

carefully and do not recollect that they have been able to find any. It does not require the scientist or a microscope to find out to our sorrow. We have taken the brown ropy matter, the worst foul brood that we could get, have mixed it in honey until the bright, clear honey became a brownish color. In fact, we placed so much in the honey that both the odor and taste was very apparent. We have fed that to queens and bees and after their bodies were filled, and we supposed their bodies must have contained millions of the germs, we have taken these same bees after fasting them and crushed them, mixing them up with honey and fed it to a clean colony in order to give the disease, which it did not. We have taken these queens, after being fed on the worst foul-brood honey that could possibly be, and every egg they laid produced perfect bees. The scientist apparently cannot tell when the contamination has disappeared from the alimentary canal. Without microscopic examination we can, or at least as far as practice goes, we have proved that we can. It does not matter to us if there are billions of germs in the bees as long as they are harmless, and do not give the disease to the colony. Why say that bees are full of foul-brood if it never gives the disease to the colonies? Why say queens lay diseased eggs? Scientists cannot say unless they destroy the egg, after which they cannot test it by hatching. Practice proves that no egg is sufficiently diseased when laid, to cause the larvae to become diseased. Mr. Corneil also quotes British authority unable to cure foul-brood by the fasting plan. Now, we are not to blame if they cannot cure by that system, and we do not believe that our British friends are now so far behind the times that they are unable to cure by this system if properly carried out. Mr. Root did not succeed until he scalded his hives, and some little thing left undone just causes the difference between success and failure. If what almost everybody can do in America cannot be done in Europe by anybody, it certainly seems strange, and if that is the case—which we doubt—we think Mr. Corneil had better quit quoting them as authority.

It is rumored that there will be an-

other Bee Journal started in Canada, and that the parties going into it intend making it one of the most brilliant Journals published. We have been consulted privately in reference to the matter, and should not be surprised if the scheme should be carried out. It seems to be the opinion of some that there is room for two Bee Journals in Canada. As editor of the Canadian Bee Journal perhaps we ought not to say what the results might be, but there is one thing certain that it would likely be the survival of the fittest. We know that the C. B. J. has not received all the attention that it should have during the last six months, since we have taken sole control of the editorship we were so much engaged in looking after the business and trying to keep things in shape, that it was impossible for us to devote as much time to it as we would otherwise like to have done. Several years ago the Bee Journal was absorbed by the company, and as it forms one of the assets of the company now in liquidation it will be sold. We do not know who will be the purchaser or who will control it, but this issue closes our editorship, and we have not decided what course we will take in future. We have been offered the editorship of the proposed new Journal, which we believe is to be called the Dominion Bee Journal, but as we are not anxious we refused. In future we may write for some of the other Journals. We trust, however, that the C. B. J. may fall into hands in whom all the friends have confidence, so as it will prosper as it deserves. Let us here thank our many friends for their forbearance, kindness, assistance and patronage, and trust in the future we may have many opportunities to meet with, converse and enjoy their company, and be much benefitted by it, as in the past.

We are asked by a subscriber if Calgary, N. W. T., is a good place for bees. Perhaps some subscriber can give us conclusive evidence. If they can be wintered properly we see no difficulty about the matter. There should be plenty of honey flowers in the vicinity.

We publish elsewhere the programme of the annual meeting of the Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association with the par-