

Haldimand Bee-Keepers' Association.

THE Haldimand Bee-Keepers' Association met at Nelles' Corners on Tuesday, May 28th, pursuant to adjournment.

Present—Jas. Armstrong, President in the chair; and Messrs. W. Kindree, O. Fathers, F. Mehlenbacher, Israel Overholt, E. Gee, W. B. Best, John Forrest, David Forest, R. Coverdale, F. Rose, D. Anguish, J. Winger and the Secretary.

The meeting of the previous meeting read and confirmed.

The President read a number of cards relative to securing a lecturer for the meeting, and the reasons why one was not secured.

BEST PACKAGE OR CASE FOR COMB HONEY.

The President said the first thing was to get the honey in pound sections and well finished in the hive; they should then put the sections in cases to hold a dozen, glassed on both sides, so that the sections can be seen without opening the cases. He also said it was important that the sections should be all of good quality, both front and back.

THE BEST PACKAGE FOR EXTRACTED HONEY.

The President said for shipping in large quantities the 60 pound tin was the best he had used; and for small packages the 10 pound pail was preferable. The pail was useful after the honey was taken out; and for retailing in stores he preferred the pint glass jars and jelly glasses with screw tops.

Mr. Kindree agreed with the President as to the packages for shipping honey, but for show purposes he preferred glass.

Several other members expressed themselves in similar terms.

REPORT OF LOSSES.

	Fall.	Spring.
Jas. Armstrong,	80	79
W. Kindree,	42	30
F. Rose,	70	66
O. Fathers,	14	11
F. Mehlenbacher,	18	18
W. B. Best,	19	19
Israel Overholt,	7	7
R. Coverdale,	24	20
E. Gee,	8	6
David Forrest,	4	4
J. Winger,	9	9
E. Kindree,	20	3
E. C. Campbell,	7	5
Philip High,	8	8
M. Schisler,	6	4
I. G. Wismer,	8	4
Jas. Grogan,	9	4
D. Anguish,	102	100
	455	397

It was decided to make the same offer as last year with reference to prizes to be offered for

honey and apiarian supplies at the Cayuga, Jarvis and Rainham shows, and delegates appointed to attend to the matter.

Moved by Mr. Rose, seconded by Mr. Gee, that the next meeting be held at Fisherville, on the last Saturday in August.

E. C. CAMPBELL, Secretary.

QUERIES AND REPLIES.

UNDER THIS HEAD will appear Questions which have been asked, and replied to, by prominent and practical bee-keepers—also by the Editor. Only questions of importance should be asked in this Department, and such questions are requested from everyone. As these questions have to be put into type, sent out for answers, and the replies all awaited for, it will take some time in each case to have the answers appear.

MOVING COLONIES.

QUERY No. 235.—When you wish to move a colony from one position in your apiary to another, how do you do it so that the inmates will find their home again without trouble.

WM. McEVROY, WOODBURN, ONT.—I move them at night.

JACOB ALPAUGH, ST. THOMAS, ONT.—Move it a little at a time, or all the way at once, and lean a board up in front of the hive.

G. M. DOOLITTLE, BORODINO, N. Y.—Move them during a cold, rainy spell and lean a wide board up in front of the entrance.

J. K. DARLING, ALMONTE, ONT.—Have not had to move any except at swarming time and then I did not want the inmates to find their old home.

S. CORNEIL, LINDSAY, ONT.—Either move the hive a foot or two every morning after a fine day, or shake off all the bees into a box and hive on the new stand like a swarm.

R. McKNIGHT, OWEN SOUND, ONT.—Do it when the bees are at home. Some say it is also necessary to put up a board in front of the hive for the bees to "crack their crown" against on coming out of the hive—you need not practice such cruelty.

EUGENE SECOR, FOREST CITY, IOWA.—Move at night; change the position of the hive; close the entrance if the weather is not too warm; open it the next day when they get uneasy. Set a board or some other prominent object by the entrance to attract their attention.

J. E. POND, NORTH ATTLEBORO, VT.—It will depend upon the time they are moved, but usually I move them about two feet a day till they are placed where desired. When set out in spring it makes little difference how they are placed, as to location of previous year.

H. D. CUTTING, CLINTON, MICH.—Do it at night when nearly all bees are in the hive. Place a board or some other obstruction in front.