

## SUNDRY SELECTIONS.

### MORE LIGHT.

B. LOSEE.—You correspondent, Mr. Bridge, very properly gives his county and address, which is always necessary to judge.

Light is very attractive to bees in confinement, it is their life. My bees cross a light cellar from a cold cellar when the temperature has registered between 32° and 38°, and so far are quiet and are raising brood, loosing a bee a day by natural causes, and the discharge is in proportion to the loss of bees.

Cobourg, Feb. 25th, 1887.

### THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION.

S. T. PETTIT.—Allow me to say in answer to Friend Heddons' call in a recent number of C. B. J. for an International Convention of bee-keepers, that my son has been suffering in a critical condition for some three weeks with inflammatory rheumatism which throws many cares upon me of which I have been relieved of for several years, and besides all that my own health is badly shattered so that it will be out of the question for me to give any attention to the matter at present, but should a convention be called I will do my best to be present.

Belmont, Ont., Feb. 28th, 1887.

### ELLIS IMPROVED SUPER.

WILL ELLIS.—I am going to make a T super one half the width of hive. Mine shall be six inches wide inside, to hold three sections with separators. By making the supers in two parts they can be changed bringing the two outside rows to the centre of brood. I have been studying for some time how to solve this problem and I think I have done it. I have never seen it in use or in print. I shall claim it as my invention but any one can try it and report, yourselves included.

St. Davids, Ont., Feb. 25th, 1887.

### BEES KEPT QUIET BY GIVING THEM AIR.

WM. BUEGLASS.—From my experience I think S. T. Pettit is correct in his statement in C. B. J. Feb. 23rd, 1887, in regard to fresh air keeping bees quiet. Last winter I set a colony with the entrance (size of entrance  $\frac{1}{2} \times 12$  inches) about 2 ft. from the supply ventilator. Bees remained quiet with a change of temperature every day from 52° to 60°. If temperature went over 60° bees would begin to move around. They consumed very little honey and came out in splendid condition.

I had a good warm cushion over frames; I never gave bees water in winter confinement.

Don't think I will ever want to, unless to see if it would give bees dysentery. I have the fresh air idea under a good test this winter in my experiment room.

Bright, Ont., Feb. 26th, 1887.

Here we have already one favourable reply. Now, the next one please.

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### A CORRECTION.

We regret indeed the typographical error which made us say that *nine* of the suits as against bee-keepers which were taken up and defended by the "Bee-keeper's Union" were lost. Our copy said *none*, and by some means the accidental use of the letter "i" instead of "o" made the greatest difference in the world to the meaning we intended to convey. We thank the A. B. J. for calling our attention to it. The item appeared on page 931.

### THE BEE-KEEPERS' ADVANCE.

The editors of the *Advance* take the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL to task for what it terms "sarcasm" in our notice of it on page 895. Well, really, we hadn't meant to be so very sarcastic and we apologise, right here, if we were "shorter" than we should have been, as such was not our intention. So much has been said of late about copying the works of others and taking similar names or names on which there was a "moral patent," that we felt like having a joke at friend Mason's expense. When the C. B. J. commenced publication, it took *Gleanings* as its pattern, to a great extent, but we said so at the time, in our prospectus, because as friend M. remarks in his reply to us, "It would be hard indeed, at the present time, to publish a journal combining the several interesting features of correspondence, question department, letter-box, etc. and not pattern in part after some of our valuable journals." As to the motto of the C. B. J. which the *Advance* has, in substance, copied, we were the first to use it in connection with a bee publication, and had any one else had it, we should have cast about for some other motto representative of our ideas as to the interests which our journal was published to represent. The motto, of itself, is "as old as the hills." We did not wish to call the good people of the *Advance* thieves, so we "take it back." Seriously, issue No. 2 is away in advance (this is no pun) of No. 1, as to style and make up, and the contents are equally good, so that we again wish it success. This makes *three* times.