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Does Bee-Keeping Pay Better Than Farming?

Yes; farming for years past has not paid as well in proportion to the amount invested as bee-keeping. Few farmers have succeeded in making more than expenses, working hard early and late at that. The same earnestness and expenditure in apiculture would give far different results. Then again, many could engage in apiculture who cannot in farming, and many could engage in apiculture in connection with their farming. From \$500 to \$1,000 will give a person as good a start in bee-keeping as \$4,000 to \$8,000 will in farming. There is another advantage in connection with bee-keeping, and that is—a person can move into a locality where the bee pasture is very plentiful, and as soon as the locality becomes a poor one he can change to another more favorable. Many places might be occupied for a lifetime by a bee-keeper without any opposition. In that case he could sow honey plants, and have a continuous yield from spring until fall, and might occupy sufficient

ground to raise small fruits which pay even better than farming.

The new sections of our country also offer advantages for stock raising, as during the summer season it would cost nothing for pasture. In this way many people might make for themselves very happy and comfortable homes. The northern parts of Ontario are specially adapted for the work, as the forests not only produce abundance of honey for the bees in the summer, but there is plenty of pasture, so that stock can roam at will.

There seems to be a large number of bee-keepers desirous of securing a smart young man to learn bee keeping. Several have written us in reference to the matter. Now we will publish free of charge a list of names of those parties desiring to secure assistance in their apiary for a season or two; and we will also publish the names and addresses of those who would like to learn bee-keeping, in order that we may swell the number of bee-keepers, and benefit those engaged in the business. Now friends, send on your names as soon as possible.

The *B.B.F.* reprints our article in reference to Mr. Alpaugh's invention, and remarks as follows:

"We print the above without comment, beyond the expression of a feeling of wonder that experienced bee-keepers can be found ready to part with their dollars under the impression that