

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

W. Couse Dr. to Ontario Bee-keepers' Association:

Grants from 11 affiliated societies	
\$5 each	\$ 55 00
Membership fees O. B. K. A.	106 00
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	\$161 00

Ontario Bee-keepers Association Dr. to W. Couse for amount sent.

1895,	
Mar. 8. Martin Emeigh, Treasurer to cash	\$ 56 00
Sept. 5. Martin Emeigh, Treas. to cash	36 50
Jan. 14. Martin Emeigh, Treas to cash	69 50
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	\$161 00

REPORT OF DIRECTORS.

Brantford, Jan. 15th, 1895.

To the Members of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association:

GENTLEMEN:—Your Directors in presenting their twelfth annual report since incorporation, are pleased to report that the Association is in a prosperous condition, and that there continues to be a lively interest taken in all matters in connection with the Association.

The total receipts for the year just closed were \$890, derived from the following sources: For membership fees, \$175; from affiliation fees of thirteen societies, \$65; and Government grant, \$650, leaving a balance on hand of.....receipts over expenses, which, we feel, is satisfactory.

The total disbursements were itemised as in the report of the Treasurer.

It is with sorrow that we have to report the death of one of our members, the late F. A. Rose, who was a faithful member of our Board.

We regret that we have to report the lighter crop of honey during the existence of the Association.

The members have each been furnished with THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL as a bonus or a quid pro quo for their membership fees.

During the year there has been a special meeting of the Association in connection with the North American in Toronto last September. Also a board meeting at the beginning and ending of the year, and meeting of the Executive in Toronto in September.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PRESIDENT HALL'S ADDRESS.

BROTHER AND SISTER APIARISTS,—It rejoices my heart that so many of us are

spared to meet in convention, and that so large a number are here, notwithstanding the discouragement of the past season, many of us having had a total failure in honey and had to feed our stocks to carry them through the winter. But truly the apiarist is a hopeful being, and most of us are nursing our pets with the hope of a harvest in the summer of 1896. I trust that our hopes may be realized.

I am sure that you, with me, feel and regret the loss and death, and miss the kindly face of our esteemed friend, the late F. A. Rose, of Balmoral, who has met with us so often at our annual meetings.

I would suggest for your consideration that By-law No. 1 be amended by adding hereto, that those opposed to the interests of its welfare, be rejected or expelled, by a majority vote of the meeting or members.

I think you will see the need of this change in said By-law, as the association has no means of refusing membership to those who may oppose its best interests through the press or otherwise, whom, as member of the Association, use said membership to give force to the statements, the reverse of the unanimous vote of the Association.

Also that some stated time be made with a stenographer for the delivery of the written report, as in the past the revising Committee No. 1 has been very much troubled by delay. Also that some practical apiarist be present when the report is being re-written, to give the stenographer his assistance where he has caught any sound incorrectly.

I also think you will do well by choosing at a full meeting the revising committee. I feel that as bee-keepers and as an Association we are greatly indebted to our representatives and Parliament of Ontario for their generous and kindly feeling to the apiarist of Ontario, and especially for giving the Province an efficient foul brood inspector, whose services are put at our command.

I am also pleased that the bee-keepers through the province, excepting one or two would-be scientists, have cheerfully, willingly and thoroughly followed the inspectors' instructions, and made a clean job by so doing. They have clean and healthy apiaries, and will be in a position to reap a bountiful harvest, if the Ruler of all causes the nectar to secrete in the flowers.

I am pleased that so many in Europe have been seeking our produce, and hope that in the year 1896 we may have a full crop, and that the demand for it may be great. I find that our honey gives satis