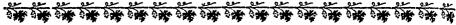
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Yours dated Aug. 8th, duly came to hand. I beg to apologize for not replying to it earlier. I have been very busy with the harvest and so it was forgotten.

Being very young in the "Bee Business" I can scarcely answer your questions as I

should like.

1. Good, (increased 2 colonies to 6.) I speak for myself.

Good with me-no other bees kept near me. Good. 8.

Very good. Good I think; but do not know enough about them to say definitely.

6. Cannot say.

My bees seem to work partly on buck-

wheat and partly on clover.

8. Very good I consider. Increase from 6 to 18 colonies. I do not consider my bees have done so well lately as they did in the earlier part of the season, on account of the spell of hot dry weather we had. As soon as I open a hive, robbers commence operations, so I have to leave them till I am prepared for them.
Yours truly

J. T. Colson.

Pembroke, Renfrew Co., Ont., Aug. 29, 1896.

I had no bees last year but bought twentyfive colonies. The man I bought of had twenty-six colonies and they all wintered— lost none. The bees seemed to build up fast in the spring. I don't know much about the white clover and thistle flow but I had about two hundred sections that were sale-able. There is plenty of buckwheat throughout this part and I think I will have 12,00 lbs..of buckwheat honey. I had thirty swarms this summer—all in June M. KITCHEN.

Mabee, Norfolk Co., Ont.

In replying to your questions of August 18th, would say there was no swarming in this locality in 1895. Bees wintered well the past winter, or all that were supplied with plenty of winter stores and properly prepared. The past spring has built up

well in this locality until the middle of May. Then there was a total absense of honey till the 1st of July. At that time they were short of honey and not strong in brood. The colony yielded nothing; in fact there was no clover, caused by drouth Basswood yielded 55lbs. per colony in my apiary, taken at one extracting. This yields nothing here. Prospects for buck wheat are very good in some localities I have 300 colonies on the Murray Canal that are doing well, but my Trenton apiary will do well if they get their winter's supply. Swarming has has been below the average this season. I have had but two swarms although some has had excessive swarm-C. W. Post.

Trenton, Ontario Co., Ont.

You will have to excuse me for not asswering your questions sooner. But has they are:

1. None.

2. Good.

8. Good.

4. Fair. 5. Good.

ô. None. Fair.

Good.

Yours &c.,

JAMES ARMSTRONG. Cheapside, Haldimand Co., Ont Aug 2,

I have much pleasure in answering the questions you sent me as follows:

 My bees did not swarm in 1895. 2. As far as I could learn there we heavy loss s in bees last winter caused by shortage of stores.

3. Bees built up splendidly in spring Never had mine worked so much in April before

4. The clover flow of honey has been scanty and the bees did not gather mul per day. The blossoms were on drieds by the drought.

The basswood trees we: loaded with blossoms and the yield The heavy, bees working very har! and storical