

Mr. Clark, of Cainsville, reports what we consider a very unique experience. Up to Aug 20th, with abundance of buckwheat all around, his bees were working on alfalfa clover and ignored the buckwheat entirely. Everything that was coming in was light honey, unmixed with anything dark. We were very much surprised at this. Has anyone else had a like experience?

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First correspondent: Dear Sir—Will you kindly let me know by return mail the amount of your crop and average per colony? Also, what was the nature of the crop in your district? Mine is the same as last year. Yours, etc.

Second Correspondent: Dear Sir—Replying to yours of recent date, would say that my crop is the same as yours—same as last year. Yours, etc.

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We believe Mr. Chalmers has worked up a good wintering case. We will be pleased to give space to a description of it, and any illustrations that will make it clear. The individual case setting around the hive during the summer is a great protection from both sun and wind-storm. At first thought one would suppose that they would be in the way, but a visit to Mr. McEvoy's yard would soon dispel the illusion.

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Now is the time to plan for feeding up for winter. Do not leave it till too late. Many a hive will be lost next spring that may be saved if properly fed in August or the fore part of September. Remember that sugar feed is cheaper than honey and oftentimes better.

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After a season of hard work, divided between his own apiaries and that of inspection work, Mr. J. L. Byer, and family, is taking a holiday in New Ontario. He reports a good crop. We regret that his usual budget of notes do not appear this month.

Great quantities of honey have been placed upon the market during August. In fact, we are well within the mark when we say that four-fifths of the light honey crop has been sold. Prices have ranged from 9c to 12 1-2c—10 cents being the popular price. If some producers could have held for a time, we think they could have got higher prices in some cases. It is not a difficult matter now to get 10c per pound for honey wholesale.

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The July issue of the Australasian Bee-Keeper is to hand, and contains a very lengthy report of the Victorian Apiarists' Association, which took place in Melbourne on Tuesday, June 22. Mr. F. R. Beuhne, president, occupied the chair, with forty delegates present. The addresses were very practical and interesting. Some of the problems of Australasian bee-keeping are unknown to us in Canada. They are putting up a strong agitation for government assistance and we trust they may be successful. From a close reading of the report it is easily discerned that Mr. Beuhne is a tower of strength to his fellow bee-keepers. He seems to be a perfect repository of bee lore.

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Strengthen weak colonies now with frames of brood from strong ones, if you desire to take them through the winter and avoid doubling up.

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Mr. J. H. Stoneman, of Kelwood, Man., writes us asking if we can let him have a barrel of honey. Sorry, but we are all sold out. We really do not know where he could get it, either. But we herewith give all our Ontario friends an equal chance to get after this business. If five hundred or more should write, we trust he will let us know his opinion on the advantages of advertising. Those writing him will please quote price.

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