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WM. COUSE
 President-elect, O.B.K.A.

WE "WATCHED" THE PRESIDENT

Our genial, newly-elected President, Mr. Wm. Couse, of Streetsville, has been given a much-merited recognition. For a number of years he has been the able and indefatigable Secretary of the Association. The members, in recognition of his valuable services, not only elected him to the Presidency, but also presented him with an address and a valuable gold watch. The following is the address, read by Mr. M. B. Holmes:

"To Wm. Couse, Esq.:

"Dear Sir,—We, your associates and co-workers in apicultural pursuits, would ask your indulgence for a moment, and ask you to kindly pardon us for detaining you while we speak to you on a matter which may seem to you of trifling or no importance, but which we think worthy of immediate consideration. As Secretary of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association for a number of years you have been more or less in the limelight, and your excellent and sterling qualities have not been unnoticed by us; indeed, we for years have known of your worth and are proud to believe that your star will

continue in the ascendancy until lost in the splendor of the 'High Noon' of Life. Your keen foresight in matters pertaining to our industry, and your knowledge of detail in the working out of the same, have been of great value to our Association during all these years. Your cheery greeting is an unfailing inspiration; in fact, your 'Good morning!' seems actually to presage a 'real good day.' We have been watching you, and now that we have come to the parting of the ways, and you are no longer our secretary, we desire still to 'watch' you, and we beg your acceptance of this gold watch as a slight token of our appreciation and regard for you. We trust that with this timepiece pleasant memories will remain with you while the sand in Life's hour-glass slowly but surely spends itself, and that at the close you may in retrospect have the comforting assurance that—

"Those who strew the violets shall reap the corn,
 And, having reaped and garnered, bring the plow
 And work fresh furrows 'neath the shady morn,
 And plant the "Great Hereafter in the Now."

"Signed on behalf of the Association:

"M. B. HOLMES."

President-elect Couse made a very feeling and humorous reply, and promised the Association his best efforts in the future as in the past. He took his seat amidst a hurricane of applause.

O.A.C. INSTRUCTOR AT MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURAL MEETING

Greenfield, Mass., Dec. 2.—The forenoon session to-day of the State Board of Agriculture's annual winter meeting was given over to the consideration of bee-keeping. Among the speakers was Chas. Stewart, bee inspector of the New York Department of Agriculture. He discussed "Profitable Bee-keeping." The afternoon programme included an address by Prof. H. H. Dean, of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, Ont. His subject was "The Cow and the Man, Twins of the Dairy Industry."