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Department of Agriculture, and that we ask their assistance and co-operation in this matter.

We need not fear to go into the venture if we can have the Department of Agriculture at our backs, as honey introduced in this way would have a standing such as no private individual could give it. We believe that we could send honey excelled by no other country and only this should we send.

What Is the Greatest Feature in the Advancement of our Industry To-day

We believe it is the expert bee-keepers handling a great number of colonies of bees divided into several apiaries, separated two or more miles apart. In this manner we have advanced greatly in the past ten years and it would only seem reasonable to look for something similar in the next ten.

What is the Greatest Detriment to Our Advancement?

Foul brood, surely. We still have it to a considerable extent and we believe our duty is to try and have all those that handle or attempt to handle bees know what the disease is and how to cure it. To accomplish this will take time and energy of our best bee-keepers, whether they hold positions as Inspectors We believe that the Foul Brood Inspectors are doing an excellent service in spreading general knowledge in bee-keeping all over the Province and we can only say "let the best men possible be appointed to the positions and more of them."

Our Provincial Apiarist is now established at the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph where he has facilities to assist bee-keeping as never before, and we may use him in the way we think best to experiment for us. Any reasonable suggestions we make will receive careful consideration and it would be wise for us to make them as practical as possible. To illustrate: It would not do us as much

good to tell us that we produced 58 lbs. of honey per colony as if he could tell us how to produce 68 lbs. with the same labor and expense.

Our Membership Has Increastd to a Considerable Extent.

Our affiliated societies are the same number as last year. There should be a society in almost every one or two counties so the bee-keepers could have the advantage of having expert lecturers sent to lecture at their meetings.

The Horticultural Exhibition is one of the Institutions that is helping us, as in this we can show our produce to the consumer. I think we may well take up the idea of making county exhibits in the same manner as the fruit grovers are doing.

Our Programme.

We adopted a somewhat new plan in getting it up by asking each Director to suggest topics so that there would be something to suit the different parts of the Province.

Do Our Conventions Help Us in a Practical Way.

We may not notice very much during the days we are at the convention what it is, but there is some feature each year that we are benefited by, and we must not forget that what knowledge we have to-day of bee-keeping was given to us by many of those that are not with us to-day. There was a feature last year in our convention of a practical demonstration on raising queens by Mr. Clark, of New York State. From the discussion and practical work we have had on this subject, we are glad to tell Mr. Clark that he has not been forgotten. What about Mr. House? Well, he knows full well that he has done us a lot of good, and to show his unselfishness, it would take very little to have him come over the border with us. We have room for him with many other people that are coming from the South.