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ANDERWERKEN.

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A. TERRILL

I went into winter with 120 good strong colonies and wintered 72 of them outdoors, some in old style A. I. Root Chaff hives, and the others in winter cases for one hive each, made high enough to hold 12 frame supers. The bees remain in them summer and winter. They all wintered in good order. Forty eight colonies were placed in the cellar on the 15th of November, and brought out on the 6th April. They were all alive, most of them having lost scarcely any bees at all. In December I was sorry I had put them in, for I had to open the cellar doors on many nights. A good cellar is an excellent place to winter bees in, but my cellar is not a dry one.

There are some things past finding out about the wintering of bees. I was on the point of making a high board fence around my apiary, à la Holtermann, but the south row of my Chaff hives is due eastward from the south-east corner of my bee-house; and the south-west wind sweeps back along my house and wood house, striking the bee house, whirling the snow clear from about six hives, and piling it in great drifts on the remainder of the hives. Those hives that were so exposed wintered as well as any, but my apiary is somewhat protected by fruit and maple trees and a high board fence at the north. I incline a shade board over the entrance, (the same board that I use for an alighting board in the summer) which keeps the snow and wind from blowing in at the entrance which is left open  $\frac{3}{8}$  by 8 inches. For cellar wintering I have the 12 frame Holtermann hive, leaving the cover on, and placing the wedges in to give them the largest entrance. The cellar varied very little in temperature from 45 degrees all winter.

Wintering them was easy compared with "springing" them in a spring like the present. I have united four colonies that I found queenless with four others and none of them seem quite as strong as they did two weeks ago, but I am hopeful.

They gathered pollen freely on the 15th from swamp willows, and again yesterday from soft maples near by. Today it is raining and I hope it will not turn so cold again.

The clovers have wintered well here, and our prospects are good for a crop of clover honey—equally as good this season as last when we averaged 130 lbs per

colony extracted, which is about as much as we ever got here. The flow only lasted about ten days, for hot weather set in and stopped the flow. But we had our bees, hives and surplus combs all ready and we got the honey.

ILA MICHENER.

Low Banks, Apr. 22, 1912.

### WELLINGTON COUNTY B.K.A.

An interesting meeting for Bee-keepers was held in the village of Drayton on Monday, April 8th, in the council chamber, when some fifty or more interested ladies and gentlemen were present, with Mr. F. W. Krouse, of Guelph, president of the Wellington County Bee-keepers' Association, in the chair.

The meeting had the great pleasure of having Miss Ethel Robson, of Ilderton, address them on the subject of spring management of bees, an address which was listened to with very close attention, as it was a timely subject for all. Many questions were asked the speaker, all of which were cheerfully answered.

The second speaker was Mr. Morley Pettit, provincial apiarist at the O. A. C. The good work being done by the Government along the lines of making conditions better for the bees and bee-keepers also were touched upon splendidly by the speaker.

Demonstrations were arranged for early in May, one at the O. A. C., one at Mr. H. Angells', Elora, one at Arthur, and the fourth to be arranged for later either at Drayton or Moorefield.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, F. W. Krouse, Guelph; Vice President, D. Scott, Salem; Secretary-Treasurer, Chas. Ryde, Guelph. Directors—Mr. Bellamy, Bellwood; Mr. Fyfe, Harriston; Miss Spence, Metz; Mr. Foster, Elora; Mr. J. P. Young, Hullsberg; Mr. Malcolmson, Moorefield; Mr. Brandon, Drayton.

Naming Elora as the next place of meeting brought the gathering to a close.

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