

In reference to inducements to canvass for THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, we would refer our readers to the "Strictly Business" column.

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The price of honey, as far as we can say, should be about the same as last year.

**PRICE OF HONEY** There has been a good crop generally. The percentage of comb honey, as compared with extracted honey, is larger. The general quality is better than last year. Small fruits have been a good crop generally, but the apple crop is decidedly light, as will be seen from a table taken from The Canadian Horticulturist, which will prove of interest to bee-keepers. In one city where the price of honey a year ago was 12½ cents per pound on the market, or 10 pounds for \$1, we find a bee-keeper who has only a few colonies selling at 10 cents per pound, or 11 pounds for \$1, making it practically 9 cents per pound. A portion of the honey must be wholesaled, thus reducing the wholesale price below 8 cents per pound.

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**THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL** will be represented at the Montreal Provincial Exhibition, the Toronto Industrial and the Western, London. We shall be pleased to have subscriptions left with us at these places.

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We have wintered bees on buckwheat honey two seasons, one season in the cel-

**BUCKWHEAT HONEY.** lar, another season on summer stands, with good success. A number of our leading bee-keepers appear to feel confident it is not safe to winter on such honey. While we would take chances and use buckwheat in this way it may be less safe to use it. We all know while working on buckwheat the sting from a bee is more painful. This is on account of a more powerful secretion of formic acid or because it is secreted in increased quantities. This being the case, these questions would arise: Is this increased or stronger secretion a provision of nature to preserve the honey, it having pro-

perties which make it more liable to ferment? If so, will the increased amount of formic acid in well-ripened honey make its keeping properties equal to clover? If this is answered in the affirmative, the danger will lie in unripe honey. Or is the increased or stronger secretion of honey merely on account of something in the honey? In our estimation nature works too much hand in hand to reply to the latter question in the affirmative.

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**UNEXPIRED SUBSCRIPTIONS.** In order to clearly define the position of the present proprietors of THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, we would say they have agreed to fill all unexpired subscriptions, their responsibility beginning with the August number. To advertising patrons we would say the former publishers settle with their patrons and the new proprietors begin with a clean sheet.

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To those who have not seen the August number of THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL we would say it is our intention to have a department conducted by the editor, taking up first Steps in Bee-Keeping. It will be for the information of those having a limited experience in bee-keeping.

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