

**A York County Bee-Keeper.**

The last meeting of the York County Bee-Keepers' Association met at the residence of Mr. John H. Boyer. Mr. Boyer's father kept bees before him, and one of his sons take a very keen interest in bee-keeping. We thus have three generations of bee-keepers and all of them known in their vicinity as successful and leading bee-keepers. The family have kept bees for over forty years and at their present home. They began with the straw hive, then the Thomas, and now use what is known throughout that district as the Boyer Hive, it has twelve frames  $13\frac{1}{2} \times 18\frac{1}{2}$  inches. They produce extracted honey. They were amongst the first to have Italian bees. As high as 201 colonies have been kept and in one apiary. For a season their crop has been over 10,000 lbs. of extracted honey. Five years ago when the founder of the homestead died many of the bees were sold but there are still over 50 colonies kept. Mr. Boyer says bees have done well this fall, he believes they gathered a good deal of honey from rape.

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**Personal.**

Hon. A. S. Hardy, Premier of Ontario, Canada, in his boyhood days cultivated a taste for honey. The Canadian Bee Journal reports that at the recent Toronto Exposition Mr. Hardy spent some time at the tent where bees were exhibited, and also visited the honey exhibit. No wonder our Canadian bee-keeping friends are proud of their Premier. Most men in high official positions have but little time to notice things outside of their special office, but the majority of them would be interested in such sweet things as honey and bees if they had half a chance.—American Bee Journal.

[Right you are Editor York. want of union, organization and action on the part of the individual and large majority of bee-keepers accounts for what interest there is lacking in the general public.—Ed.]

M. C. Beaupre, Forestville, Ont., stated recently: Lorenzo Helmer, Forestville, had from 60 acres over 900 bushels of buckwheat seed. Since bees have been kept in this vicinity the yield per acre from buckwheat has been very much greater.

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