

different islands in Georgian Bay, so far from shore and from each other so as to secure entire purity of blood in copulation. Queens and drones bred and mated under such circumstances, from pure imported stock, can not be otherwise than pure.

Henry Alley also, of Wrentham, Massachusetts, has, through a long series of experiments during many years, successfully applied science to the *modus operandi* of queen-rearing, and has recently given the world the fruits of his labors and researches in a work entitled "The Bee-Keeper's Handy-Book; or, Twenty-two Years' Experience in Queen-Rearing."

Another feature of present bee-culture, which is at once both largely the cause of its present advanced condition in this country and the best proof of its wide extension, is its periodical literature. Devoted wholly or partially to apiculture, we now have no less than three or four papers in Canada, and nearly a dozen in the United States. Among the latter is one *weekly* devoted *exclusively* to bee-culture. This is the "American Bee Journal," published in Chicago by Thomas G. Newman. Among the former is the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, a weekly, just commenced under the most favorable and promising auspices. It is edited and published by D. A. Jones, of Beeton, Ontario.

Since the hitherto great difficulty of successfully wintering bees in these climates has been nearly overcome by the application of science, bee-culture must, in the near future, become a great and profitable national industry in Canada and the United States.

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CONVENTION REPORTS.

We have the report of the Middlesex Bee-Keeper's Convention on our desk, and hope to find room for it in our next issue.

FORCE PUMPS.

We have received a sample force pump from the manufacturer which seems to be a pretty good thing. We have written for a cut of it, and next week or the week following we will be able to illustrate it, and give more particulars.

HOW TO DEVELOP A HOME MARKET.

Every little while the request comes in to us to be sure and get up that pamphlet on the above subject, which Friend Pringle wrote of in

No. 1 of the BEE JOURNAL, page 9. We are now going to work at it and in a short time we hope to have it out. We don't know just what shape it will be got up in yet, but we intend to get it up so that it can be sold very reasonably to our customers for free distribution amongst their neighbors.

THE CANADIAN FLORIST

Is a neat little quarterly, published by F. Mason, Peterborough, Ont., and is devoted to the cultivation of flowers, fruits and vegetables. The price is only 25c. per annum, and we should think from the number before us that if all are up to this one, every lover of flowers and fruits could get the worth of the whole subscription out of each number.

BEES NOW OUT.

Friend Corneil, Lindsay, sends us the following, with the request that it be appended to his article, "Keep Your Packing Dry," which, however was in print when the latter reached us. In reading it, refer to his article on page 86, of the JOURNAL for May 6th:

"Since the above was written we have set out the bees in our home cellar, containing 77 stocks. We found two starved, the only cases of starvation I had this year. These make a total loss of ten out of 154, one-half wintered on their summer stands, and the other half in the cellar."

HALDIMAND BEE-KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION.

The next meeting of the Haldimand Bee-Keepers' Association will be held at Nelles' Corners, on Friday, the 29th May, 1885, at eleven o'clock a. m., when the following subjects will be discussed: 1. Winter losses, and the cause of loss. 2. Which is the most profitable, comb or extracted honey. 3. Which is the best place to secure comb honey—in the brood chamber or over it? 4. How to sell our honey to the best advantage. 5. Question Drawer. Now, what every member should do is to go prepared to argue the subjects which are down for discussion. Jot down any little points you may have noticed in connection with your wintering which you think have tended to bring your bees through successfully or otherwise, so that your brother bee-keepers' may learn and profit thereby.

OUR MAILER.

We have been so very busy that as yet we have not got our mailing machine to work, and we have had to write the addresses on all our JOURNALS. Next week we hope to have all the list printed, and the names will then be so plain that there will be little danger of the JOURNAL's going astray. Some of our subscribers have written us that some numbers have failed to