the local society are to be members of the Ontario.

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