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QUESTION BOX CONDUCTED BY MR.  
MILLER, LONDON.

Question 1: Which is the best  
reason of the year to introduce  
queens.

Mr. Miller: I prefer during har-  
vest or directly after. If the queens  
are clipped we may exchange at that  
time, and even just after the honey  
flow I have found a very good time  
to introduce.

Mr. Chrysler: If the queen were  
introduced after the honey flow, you  
should better provide an extra amount  
of stores because the young queen  
will lay very late in the fall and con-  
sequently will consume more stores  
during the winter.

Mr. Evans: Would it be any ad-  
vantage to introduce them in the  
early spring, in the latter part of  
April or May?

Mr. Miller: It would with me, I  
think, be a disadvantage to introduce  
queens. If there is a loss it means a  
heavy drain on the honey flow.

Question 2. Which is the better,  
the one piece or four piece sections.

Mr. Miller: The four piece section  
has its shape better and makes a

nicer package for the market and a  
stronger package.

Mr. Smith: Which is most gener-  
ally used in Canada, one piece or  
four piece? I notice that upon the  
American side they use nearly all  
one piece, while on this side I fancy  
the four piece is more generally used.  
Which has the greater advantages.

Mr. Hall: Mr. Craig and Mr.  
Chrysler would be the gentlemen to  
answer that question.

Mr. Craig: I would say 50,000 one  
piece to 1,000 four piece.

Mr. Chrysler: I was going to say  
five to one of the one piece. But I  
find those who are considered the  
best bee-keepers in this country are  
as a rule using the four piece section.

Mr. Fixter: Have those who use  
the four piece ever used the split  
top one piece, and if they have don't  
they find that very much better than  
the ordinary one piece?

Mr. Hall: You have not taken  
very many thousand pounds of honey  
in the comb for market, otherwise  
you would not ask that question,  
because you have got a great deal of  
scraping to do which, if you hadn't  
that slot in the top, you would avoid.

Mr. Smith: I used the split top bar  
sections which I bought from Mr. D.  
A. Jones first, and while they may be  
all right for those who use starters,  
if you wanted to use full sheets of  
foundation I don't think they are as  
good as the top bar not split.