

a press report of that meeting I find that Mr. McKnight was spoken of as President. That is all I can find out of the officers for that year. If we could find out who the officers for that year were an insertion should be made of them in the minute book.

Mr. Darling moved, seconded by Mr. Gemmell, that the minutes as read be confirmed.—Carried.

Mr. Gemmell moved, seconded by Mr. Darling that a committee consisting of Messrs. Hall, Harrison, McEvoy, Emigh and Couse be appointed to examine the press report referred to and endorse and insert such portions of it as they think proper.—Carried.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Ladies and gentlemen, of the Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association, it is with pleasure that we meet again in convention. Another year has gone and we are here to talk over the past and to make and lay plans for our future.

The first year of the new century has been very profitable to most bee-keepers, not only by the good flow of honey, but by the good prices which have been obtained for our product. I believe that we have as good prices as we had ten or twelve years ago. Surely this is encouraging. The quality as far as I have been able to judge has been extra good. Then as to our prospects for next season, bees in most parts have gone into winter's quarters with well-ripened stores, a point which tends a great deal towards successful wintering; the roadsides are matted with white clover, judging from these conditions we may look for a big crop in 1902. I doubt not, the most, if not all of you, have come here with the hope and expectation that this would be one of the most enjoyable and profitable meetings ever held by our Association. To make this wish a

veritable reality, can but be accomplished by each one taking part in the discussions and so contribute their portion of information for the general good.

It was with deep regret that we learned of the sudden death of our ex-president, Dr. Thom, who held the position of president in the year 1884 and was much esteemed by all members of the Association; these calls are but warnings to each of us that some day we too shall be called hence to our reward.

It will be remembered that at our last annual meeting a motion was passed to the effect that the Association deem it advisable to make an exhibit at the Pan-American Exposition. The matter was brought before the Ontario Government, and they decided to help us. At our executive meeting in May it was my pleasure to be appointed to go to Buffalo and install the exhibit. We made a general call to bee-keepers, of the Association, to help us. We succeeded in getting a good supply of extracted honey, but not a great deal of comb.

However, the extracted and comb were of a very fine quality. Our display was not large but was greatly admired by all visitors. I might note a few remarks gathered from passers-by and entered in my register book.

"Canadian honey." "What part of Ontario." "Ontario is all right. Magnificent exhibit."

"Very artistic exhibit and very clear honey."

"Grand honey and a beautiful exhibit. Am glad I came upstairs to see it."

"O, look at the purified honey. Isn't it fine."

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