

ALLEN PRINGLE, SELBY, ONT.—I do not think it would have much effect on the price of honey. The consumption would fall off and the comb honey would remain about as it is, or perhaps go down a little. Beyond a certain price honey is not used as a staple, but merely as a luxury. Generally speaking, the extracted is now a staple and the comb a luxury.

J. K. DARLING, ALMONTE, ONT.—I think it would throw a lot of inferior honey on the market, and as a consequence strained honey would not sell so well generally as the extracted does at present. Have seen such honey in this town and the people did not want to see honey until I persuaded them to taste mine and then they wanted some.

J. E. POND, NORTH ATTLEBORO, VT.—I don't think it would affect the price at all. In my locality I can get as good a price for extracted as for comb honey. Create confidence in customers and there is no trouble. Doing away with the extractor, however, would certainly decrease the honey yield, but the yield now at best, is not a half-pound per capita.

EUGENE SECOR, FOREST CITY, IOWA.—I believe it would raise the price slightly. Comb honey cannot be counterfeited so easily. If doing away with the extractor would also do away with every mixture called strained honey, it would no doubt have a tendency to make honey more of a luxury than it now is, but that time will never come. There is no use praying for it. The best we can do is to put on the market only such an article of extracted honey as will win its way to public favor.

WM. McEVoy, WOODBURN, ONT.—If the extractor was done away with, all bee-keepers would rush into comb honey, and about five times as much comb honey would be produced, which would almost break down the comb honey market. The extractor must not go, but some of the bee-keepers will have to go if they don't stop extracting honey before it is ripe, and selling their customers thin, raw, unripened trash. Five times as much extracted honey could be sold if bee-keepers would not extract any honey until it was dead ripe, then the honey would be so very choice that every family would use it in large quantities.

Very little, if any. It would reduce the profits of bee-keepers and also reduce the consumption of honey. The extractor helps to popularise the use of honey and it has come to stay.

SUNDRY SELECTIONS.

FERTILE WORKER EGGS.

J. H. D.—Did you ever see bees that were produced from fertile worker eggs, or do they ever hatch?

Yes, we have seen thousands of bees. They always produce small pussy drones.

A CORRECTION.

SAMUEL CUSHMAN.—Please say that Manum puts 20 one pound sections in each shipping case, instead of two. It was an error of the Agriculturist, or in my article or MSS.

Port Tuckett.

RICHARD WRIGHT—Can bees be taken out of the old box hive and put into a more improved hive?

Bothwell, June 8, 1889.

This is what we call transferring and is readily done. We send back number of JOURNAL in which you will find a full description of the method.

SUCCESSION OF BUCKWHEAT BLOOM.

A. SUBSCRIBER.—Will you please answer through the columns of your valuable journal the following question: At what dates should I sow buck-wheat in order to have a succession of bloom from about the 12th of August to the 15th of October.

Buckwheat blossoms about six weeks after sowing, and if you will sow every two weeks no difficulty will be experienced in having a succession of bloom.

A BEGINNER'S SUCCESS.

J. H. COOK.—I put six swarms in the cellar last fall and all wintered; five strong, one weak. I am a new beginner in the care of bees, but find it very pleasant employment. I set them out of the cellar the 20th of April, two weeks earlier than last year. They are doing well and I think the indications are for a good season. I put the sections on about a week ago, thinking it would give them more room and prevent increase. I use the Langstroth-hive.

Irasburgh, Vt., June 2nd, '89.

A DRY SPRING IN BRUCE.

A. BESCHTEL.—I went into winter with 23 colonies and they all came out this spring in good condition, except two which were queenless and I put them in with others. That leaves me 21 colonies in good condition. I never had bees so strong so early in the season. During the first part of May the bees brought in a good deal of willow honey so that I had to give them room for breeding by extracting. I took 230 lbs. and sold it all in one week. The last two weeks have been very cold and frosty so the bees could do nothing, and now they seem to be preparing for winter as they are killing their drones and pulling them out of the cells and dragging them out of the hives. They have got over the swarming fever for a while. The season has been very dry here; we had no rain since last fall not worth speaking of until this week, it has been raining nearly all the time so that everything is flooded with water.

Port Elgin.

We have eleven No. 3 smokers which are just as good as new but the tins are somewhat tarnished. As long as these last we will let them go at 50c. each or 75c. by mail post paid.

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