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Mr. J. L. Byer was in attendance at the Brant convention, apparently none the worse for the recent illness in his home. His optimism and cheerfulness registered as high as usual.

We are delighted to be able to state that the Brant Bee-keepers' convention was a pronounced success. To Mr. Craig, the indefatigable Secretary, is due in large measure the credit for this achievement. The papers were all good and splendidly discussed. Mr. Geo. W. Tibbs, of Hespeler, Ont., added greatly to the entertainment with his stereopticon view-talk.

To P. W. Hodgetts, Secretary of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association, much of the credit is due for the manner in which the case against the express companies was presented to the Railway Commission. The work of organizing the deputaion, and arranging for the collection of evidence, largely fell upon him, and the strength of the case presented is proof of how thoroughly the task was performed. Mr. Hodgetts is one of the most modest and at the same time one of the most painstaking and efficient officials in the public service.—Farmers' Sun.

Mr. Hodgetts is also Secretary of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association, and displays the same tact and ability in this department as above referred to. We were glad to have him with us at the recent Brant Convention. It is an evidence of what the Government is doing, and trying to do, in the interests of the bee-keeping industry.

Mr. P. W. Hodgetts, when in attendance at the Brant Bee-keepers' convention, announced that the Government contemplated the establishment of an apiculture experimental station at Jordan. The

gentleman to be placed in charge is still being sought for. We know of one application that has been sent in, and we trust this applicant will receive the appointment. We are not authorized as yet to mention any names. This station will be a great assistance to the bee industry. The Government is to be commended for its enterprise.

Dr. Fletcher, of the Dominion Experimental Farm, is dead. He was for twenty-one years connected with the Farm, and was known throughout the length and breadth of Canada by the agricultural class, whose good friend he was. As a naturalist he had few equals. He will be greatly missed.

We are indebted to Mr. D. A. Watson, druggist, of Thamesville, for the following bit of valuable information re carbon bisulphide. He says:

"In reference to your reply to E. A. Carver, page 32, January C.B.J., re using carbon bisulphide in the house. The vapor will produce headache and dizziness, and if the exposure is continued sufficiently long it induces paralysis, with impairment of sight, hearing and appetite. The temperature of a burning cigar will ignite the vapor—therefore it must be kept away from fire or light. Carbon dioxide is one of the gases produced by burning carbon bisulphide.

We have no bees for sale from our own stock. The only information we can give regarding the purchase of bees is what appears in our advertising columns. We will be pleased, however, at any time, to bring buyer and seller closer together in any way that either of them may think we can be of use.

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