

"do national advertising while the output of honey is so uncertain. Look what we ran up against in 1911—almost a total failure. How about "Karo (trade name for glucose)? The manufacturers merely put up a little more room, bought a few more carboys of sulphuric acid, and proceeded to supply the demand for a sweet that we could not." This national advertising question is one on which there is undoubtedly great room for controversy.

Mr. F. Dundas Todd has honored us with an excellent account of apicultural conditions in British Columbia, and his remarks on the Foul Brood question are well worthy of close attention. If we here in Ontario wish to hold this dread disease in check, the sooner we get Federal legislation such as British Columbia has, the better. It is to be hoped, however, that it will not be so constructed as to act like a two-edged sword; in other words, restrict the shipping of honey, bees, etc., locally and inter-provincially, to such an extent as to be detrimental to the business side of the question. We will need to be sure of our ground before bringing into force legislation which may prove to be detrimental to the good of the country, although intended to act in an opposite manner.

Another question arises as to how an inspector sent by the Government to issue a certificate giving an apiarist a clean bill of health can definitely determine whether or not European or American Foul Brood is present. Disease may often be present, yet be quite invisible to man, and capable of breaking out later, to the despair of the apiarist. Thus it seems to me that it would be difficult for us to conform to any law which might be passed; and yet if the industry is to be expanded there must be a distribution of honey from the points of production.

It would be a pleasing task to pass

on through the numerous pages of our good Journal and comment as above in the passing. But space forbids. Let us wish our editors every success in the good work they are doing for the bee-keeping community of Canada.

Ottawa.

ABOUT BEE-ESCAPES

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"Many men of many minds" seems more applicable to apiarists than to any other profession or calling. The old saying, "When doctors differ, who shall decide?" would lead us to suppose that apiarists are not alone in this respect. Of course, we all know that, but they seem to outdo them all. It is no wonder beginners are puzzled as to "who is right," and so we would advise them not to believe all they may read, even in our best journals on apiculture, but rather have a good textbook on the subject, and when this is well in the mind, then they can "try" and see whether the writer is in advance of the age or away behind the times. "But what has all this to do with bee-escapes?" you ask. Well, it is just because one whose name is familiar to most of us has recently been giving his experience with these appliances. Now I could refer you to the page where you could find this, but I am not going to do it. I am getting "tired" of this thing. The editors of some of the various departments in one journal, at least, are too prone to this way. They make you inquisitive by saying "that is a good idea of friend So-and-so on page 54," or some such. One of two things await you, either to stir yourself and hunt up the journal and the page or to pass it by. Perhaps you are one of us who do not like to miss a good thing, and so look it up, but only to find that you know it already or you do not care whether

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you do or not. So too far from my any reference is so that the reader to recall what it is stand repeating condensed form. Well Getaz, in the Rev trouble, bees clust cape and blocking ing, producing saing, producing attracting robbers, et this trouble, he puts nest, only to find and blocking the ex ally he puts on a h gives the bees an h fore putting on the l Before I would use l this trouble I wou wood of all I had. how he empties the nor what one is to de which is more prof that Holtermann, fo for them, and afte experience will be n his ideas than ever. ago, like Holtermann, with them, but afte would not like to "k out them. For comb unexcelled. For extr times, they are very used in cool weather ar to remain long in the necessary to warm up extracting, but this c With bee-escapes one matter how bad robber way we did some wa under as many supers tract that day. To do to lift the super and an the escape, are necessa be done very quickly, n you can walk along. No time we can begin ex course, the bees will no but the few remaining