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Last fall we introduced quite a number of pure Carniolan queens with the object of giving them a thorough Carniolan Bees. test in the apiary. A very high opinion had been formed of these bees, previously, as far as gentleness is concerned. They are also good comb builders, and keep the hive comparatively free from propolis. We were not quite so sure about preventing excessive swarming. During the last few years we have learned to prevent this by means of shade ventilation and giving room at the proper time, and perhaps, the most recent design of Mr. S. T. Pettit, the enlargement of the entrance by means of strips $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch at one end and tapered to a point at the other, the length of the side of the hive and there inserted, thick end at the entrance, between the bottom board and the side of the hive, thus enlarging the entrance. So far, we are all well pleased with the Carniolan and expect to have splendid results, if the season permits. Swarming has been greater than with our other bees, they have built up well, and we are preparing to increase the number of Carniolan hives. Anyone wishing to try them, and present we certainly feel like recommending them, can be supplied by the Goold, Shapley & Muir Co. Limited. Tested Carniolan \$2; Untested \$1.25. In lots of three, 10 per cent. off the above prices.

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Our bees have been doing fairly well, probably fifteen years since we have had such an abundance of honey crop. of clover blossom. Basswood promises

well in this vicinity, there is an abundance of bloom. Owing to the unfavorable spring bees have not built up, and are not as strong as last year.

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Bulletin No. 47, Department of Inland Revenue, Ottawa is out. Out of 180 samples only 12 were adulterated. Honey Analysts. rated, or 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent., a very favorable showing, especially when we consider that some care was taken to send in the names of every suspected party. The Canadian public may well eat honey and feel confident of the purity of the article. There is just one objection we have to find. Where samples are taken from dealers they give the name of the party from whom they purchased. This should be corroborated by communicating with the producer, one party gave the name of Goold, Shapley & Muir, Co., Limited, who did not buy directly from that company at all. Other bee keepers may have been served in the same way.

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RICHMEW, June 7 1897.

Messrs. Goold, Shapley & Muir,

DEAR SIRS,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of shipment of comb foundation. It is the best I ever handled; it is truly perfection.
THOS. RAMAGE.

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Remember the United States Bee-Keepers' Union Convention in Buffalo, N. Y., August 24th, 25th, 26th, next. Full particulars in the August number of the C. B. J.