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Failure to do needful things just at this time will injuriously effect the surplus later on.

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Wintering reports are very satisfactory. Mr. Byer reports every colony alive in four yards.

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Keep your eye on the man with an orchard. If he needs pointers on spraying give them to him gently, emphasizing his interest rather than your own.

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Mr. Ross writes interestingly in another column on hive covers. He has very efficiently summarized the requirements of a cover. We have always felt that our covers do not set down over the hives deep enough. Three or four inches is none too deep, especially when extra protection is needed on top of the frames in early spring.

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We have had the pleasure of adding to our exchange list "the Fruit Magazine," published at Vancouver, B.C. Maxwell Smith is its editor. It is a new venture in the field of journalism, the sixth issue being now on our desk. It is a beautifully-printed and well-edited magazine, and should be in the hands of every fruit man. The C. B. J. wishes it every success.

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We examined all our hives in our home yard on Good Friday, and found all in good condition. Brood was found in all stages. Some was just hatching out. In some hives the queen had ceased laying, owing to an entire absence of pollen. They had used up all they had.

However, they were gathering it at that time in good quantities, and continued doing so every day up to March 30th. Even if we do have some bad weather during April, this should give them a good start.

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We feel sure all will be pleased to read Mr. Haberer's letter on honey pails in this issue. Mr. Haberer is a good honest German, who wishes to do right to everybody. He wishes to be fair and honest with the buyer of his honey, and at the same time he is willing to co-operate with his associates in his association. If it is to be gross weight he is willing to conform, but he desires that his customer should know what he is buying. His sale prices show that he made an effort to adhere to the rates quoted by the honey crop committee.

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Mr. Mireault has asked us to state the means by which a Canadian bee-keeper may join the National U. S. Association. We have put the question to Mr. N. E. France, so as to leave no doubt about the matter. He has kindly replied as follows:

"Any Canadian bee-keeper by paying \$1 annual dues to the secretary of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association, or sending the same to the Canadian Bee Journal, or giving it to Wm. McEvoy, will become an annual paid-up member of the Canadian Beekeepers' Association and the National Bee-keepers' Association. He will receive from the National a receipt for dues, button, copy of the last annual report and a free copy of a book 'Bee-Keepers' Legal Rights.' I suppose also that dues would be received by any of the Canadian Bee Inspectors."

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