

matter during the last year, warning our subscribers to first ascertain the financial standing of supply dealers before shipping, or otherwise send their honey C.O.D. There are some dealers who may be called "sharks," in our leading cities, who tell nice plausible yarns about their financial standing, and have goods shipped to them promising to remit upon receipt of the same, but who fail to meet their obligations.

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Friend W. J. Stevenson, of Guelph, writes us as follows:—

"I put in my cellar, on the first of November, nine colonies of bees in good order, the lightest weighing forty-eight pounds. I take an occasional look at them, and find the temperature from 45° to 50°, and very few do I find dead. Of course the winter is not half over yet, so I am not in a position to say how they will come out in the spring, but of course look for the best. It is my intention to erect a bee-house as soon as the weather is warm. I already have all the material ready. I would like to know if it would do to have it facing southwest and northeast, as I want to put hives on both sides and an aisle up the centre. I find I cannot be without the JOURNAL. I have all last year's, and am going to have them bound. They will make a nice book, and worth twice the subscription price. I think every one who keeps bees should avail himself of the valuable information contained therein. It has been a great help to me in numerous ways. I wish you every success."

REPLY.

It does not matter much, so far as the interior temperature is concerned, which way the building faces, so long as it is properly built. Face it the most convenient way to suit your various operations, and especially for extracting. If you use it

for the latter purpose and for storing your honey, place the door in the most convenient position, and, if possible, so that whilst at work in the bee-house you can see the bees when swarming.

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We are in receipt of No. 1, of volume 3, of *The Progressive Beekeeper*. We have missed it from our file for some time past, and are pleased to know that friend Quigley, the editor and publisher, is again able to present his readers with considerable valuable bee literature. We sympathize with our friend in his recent loss by fire, and are pleased to know that everything is again in full swing, and that the *Beekeeper* will be a monthly visitor in the future. We quote the following, which will explain matters more definitely:

"NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.—Financial loss by fire, last October, caused the suspension of this *Journal*. To the inquiries that come to us asking about it, we promised to commence publishing the *Progressive Beekeeper* again January 1st, 1893, and we believe this is the only one of the suspended journals that has fulfilled its promise. We hope to have no more suspensions. We kindly thank those who have offered us help. While we appreciate their kindness, we do not care to be indebted to any one for more than a paid up subscription. So, if you will lend a hand in this way, we promise you full value with interest, in a year's reading matter. It shall be our aim to give you only practical, common sense articles from beekeepers that have made their business a success. We have dropped three numbers of volume 2, so as to commence with the New Year. All subscriptions will be credited with the missing numbers, so that all will receive all papers paid for. We hope to retain our