

will take up a subject which I think should interest every honey producer in Ontario, that is the "Absence of Honey on the Hotel Tables."

We all know that when we meet in convention in Toronto or elsewhere, with very few exceptions, there is no honey on the tables. Why is it so? Perhaps those good people think bee-keepers are sweet enough critters without giving them any honey to eat, or perhaps they never think of procuring that all important and most delicious sweet for their tables.

Now, sir, perhaps if we as honey producers would only stop and think a moment, we might find the fault is our own and not Mr. Bonniiface's.

First. Do we push the sale of our honey towards the hotel keeper?

Second. Do we deal with him as we would with a local groceryman?

Third. Do we INSIST on ALL hotel keepers to supply us with honey at our meals?

My answer to all these questions is, No! With regard to the first question, I would say, some of us at least, are too modest to go into an hotel for our meals when we can get it off a friend down town, and therefore don't like to come in contact with hotel people; and with regard to the second question, would say, why not sell to our hotel keepers at wholesale prices as we would to a small retail grocer, who very often prefer to have adulterated stuff in fancy glasses upon his shelves than the genuine honey produced by the honest bee-keeper.

Now, as to my third and last question, would say, every producer of honey who has honey to sell, should never forget that he or

she is a bee-keeper, and always call for honey, even if they know they won't get it, but by keeping everlasting at it they will finally succeed in bringing about what we have preached all over our fair land, that honey should be on every table. You know sir, that in unity there is strength, and so if we as bee-keepers would put our shoulder to the wheel and give every hotel keeper a good push to have honey on the table (not at the table) its value as a food would become better known to all, and we could find a better market at our own doors than we ever dreamed of. Now, I think there must be something radically wrong along this line and whether the fault lies with the bee-keeper, or the hotel keeper, or a combination of both, deponent sayeth not.

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GINGER HONEY-CAKE.—1 cup honey, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup butter or drippings, 1 tablespoon boiled cider in a half a cup of hot water (or $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of sour milk will do instead). Warm these ingredients together, and then add 1 tablespoon ginger and 1 tablespoon soda sifted in with flour enough to make a soft batter. Bake in a flat pan.

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