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5.—(1.) An inspector of the Board or of the local authority may at any time, accompanied as he thinks fit by an expert advisor, enter any building or place wherein he has reasonable ground for supposing that there are or have recently been bees affected by any pest or disease, or that any order under this Act has not been or is not being complied with, and to examine any bees on such premises and anything thereon used for or in connection with bees.

Provided that the powers of an inspector of a local authority shall not extend outside the district of the local authority.

(2.) If any person without lawful authority or excuse (proof thereof shall lie on him) refuses to any inspector or other officer acting in the execution of this Act or of an order under this Act admission to any building or place which the inspector or officer is entitled to enter and examine, or obstructs or impedes him in so entering or examining, or otherwise in any respect obstructs or impedes an inspector or other officer in the execution of his duty, or assists in any such obstructing or impeding, he shall be guilty of an offence against this Act and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding ten pounds.

6. This Act shall apply to Scotland in like manner as it applies to England and Wales, subject however, to this modification, namely, that the powers conferred on the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries shall in Scotland be exercisable by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, and that for the purposes of sub-section (2) of section three of this Act the Board of Agriculture for Scotland shall have the like powers as are conferred on the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries by section thirty-four of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, with respect to orders under that Act.

7. This Act may be cited as the Bee Disease Act, 1912.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

The *Corriere della Sera* writes:—A carrier was bringing a load of bees to market in Canelli d' Asti, between Turin and Alessandria. When he was nearing the village of Cassinasco, one of the boxes fell and broke, letting out a quantity of furious bees which fell upon the horse, badly stinging the poor beast.

The driver covered himself with a sack but as he was so badly stung on the hands and face he resorted to flight.

The horse next ran away and reached the town of Canelli where, to complete the mischief already done, the wagon overturned letting loose the rest of the bees in consequence.

Hordes of furious bees attacked everything and everybody; hasty flight, cries of pain and of "*Api furiose*" (angry bees) spread through the whole place. Not till after dark was there comparative peace and only under great difficulty were the ruins and the rest of their contents collected.

The poor animal in the meantime had been mercifully put an end to but the inhabitants of Canelli, for many days bore the marks of the fray.

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On 15th July a ten-year old boy, Hans Stahl, discovered a swarm on the trunk of a tree near the Caprivi Bridge, Charlottenburg, Berlin. With a crowd of others, armed with sticks, he tried to drive them away, when suddenly all present were attacked by the swarm. The little Stahl suffered most and was nearly overed with bees, and trying to get away from them, and frantic with pain, he dashed into the Spree, where he was drowned.

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We had recently the pleasure of meeting Mr. Wylie, Agricultural Editor of the *Globe* at Mr. John Clark's, Cainsville. Mr. Wylie is travelling the province, visiting the "small farmer" and