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Ourselves in 1912

At various times we have received most encouraging letters from our friends who appreciate the efforts of the conductors of this paper, to produce a journal representing and promoting apicultural interests in the Dominion of Canada. We believe we cover a field that no other periodical at present in existence can reach. There are at least three other bee journals published in this continent, and between ourselves and our American friends there exist the very strongest bonds of friendship and brotherhood. But we are none of us comnetitors. We each serve a distinct pur pose and there is room for us all. Many of our subscribers take in addition to the C.B.J. the three American papers, and we would urge upon all others who possibly can to do the same. It will pay them to do so. As regards the Canadian Bee Journal, we realize that with the opening up of vast territories upon which a great bee industry may thrive there is a distinct need for a journal which will act as a vehicle of thought and information regarding the special phases assumed by the bee-keeping industry in those regions. We aspire also to be the means of bringing together east and west and south and north and to help the bee-keepers of Canada to realize the bond that should hold together units situated necessarily a great distance apart.

A perusal of the index inserted in this issue will show what degree of success has been achieved during the year just gone. Let us say that we have every

reason to believe that during the coming year we shall be able more closely to approximate to the ideal bee journal. We have on hand, ready for publication, a goodly number of interesting articles upon a wide range of subjects, and by men whose names will furnish ample guarantee as to the usefulness of the information imparted. We trust that our readers will co-operate with us. Every subscription enables us to put better work into the paper, and it is here that we require most assistance. Let every reader do his best to obtain one or more new subscribers and he will be performing a service as well to the bee-keeping fraternity generally as to ourselves.

* * * "Summer and the Bees"

The Farmer's Advocate recently paid us a flattering compliment by borrowing from our columns and reprinting in extenso Miss Robson's fine verses on "Summer and the Bees." Our distinguished contemporary, after the fashion of the great, overlooked the small duty of acknowledging their source.

A Bee Journal for South Africa

We are glad to welcome the advent of the new apicultural periodical, the South African Bee-Keeper's Journal. Bee-keeping, as a craft, is comparatively new to the southern half of Africa, but during the two decades or so which make up its history, great and rapid strides have been made, and United South Africa boasts of a flourishing bee-keepers' association, of which our contemporary is