honey is away down. As far as poultry is concerned, the bulk of our production is exported both to the West and to the Old Country. We have worked up enormous markets, and they are taking the great bulk of our crops, with the result that the price has gone up. In Ontario the prices for fruit were so low that there was little encouragement in the industry. Now, through shipping associations and the prices we are receiving in the Old Country and the Western markets are so high proportionately that it pays us to ship the best there, and what little of good quality remains in the country we must get a high price for it or we cannot allow it to stay here. I think the same is true of eggs, etc.— prices have gone up enormously, which I think is largely due to the exporting. I do not think there is very much of your honey exported. It seems to me that this is something you could work the Department at Ottawa up to. Probably they do not look upon the bee-keeping industry as of very great value. You must impress upon them that it is one of the leading industries in the Province.

It is almost impossible for any one man or a few men to go to the expense that is necessary to work up these markets. As I said, you have a profitable industry, and I think it is up to you as bee-keepers to improve the markets and the industry through some of the methods I have mentioned. Some of them may not be practicable. These are just suggestions.

Mr. Holtermann—We individually desire the power to make the Government act, as far as the market goes and the exporting of honey, etc. I take the same view as Mr. Hodgetts as to the possibilities of the exporting business. There has been a greater measure of success than failure. But one

person can write again and again to the Department, and they will say: "We will give this our careful attention," and you hear no more about it. But let us get together and stick together and we will get it.

Mr. Root—I want to say I think you members of this Association should be congratulated on the man you have got back of you here. I do not know what Uncle Sam would do, but I certainly would like to see that man come across the line. I could endorse a great many of his suggestions, particularly in reference to bee-keepers and that you want to be loyal to your own Journal. Mr. Laing asked why fruit has gone up and honey down in price. You cannot duplicate the fruit, but you can duplicate the honey by the stuff you showed here last night. What I want to say is this, in reference to the pure food law of the United States. I sometimes have to wake up and wonder if that law has been passed. I think now we are going to see better times in the advance of prices. It seems to me that one reason honey has gone down is that you cannot duplicate the chickens nor the eggs, but they go on selling something that purports to be honey, and many ignorant people buy it and suppose it to be honey. This honey has been holding down our price. If you can get this law, I think you are going to drive glucose into a hole.

Mr. Holtermann—Gentlemen, we are going to expect a great deal from Mr. Hodgetts in conducting the work which he has outlined. We have got to have Mr. Hodgetts, and we are going to do it. Individual people can get a great many things. The papers are open to receive a great many items But when everything rests on one or two men they can do little. There is not a man here who could not supply items to bring the honey industry before the