

supplying them with wire screen protectors for doors and windows, remove your bees beyond reach of the factories.

ALLEN PRINGLE, SELBY, ONT.—I would suggest that you go to the candy factory people and kindly suggest to them the plan of putting up gauze windows and doors over those exposed in order to keep the bees out, and this to be done at your expense.

H. D. CUTTING, CLINTON, MICH.—I should have my doubts about the bees, being killed and thrown out by the bushel, unless I saw it myself. Let the parties owning bees club together and put screens to all doors and windows of the candy factories.

S. CORNEIL, LINDSAY, ONT.—Where bees are kept in town there is considerable loss about breweries and grocery stores at times when there is no nectar to be gathered. I know of no plan by which such loss can be prevented except by moving the bees to the country.

G. W. DEMAREE, CHRISTIANBURG KY.—If the candy factories were there before I was I would move my bees out of reach of them. If I was there first, I would get the proprietors to use wire cloth doors and windows to the factories. And under the laws of this state I would prosecute them for poisoning my bees.

J. E. POND, FOXBORO, MASS.—The only possible remedy I can suggest is to furnish wire screens for the windows and doors of the candy factories. These, if used, will prevent much of the loss, but some loss must be expected no matter what steps are taken to prevent. A few sections of nice honey presented to the proprietors of the said factories, will promote friendly feeling, and serve as a sugar coating for the pill.

BY THE EDITOR.—Have never had any experience but think we would give them wire screens or mosquito bars sufficient to protect them from the bees.

REGULATING ENTRANCE.

QUERY No. 90.—In regulating entrance to size and requirements of colony are you governed at all by whether bees are drumming (ventilating) at entrance? If it were possible would you prefer to have it so regulated that they would never be seen drumming or that they would always do it some?

DR. A. B. MASON, WAGON WORKS, O.—I. Yes. 2. Would prefer drumming.

M. EMIGH, HOLBROOK, ONT.—I have no objection to hear the bees drumming at entrance.

DR. C. C. MILLER, MARENGO, ILL.—I. Yes. 2. I don't think I should want to prevent it entirely.

O. O. POPPLETON, WILLIAMSTOWN, IOWA.—I would prefer to regulate entrances so that bees would drum a little, but that is impracticable.

G. M. DOOLITTLE, BORODINO, N.Y.—Unless the bees gnaw at the entrance, or cluster on the outside of the hive rest assured that their doorway is large enough.

S. CORNEIL, LINDSAY, ONT.—I do not mind a few bees fanning at the entrance, but if they show any inclination to cluster out, they need more room and more ventilation.

H. D. CUTTING, CLINTON, MICH.—No, but at the first indication of hanging out I raise the hive up from the platform about one-half inch with little blocks at the corners giving that space all around.

G. W. DEMAREE, CHRISTIANBURG, KY.—Yes. When many bees engage in ventilating the hive I enlarge the entrance till it is fully opened. Nothing pleases me better in early spring than to get my bees to "roaring."

PROF. A. J. COOK, LANSING, MICH.—When cold I keep them closed so as to prevent chilling of brood. When the weather is hot and the bees busy I open wide, and yet they ventilate. I guess they like to and I am willing to indulge them.

DR. J. C. THOM, STREETSVILLE, ONT.—I regulate entrance as to size according to the heat of the weather, and strength of the colony. I would ventilate if a colony were roaring and it were warm weather, the roaring or ventilating however, is chiefly for the purpose of evaporation of the watery parts of the newly gathered honey, necessary to the proper ripening of the same.

JUDGE ANDREWS, MCKENNY, TEXAS.—I. Yes, but I do not want either extreme—want to see drumming in hot weather, but not very vigorous drumming—that indicates that there is not enough cool air then being admitted; should they not drum in very hot weather, I feel sure they will be too cool on cool nights, as we have them in Texas even in midsummer. 2. Neither, as above foreshown.

J. E. POND, FOXBORO, MASS.—I expect to see bees drumming at the entrances, no matter what plan of ventilation is used. My aim is to prevent loafing as much as possible, and unless a cluster of loafers is found on front of hives I conclude