

are not particularly encouraging. We do not know, of course, but some of the horrors he mentions sound very much like the hob-goblins that frequented the Island of Cuba some years ago. Strange how some of the bee-keepers who went there, succeeded, never-the-less. Mr. Laing arranges his remarks somewhat as follows:

"Sea-sickness.

Scorching tropical sun by day,

Flees by night,

Negroes,

Rats, Mice, Toads, etc.,

Expenses,*\$1.25 to \$2 per day.

Beautiful mountain scenery,

Luscious tropical fruits,

One hundred pounds of honey per colony, which can be sold at 5c to 6c per lb., purchaser paying for containers.

The foregoing, I believe, will be the concensus of opinion of all northern apiarists who may visit this island, unless they run across something more attractive than I have."

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In July last the Dominion government decided to make a display of honey at several exhibitions in England, Mr. R. F. Holtermann, Brantford, was asked to collect 1500 lbs. of extracted honey and also some comb. Only ten days could be given for the honey to reach Ottawa, but comb and extracted honey were secured in sufficient quantities. The following letter is a report of the result, which should be very satisfactory to Canadian bee-keepers:

Exhibition Branch, Ottawa,
November 11, 1904.

R. F. Holtermann, Esq., Brantford:

Dear Sir,—Replying to your letter of the 10th, I beg to inform you that we took part in the following exhibitions which were held in the Royal Agricultural Hall, Islington, London:

Confectioners', Bakers' and Allied Traders' Exhibition and Market, Sept. 3rd to 10th.

The Grocery, Provisions and Allied Traders' Exhibition and Market, Sept. 17th to 24th.

Dairy Show, October 4th 5th, 6th and 7th.

At all these exhibitions we occupied 1200 square feet of floor space, and put up an exhibit of food products that was an eye-opener to the British public. The honey attracted a great deal of attention and was favorably commented on by the members of the British Bee-Keepers' Association.

Some of the judges sampled the Canadian honey, and pronounced it equal to any on exhibition.

Yours Very Truly

Canadian Exhibition Commission,
WM. HUTCHINSON,

Commissioner.

Per W. H. HAY.

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A writer in The British Bee Journal, commenting on the honey show at the Confectioners' Exhibition, in London, England, says:

"London is a big place, and requires a large quantity of food, of all kinds, every day; I would therefore impress on our home-producer that if we are not on the alert we have our Colonial brethren close by ready to do business on a large scale, even in our own line. I do hope our bee-keepers will pay a visit to the exhibition, and see not only the British section, but also the grand exhibit staged by the Canadian government, among which is a large parcel of fine section honey, and what is of greater interest to them is the fact that I was told an English firm had bought all the honey staged before the show was opened. Here we see the value of enterprise on the one part, and the breadth of London's requirements on the other."

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