

Dadant & Sons favor as small a brood chamber as possible to hold sufficient honey, and give bees room to cluster. This is right; the more compact the better. When honey is scattered all through the combs, and that over a large area, it takes more to winter, and the loss is much greater.

In sending out some crates the other day, a gentleman saw them on the train and ordered a trial lot of ten, sixty-pound tins of honey. This shows that it pays well to have your name and address, with a handsome label on your crates. Every sixty pound tin of honey shipped out, should have a large label on each of the four sides.

We hope our friends who live in favorable localities will not neglect to sow plenty of sweet clover seed from this on till winter. It will grow any place where there is the least bit of earth to support it, and especially in new sections of country, where large yields might be secured. We have yet on hand, a nice quantity of our last importation, and in order to encourage our friends, we will sell it at reduced rates.

We are very sorry to learn that our esteemed friend, Mr. Schultz, of Kilworthy, has been very ill for a long time. No doubt, many of our friends will wonder why his welcome articles have not appeared in the JOURNAL lately. He was unable to attend to his bees, and sold his strongest colonies in the spring. Some that he sold were in such fine condition, that they yielded to the purchaser about 300 fold. We should be pleased to be able to report Mr. Schultz's recovery at an early date.

When bees are to be moved long distances, strips of muslin should be bound over all openings to keep in the bees, but let in the air.—A. B. J.—We prefer wire cloth to muslin, as it is easily seen that there is danger of bees gnawing through the muslin and getting out. We had bees shipped us this year with muslin covering, and the loss was very heavy. Wire cloth is so strong and so cheap, that no person need run the risk. There is a thin kind of linen cheese cloth, with the threads twisted very tightly, which we would much prefer to muslin, if we did not use wire cloth.

We are prepared to exchange any of our bee-keeper's supplies that we manufacture, for a quantity of good extracted honey, and we expect to pay all we can afford for the honey. In order to be able to quote price, we would like a

sample of the honey forwarded us. This will be an easy way to get your supplies for next season, and as we have a large stock, of nearly all the goods we sell, on hand, we would be able to ship promptly. The above does not include comb foundation or honey tins, as the price on them is cut so closely, that we could hardly pay the best market price for honey, in exchange for goods that cost us about what we sell them for. However, friends, we will try to accommodate you in some way, if you will just say what you want, and what you would like us to do.

PUNGENT ODOR OF PROPOLIS.

A young bee-keeper writes to inquire why his bees "smell so;" why such a pungent odor comes from the hives. He imagines that some terrible disease, perhaps foul-brood, has attacked the colonies. The pungent odor comes from propolis, which all bees collect to cement the hive, and make it snug for Winter. The odor of propolis—a resinous substance obtained from pine, balm of gilead, and other trees—is said to possess healing qualities, to minister directly to diseased lungs. The bee-keeper who opens his hives often and takes long draughts of the odor, will be made stronger for his work, and he will find that the odor of propolis is quite as beneficial and a deal safer than the so-called elixir of life.—*Ploughman*.

This item will save us answering several enquiries in reference to this matter.

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