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Annual Meeting

Twenty-First Annual Meeting Bee-Keepers' Asso., Ontario.

HELD AT
NIAGARA FALLS,
DEC. 4, 5, 6, 1900.

The twenty-first annual meeting of the Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association was held in the Town Hall, at the town of Niagara Falls, Ont., on the 4th, 5th and 6th, 1900.

The President, Mr. C. W. Post, took the chair and called the meeting to order at 2.30 o'clock p. m., after an address of welcome had been given by Mayor Slater, Mr. Wm. Couse moved, seconded by Mr. J. Newton, that a vote of thanks be tendered to his Worship for his kindly words of greeting which was carried amid applause, to which Mayor Slater replied in a few chosen words.

The Secretary, Mr. Wm. Couse, read the minutes of the last annual meeting which, on motion of Mr. Darling seconded by Mr. Brown, was confirmed as read.

The President, Mr. C. W. Post, delivered the Annual Address as follows:

With pleasure we meet again at this annual convention to discuss the subjects of most vital importance to our fascinating industry, and why we not all be endowed with a

feeling of admiration, being located during our sessions in one of the most charming localities on the face of the earth. On the one side by the mighty cataract of Niagara, with its "Thundering Waters," surrounded by its mystic charms representing powers which, if controlled, is claimed would run the factories of the world, light every city in the two hemispheres and turn the wheels of commerce ashore and afloat. All this we have on the one hand while on the other we are meeting and associating with those who are near to us in the great battle of life. With all this in our favor I can see no reason why there should not be peace and harmony in our ranks during our deliberations at this our annual convention.

The past season has been very unprofitable for the production of honey. While a few localities produced an average yield, whole counties were a total failure. But, while this is the case, what are the results. Honey has again advanced to its old time price and with a cleared market and paying prices we have good reason to be stimulated and encouraged for some time to come.

I will here mention that your Executive Committee in 1899 saw fit to assist in making an exhibit of honey at the Paris Exposition; expenses of said exhibit to be borne by the department of Agriculture at Ottawa: therefore it was arranged as a Dom-

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