

bee space. In fact his guiding principle seems to have been the wish to give the bees full swing.

The fortune which the inventor sees in this patent may come to him if he waits long enough, but it will never amount to the interest which would have accrued if he had deposited the money, which his patent has cost him in some good savings bank.

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#### Shutting off Queen at Close of Harvest.

**R**EPLYING to the queries published last week Mr. Corneil says: As to limiting the opportunity of the queen for egg laying in this season to two or three frames. I think it is agreed that when the combs are frequently extracted, giving the queen ample room for laying, she will not continue prolific as long by a year or two as queens used to do before the introduction of the extractor. The only effect I think would be to lengthen the time of the queen's usefulness.

(2) Don't know. Wish I knew how much more I am to get myself.

(3) I introduced a yellow queen to a stock of black bees 15th July and on the 1st October the bees were all yellow. It is probable that the bees raised from eggs laid before the 1st of August will mostly disappear before the 1st November. In a recent paper Mr. Doolittle says it is the bees from brood raised in August that we should depend upon for the work of the following spring. I think this is about correct.

S. CORNEIL.

Lindsay, 14th Aug. 1889.

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#### Only a Scare.

**I** WROTE you some time ago about foul brood that was supposed to be here. I am glad to inform you that it was only a scare for the bees have cleaned out all the combs and there are no signs of any dead brood to be seen.

The season here has been a very good one both for honey and increase and there will be a large amount of honey gathered yet.

The Beaver Valley is the garden of Canada for bee culture. There are many advantages here that there are not in other places.

First. There are more fruit trees here than in any place, and then we have abundance of linden, soft maple, alsike and white clover.

It is supposed that at least fifteen tons of

honey will be gathered in the valley this season.

I saw a man to-day who will have at least 8000 lbs. I will have about 5400 lbs. I have two colonies in my large hive that did not swarm that will give me 300 sections well filled.

G. L. PEARSON.

Clarksburg, Aug. 14th.

We are glad indeed to note that what you supposed to be foul brood has turned out to be merely a false alarm. We have had quite a number of reports from others who were inclined to think that they were troubled with foul brood but in nearly every case when samples have been submitted to us we have found that it was nothing more than dead brood.

About how many square miles of country constitutes the Beaver Valley? It would be interesting to know.

Do you really mean to tell us that from two colonies you are taking 300 sections well filled. If so you are indeed in the garden of Canada for bee culture; we would like to hear from you further on this point.

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#### Packing Comb Honey For Long Shipment

**H**AVING noticed in the C. B. J., page 445, your call upon me for my method of packing comb honey for shipment, I will try and give it.

I pack my sections in small cases holding 12 each, glassed on one side. Each case has a sheet of manilla paper in the bottom folded up one quarter of an inch all around. Upon this there are narrow strips of wood one eighth of an inch thick, spaced so that the end of the sections will rest upon them. These cases are packed in larger cases holding six each. At the sides of the bottom of the large case I put two strips of wood one quarter of an inch thick, so that the small case will rest only at the ends. Three cases in the bottom, two strips of wood put on the ends of them and another three put in. The lower cases do not touch the bottom of the large case, the second cases do not touch the top of the first ones.

This method is not original with me, having got the suggestion from Mr. McKnight, Owen Sound.

ARRANGEMENT OF HONEY AT FAIRS.

I have just read Mr. McKnight's article in the A. B. J., page 504 in regard to arranging