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When the clover fields are white with bloom, and the linden shakes its creamy cups, and summer is drunk with a thousand perfumes, the provident bee garners the matchless food that needs no cook to prepare it, no spice to season it and no fair hand to tempt us to eat what God has provided in the great storehouse of Nature for all His children.

TWO QUEENS IN A HIVE

I read with interest the letter "More Than One Queen in a Hive," by C. A. Procnier. Will you kindly advise, through your columns or otherwise, the best method of introducing several queens in one hive? I have tried to have two virgins together in a nucleus, but found in every attempt that one of them was killed by the other.

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[We must frankly admit we do not know of a plan whereby you can secure two queens in a hive. There has been much written upon this question during the last year. Some few say they have successfully done so. Some advise allowing a young queen to live with her mother when the mother is about three years old. The two queens are tolerated for a time, but one soon disappears. Our advice is to leave the matter alone, unless you want to do experimenting. So far the matter is only a fad among the experimenters. Again, two queens are not needed in a hive. One can lay all the eggs that the bees can take care of up to the honey flow. In tropical countries this may not be so, but it is true of Canada. We believe it would be a loss of valuable time, expensive and troublesome, with nothing to be gained. Ed.]

The value of honey imported into the United Kingdom in the month of August, 1908, was £3,570. —From a Return supplied to the Irish Bee Journal by the Statistical Office, H.M. Customs, London, England.

A FEW MORE DON'TS TO BEGINNERS

I see by C.B.J., page 379, October issue, that one of my friends is still depending on his good friend Jock for the C.B.J. and other information, as he gathers it around corners in reference to pilfering to economize. None of that done at the convention in Detroit, as there were no arrests and no disorder, only lots of hammers, that followed us from hall to hall.

I thank my friend for his very kind offer and call it a bargain (page 380), and will promise not to hit him very hard with any stray shots, so get out from behind the shield. I want to whisper how we will succeed in carrying out our plans. Subscribe right away for C.B.J., even if you have to borrow the dollar, and save your pennies and come to Toronto convention; then try and work your way into the ring, and then we may accomplish something.

Don't stop in that class, putting so much dependance in your good friend Jock, for that is where so many have made a failure in life, and woke up when it was too late to find themselves in the poorhouse. I would feel terribly grieved to have a friend that takes so much interest in me to be found in that class.

Don't try to produce comb honey in a square hive, for I see by Gleanings that it cannot be done, especially if you use full sheets of foundation in sections. Whether it is on account of management, or you cannot get bees enough to occupy both sides of section at the same time, we have no trouble in using full sheets in sections on a small hive.

Don't neglect your bees at this season, for this is the most critical period. See that they have abundance of stores, for that is the first step in successful wintering; in the second place, have them well housed for winter and kept perfectly dry, and you need not fear a cold and severe winter.

Don't miss Toronto convention.

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