H. D. CUTTING.—I prefer a dry atmosphere.

M. EMIGH.—A dry atmosphere suits me best.

G. M. DOOLITTLE.—Medium damp is my preference. Temperature has more to do with the matter than dryness or moisture.

S. CORNEIL.—Medium. In Germany bees are said to suffer through want of water in winter. I have not the data necessary for a comparison of the relative humidity in this country and Germany.

PROF. COOK.—Theory says a dry one. And as we think of it we would conclude that theory knew what she was talking about, but when we see bees with good food and in proper temperature wintering perfectly in a very dry atmosphere we wrinkle our foreheads and say we don't know.

ALLEN PRINGLE.—Weak colonies will, as a rule, winter best in a dry atmosphere, while good strong colonies, with other conditions right, can be wintered in a very damp atmosphere. *Medium* is the safe rule for all kinds of colonies. It is difficult to regulate the humidity of the atmosphere, but when it gets too damp we can raise the temperature.

SUNDRY SELECTIONS.

M. EMIGH.—Mercury 55° to-day. Will set out a few bees this afternoon.
Holbrook, April 25th, 1888.

J. F. DUNN.—21st of April and no pollen yet. Spring very backward and very little brood rearing going on and old bees dying off fast. Cellar winterers will come out ahead this year, I think. My bees on summer stands are very good, very bad and middling, the first named class in the majority, however, glad to say.
Ridgeway, April 21, 1888.

LOST TWO OUT OF SIXTY-TWO.

J. V. BATTRAM.—I set my bees out on the 8th and 9th and it was fine for a few days, but has been cold north wind since, and some days they do not fly at all and would have been as well in the house. Wintered in a log house, but could not keep them quiet with temperature above 40° although I gave them plenty of fresh air. Lost four out of sixty-two colonies. All seem strong, but three had to double up to two, so in all I lost two. Have not examined them all as yet, as it is too cold. They got pollen on the 11th or 12th. I hear some man here has lost half of his bees; weather too cold as yet.
Brigden, April 24, 1888.

CAPPINGS

WHICH FELL INTO OUR RIPENING CAN.

JOSIAH WHETSTONE.—The report by C. H. Corbett, Kingston, is the best one I have seen for a long time. It will, I think, induce a friend to go into the business.
St. Mary's, April 20, 1888.

CONVENTION NOTICES.

The North Middlesex Bee-Keepers' Association meets in the Town Hall, Ailsa Craig, on May 24th, at one o'clock.—FRANK ATKINSON, President, Ailsa Craig.

The next meeting of the Welland County Bee Keepers' Association will be held in the Grand Jury room, Court House, in the town of Welland, on Monday, May 7th, commencing at 10:30 a.m. All interested in bee culture are urgently invited to attend.—J. F. DUNN, Secretary.

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