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Acting on resolutions passed by a number of the County Bee-keepers' Associations, the Department has restricted the work, except in special cases, to the time from the 15th of May until the 15th of August. In this period each inspector is asked to devote 24 days to the work. The appropriation has been increased from \$1,800 to \$2,500, but with the increased number of inspectors it has been found absolutely necessary to limit the amount of time each inspector can apply to the work.

Mr. M. Pettit, of Nixon, has been appointed to the position of Provincial Apiarist. His duties will consist of inspection work for the districts above mentioned, superintendent of the apiary which it is proposed to establish at Jordan Hârbor, and lecturer at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, and among bee-keepers generally. Mr. Pettit has had a good training for this work through his experience as teacher, preacher, and writer for various journals. He will be given a free hand in regard to his experimental work, and it is hoped that much of value will be obtained from the results of these experiments. It will be noted that his inspection district is larger than that of any of the others. This is due to the fact that he will be able to devote the greater part of his time during such period to the inspection work, as the apiary at Jordan Harbor will not take up much of his time the first year.

In regard to the inspection work, we would ask that bee-keepers everywhere over the Province who have any suspicion of the existence of foul brood in their neighborhood would send word direct to me at the Department of Agriculture before the opening of the inspection season. In this way much valuable time may be saved to the inspectors and better work accomplished. The Department desires the co-operation of all of the bee-keepers in the forward work that they are undertaking.

P. W. HODGETTS.

EXPERIMENTS WITH FARM CROPS

The members of the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union are pleased to state that for 1909 they are prepared to distribute into every township of Ontario material of high quality for experiments with fodder crops, roots, grains, grasses, clovers and fertilizers, as follows:

No.	Experiments	Plots
1	Three varieties of Oats.....	3
2a	Three varieties of Six-rowed Barley	3
2b	Two varieties of Two-rowed Barley	2
3	Two varieties of Hulless Barley	2
4	Two varieties of Spring Wheat.	2
5	Two varieties of Buckwheat....	2
6	Two varieties of Field Peas....	2
7	Emmer and Spelt	2
8	Two varieties of Soy, Soja, or Japanese Beans	2
9	Three varieties of Husking Corn	3
10	Three varieties of Mangels.....	3
11	Two varieties of Sugar Beets for feeding purposes	2
12	Three varieties of Swedish Turnips	3
13	Two varieties of Fall Turnips... ..	2
14	Two varieties of Carrots.....	2
15	Three varieties of Fodder or Silage Corn	3
16	Three varieties of Millet.....	3
17	Two varieties of Sorghum.....	2
18	Grass Peas and two varieties of Vetches	3
19	Rape, Kale, and Field Cabbage	3
20	Three varieties of Clover.....	3
21	Testing two varieties of Alfalfa (Lucerne)	2
22	Four varieties of Grasses.....	4
23	Three varieties of Field Beans.	3
24	Three varieties of Sweet Corn... ..	3
26	Fertilizers with Swedish Turnips	6
27	Sowing Mangels on the level, and in drills.....	2
28a	Two varieties of Early Potatoes	2
28b	Two varieties of medium ripening Potatoes	2
28c	Two varieties of Late Potatoes.	2
29	Three grain mixtures for grain production	3
30	Three mixtures of Grasses and Clover, for hay.....	3

Each plot is to be 2 rods long by 1 rod wide, except No. 28, which is to be one rod square.

Any person in Ontario may choose any ONE of the experiments for 1909 and