

This is a great reduction, and will enable many to attend at Detroit that would feel that it would cost too much to go. Then with the reduced rates at the hotel it will make your expenses very low. Your committee is still at work trying to make it pleasant for you when you arrive in Detroit. We hope you will all come and make this meeting one long to be remembered by those present. A large sample room at the hotel has been placed at our disposal, where you can have every facility to show anything new or of interest to the Society.

Let every bee-keeper canvass his neighborhood and find how many will attend, then send to W. Z. Hutchinson for certificates as soon as possible, so that he will know how many to apply for.

H. D. CUTTING.

Clinton, Mich.

THE NORTH AMERICAN BEE-KEEPERS' SOCIETY.

THE Society will hold its 16th annual convention on December 8th, 9th and 10th, 1885, at Detroit, Mich. The hall in which the meeting will be held is known as the "Red Men's Wigwam," and is located at 63 Michigan Avenue, one block west of the City Hall. Just across the street from the "Red Men's Wigwam" is the Antisdel House, which will be the hotel at which the Society will make its head quarters. The regular rates at this hotel are \$2 per day, but they have been reduced to \$1.25 per day to those attending the convention. There will be reduced rates on all the Michigan railroads, also as far east as Buffalo, as far west as Chicago, and as far south as Toledo. Efforts are being made to secure reduced rates to still further points, but at present the prospects of success are not very promising. No certificates will be sent out until about Dec. 1; but all who expect to attend should write to the Secretary at once, and certificates will be sent out as soon as they are ready.

W. Z. HUTCHINSON, Sec.

Rogerville, Mich.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

Tuesday, forenoon session—10 a.m. - Convention called to order.—Address of Welcome, by Edwin Willetts, President of the Michigan Agricultural College.—Response by the President, L. C. Root.—Calling the roll of members of last year, payment of annual dues, reception of new members and distribution of badges. Reading the minutes of last meeting.—Reports of the Treasurer and Secretary.—Announcements.—

Miscellaneous business.

Afternoon session.—2 p.m.—Announcements. Annual Address of the President.—Miscellaneous business.—Production of Comb Honey," G. M. Doolittle, Borodino, N. Y.—"Production of Extracted Honey," Chas. Dadant, Hamilton, Ills.—"Marketing Honey," C. F. Muth, Cincinnati, O.

EVENING SESSION—7:30 p.m.—Announcements.—Miscellaneous business.—Discussion of questions that have accumulated in the question box during the day.

SECOND DAY.

Wednesday.—Morning Session.—9 a.m.—Announcements.—Miscellaneous Business.—"Bee Pasturage," Thos. G. Newman, Chicago, Ills.—"Selling and Shipping Bees by the Pound," E. M. Hayhurst, Kansas City, Mo.—Selection of place for holding next convention, and election of officers.

Afternoon Session.—2 p.m.—Announcements.—Miscellaneous business.—"Excellence or Cheapness—Which?" A. I. Root, Medina, O.—"Comb Foundation," John Vandervort, Laceyville, Pa.—"Bee Keeping as a Business," Dr. C. C. Miller, Marengo, Ills.

Evening Session.—7:30 p.m.—Announcements. Miscellaneous business.—Discussion of questions in the question box.

THIRD DAY.

Thursday morning session—9 a.m.—Announcements.—Miscellaneous business.—"Reversing Combs," James Heddon, Dowagiac, Mich.—"The Pollen Theory," Prof. A. J. Cook, Agricultural College, Mich.

Afternoon session—2 p.m.—Announcements.—Miscellaneous business.—"Wintering Bees," Ira Barber, DeKalb Junction, N. Y.—"Different Races of Bees," D. A. Jones, Beeton, Ont.—Adjournment. W. Z. HUTCHINSON, Sec.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

MY REPORT FOR 1885.

NOTICE in your esteemed JOURNAL that you call for reports from your subscribers as to their success or failure during the season just past. Speaking for myself I might say that bee-keeping has not been as profitable this year as usual, and I am of the opinion that I am not alone in this respect. This has been a very wet and cold season in this locality, and although the clover and basswood bloomed as usual still they did not yield the usual quantity of nectar owing, no doubt, to the fact that the atmosphere was against it. Last fall I put away five colonies for winter and was very successful not losing any, I therefore had five to start with in the spring. About the 24th of May I had to move them about