

consumer as much now as it should.

If it is right to have a honey trust, it is necessary; it cannot be necessary unless it is right. In Gleanings (page 847) Stenog. quotes Mr. York on the cigarette evil: "But it pays in dollars and cents, don't you know? That's the test now-a days. What does a few thousand boys amount to if some one can make a few more dollars?" As irony that is all right, but let's not put it into practice. According to the golden rule, we surely should have a voice in fixing the price of our honey. Have we? Little if any. Trusts make trusts. Manufacturing concerns can say, "Your honey is worth three cents," and that settles it. Even then our present method of getting the three cents is wasteful and unhandy.

A serious foe is the can-trust. We may never be able to make tin; again we may. At the present price of tin, there is a big leak that might be attended to. Individuals cannot do it; State bee-keepers' societies cannot; the National Association may.

If the present agitation takes tangible form, I expect to embark, if my honey is to be in the power of an honest man or a stranger. If I know the man to be tricky, you can mark me down on the missing list. History sometimes repeats—judges 9:8-15, A McIntyre or a Mendelsen is not likely to hunt for such work. But we have all the good men we need, and we sha'l be glad to see the good work go on.

Modesto, Cal., October 28, 1902.

Co-Operation in Other Lands

IRELAND

A letter from the editor of the Irish Bee Journal, appearing recently in the American Bee Keeper, says:

"A great development of the in-

dustry is taking place in Ireland this year. The principle of co-operation has been introduced, and has done great deal to improve the prospects of bee-keepers. Co-operative societies are being formed all over the country and these are federated in the metropolis, where a depot has been organized for the purpose of marketing the honey and of supplying all requisites at co-operative prices."

JAMAICA

Another item from the same issue of the American Bee Keeper says:

"As will be seen by referring to the department of bee-keeping news in this number, Jamaica has scored several points along the line of solving the market problem. The little island in the sea, having an area considerably less than the state of Massachusetts, now has a corporation with an authorized capital of about \$50,000 to look after its honey crops, and their profitable disposition. The new organization, we are pleased to note, has chosen Mr. H. G. Burnet, of Kingston, an old and esteemed friend of the American Bee-Keeper, for its business manager. We trust the company may meet with the success which the enterprise deserves, in floating its stock."

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