



"THE GREATEST POSSIBLE GOOD TO THE GREATEST POSSIBLE NUMBER."

VOL. IV. No. 2 BEETON, ONT., APRIL 4, 1888; WHOLE No. 158

## EDITORIAL.

THE first number of the *British Beekeepers' Adviser* is at hand. As we explained some weeks ago, this is a monthly designed especially for cottagers, and published at the very low price of 3c. per number. It will fill a niche in bee-keeping which was vacant until now.

Mrs. Ellen S. Tupper died on March 12, 1888, at El Pasco, Texas, so says the *A.B.J.* Her name was well known in bee-keeping circles.

Here is an item which is floating around through the local press of Ontario: "Prof. Root has a standing offer of \$1,000 for a sample of manufactured honey in the comb." This should have a good effect on the industry, and help to dispel some of the ideas people have got about artificial honey, even though the paragraph isn't "just in shape."

The directors of the O.B.K.A. at their meeting held in Toronto on the 28th ult. decided that the amount of a grant to local associations be \$35.00 on condition that they become affiliated with the parent association on or before the 1st of August. According to the constitution and by-laws the date for affiliation was placed at the 1st of November, the object being to give such associations representation at the annual meeting held in January. It

was decided however that in order to have the best use made of the grant that the affiliation should take place before the 1st of August. This will give the local associations an opportunity of expending the grant in the way of prizes for exhibits of honey at their local fairs, also for exhibits of apiarian appliances. Clause 9 of the constitution sets forth the way in which the money is to be expended. The prize lists of the local fairs are generally printed during August, and to have all the proper arrangements made it was thought necessary to change the date. All the local associations which have any idea of becoming affiliated should take steps at once to carry out all the necessary requirements so that all the work may not be left until the last moment. If the grants of the association are wisely expended there will be much good done and the interest in the honey exhibits at local fairs will be enhanced.

All members of the O.B.K.A. for the year 1888 will receive a good home bred Italian queen, as in terms of the motion which will be found on another page. The object is for the purpose of the introduction of new blood into the apiaries throughout the country. It will, of course, be necessary that those who receive queens should be members of the association before the date specified. As will be seen by advertisement on another page tenders will be received