

but the very doing of this by exciting dread of the disease makes it more difficult for its hopeless victims to receive the attention necessary to enable them to die in peace.

[The above is from a circular sent us by the National Sanitarium Association asking us to lay the matter before our readers. We are in entire sympathy with the movement and have no hesitation in recommending it. The need of such an institution is being more and more keenly felt as this dread scourge (consumption) increases year by year, and especially among the poorer classes who lack the necessary means to secure nourishing food and the proper care and attention for their afflicted ones and whose crowded and insalutary conditions often favor the spread of the disease.

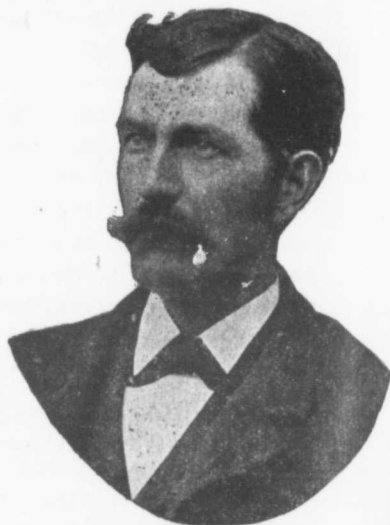
Note.—Those desirous of helping may remit to Hon. Sir William Meredith, Vice-President, or W. J. Gage, Treasurer, both of Toronto.

A Visit to the Coggsalls.

By W. Z. Hutchison.

After attending the Ontario Convention at Niagara Falls, and visiting the Pan American Exposition grounds, I took a run down to West Groton, N. Y., the home of W. L. and D. H. Coggsall, where I put in two solid days of visiting with a man whose number of colonies are rapidly approaching the 2,000 mark. Never before did this question of locality impress me so forcibly. The bee-keepers here very appropriately call themselves "buckwheaters." If it were not for the buckwheat that whitens the hills in August, bees could not be profitably kept in this region; as it is, there is a scrambling to plant an apiary in every unoccupied spot. When I asked Mr. Coggsall

why he planted some of his "apiaries so far from home, he said because there was no other unoccupied territory nearer home." "How did it happen," said I, "that this territory near you came to be so fully occupied before you were ready to



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(Courtesy of "Gleanings in Bee Culture.")

occupy it?" "Because I didn't keep my mouth shut," was the terse reply. White clover and basswood, from which so many of us secure our surplus, do but little more here than put the bees in good trim for the buckwheat. It will be seen that there is abundant time in which even weak colonies may build up for the harvest. The Coggsalls make their increase in June, which is before the opening of the buckwheat. The plan is as follows:—A hive is opened, if it can spare a comb of brood, one is taken; the bees being shaken off. Two combs are taken if they can be spared. If the next colony lacks in brood a comb is given it. In other words a sort of equalization is carried on; and, as soon as a sufficient number of combs of brood accumulates, a popu-

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