

Now let us pass on to the prize list of the Industrial Fair and Agricultural Exhibition, Toronto. Class 78, Sec. 15, reads: "For the most tasty and neatly arranged exhibits of Honey in the Apiarian department, all the Honey to be the production of the exhibitor. \$25 of this prize is given by the Ontario Beekeepers' Association."

It appears to me this clause is very distinct and it was so last year in that clause. I claimed last year a man might have even buckwheat honey or he might have comb honey alone, or extracted honey alone, it might be of best quality or poorest quality, quality has nothing to do with it, is never mentioned, it is simply for the "most tasty and neatly arranged exhibit," anything even magnitude outside of that, is considered out of order and a change in the prize list is needed. I think the right time to draw attention to these matters is before the exhibitions, when at home we can calmly think over these differences and all come prepared after due reflection to do our best and deal justly. If changes are desirable have them made another time, but this year let us abide by the lists and where indistinct let the directors interpret them.

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#### United States Money-Producers' Exchange.—Report up to July 10, 1891.

##### From Gleanings

Our reports from most States are very complete this month. We have devised a plan whereby the questions are sent out on three different dates. In this way the reports from distant points reach us as quickly as those near by. They were answered from the 6th to the 13th of July, the average date for the whole of the reports being July 10.

The average crop of honey gathered up to date for the whole of the U. S. is 47 per cent. This is much better than last year up to this time. In many of the Northern States linden was just opening when the reports were made out, and the prospects for a good flow from that source were reported to be excellent; but advices since, received from portions of New York and Vermont, say that linden is almost a failure. There are some localities in several of the Northern States where the season has not been as good as last, and bees have had to be fed up to July 1st, to keep them from starving. In some instances it was caused by a severe drought, and in others by excessive rains. We now hardly expect to see a large crop of honey

this year. It will probably be a little below the average; but that it will be better than last, there is no doubt. The quality of much of the white honey will be poor, on account of being mixed with honey-dew—some of it rendered entirely unmarketable. It is to be hoped that every bee-keeper who has been so unfortunate as to get any that is not palatable to himself will not put it on the market, and thus spoil the sales for thousands of pounds of good honey.

The following are the questions sent out to the respondents corresponding to the tabulated replies below:

1. What per cent. of increase up to date?
2. What per cent. of an average crop of white honey gathered up to date?
3. Prospect for a full crop? (1 indicates good; 2, fair; 3, not good.)
4. How does this compare with last year same date?

The tabulated answers correspond to the questions by number above, and are as follows:

STATE.	1	2	3	4	Question 1.
Alabama.....	65	100	1	1	50 to 75 per cent better.
Arizona.....	15	10	1	2	About the same
Arkansas.....	30	35	2	1	Some better.
California.....	20	25	3	3	Half as much.
Connecticut.....	25	50	1	3	Slightly behind.
Colorado.....	25	15	1	3	Better.
Florida.....	25	50	1	3	Better than 1890.
Georgia.....	25	95	1	2	Much better.
Iowa.....	35	40	2	1	Some better.
Indiana.....	60	65	2	1	Some better.
Indian Territory.....	5	10	1	1	Better.
Illinois.....	30	35	3	3	More honey-dew, less h <sup>y</sup>
Kansas.....	50	35	2	2	Not as good.
Kentucky.....	20	75	3	3	Not as good.
Louisiana.....	60	90	1	75	per cent. better.
Maine.....	50	75	1	1	Better.
Massachusetts.....	50	75	2-1	1	Some better.
Maryland.....	35	60	1	1	Much better.
Michigan.....	15	10	3	3	About the same.
Minnesota.....	30	5	1	1	Linden just opening.
Mississippi.....	35	50	2	2	Much honey-dew.
Missouri.....	40	20	1	1	Much better.
Nebraska.....	10	5	3	3	Much poorer.
Nevada.....	50	7	1	1	Much better.
New Hampshire.....	15	100	1	1	Much better.
New Jersey.....	35	20	3	3	Little better.
New York.....	15	25	2	2	Little better.
North Carolina.....	50	60	3	3	Some better.
Ohio.....	15	60	2	2	Some better.
Pennsylvania.....	15	50	2	2	About the same.
Rhode Island.....	50	80	1	1	Much better.
South Carolina.....	40	90	1	1	Very much better.
Tennessee.....	50	35	1	1	Better.
Texas.....	75	50	1	1	Much better.
Vermont.....	20	50	3	3	Much better.
Virginia.....	40	75	1	1	Much better.
West Virginia.....	30	35	1	1	Much better.
Washington.....	25	10	3	3	About the same.
Wisconsin.....					

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Secretaries of Poultry Associations will confer a favor on us by sending us promptly all items of news in connection with their Associations, as dates of meetings and shows, and reports of the proceedings at each.