

Some of them seemed to want it badly, and I told them of Mrs. L. Harrison and James Heddon, showed them Mr. Heddon's ads.; and they talked of sending to him, but never did, I believe. Now, "why," asks Mr. Hutchinson "did not you send for some of other people's honey and peddle it out at a high price." Because it would not have been *my* honey; and before I could have sold Mrs. Harrison's or Mr. Heddon's honey for a *big* price, I should have been obliged to *build up a market* for the Heddon or Harrison honey. To build up a market for anything takes time; it has taken me years to make Mrs. Chaddock's honey taste better and look better than some other honey.

MAHALA B. CHADDOCK.

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You are quite right in fixing a price and sticking to it, and from the amount of energy you are exhibiting we are satisfied that you will always be able to realize handsomely. If you were personally acquainted with Mr. Hutchinson you would say that he was the last man to say an unkind word; such a jolly man as he could scarcely be guilty of intentional unkindness towards anyone. But sometimes it is necessary to put a point middling strong in order that it may receive attention. Of course it would not have been your honey but you could have procured first-class honey and simply sold it as such telling them that as you had not enough of your own stock to supply your customers you had sent for some of a first-class article which would suit them as well. This would be assisting your neighbor and not allowing your patrons to become accustomed to eating something else in lieu of honey. There is no doubt that a lady would take better care of her honey and present it in a nicer shape than gentlemen usually do and that may account in some measure for the superiority of yours.

For the Canadian Bee Journal.

REPLY TO MR. A. PRINGLE.

ON CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, P. 126.

AS one of the god-fathers of the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, Mr. Allen Pringle being the other, I claim the right of a short reply to an article from his versatile pen which I have no doubt deeply pained many who read it.

The spirit of the principles of morality therein referred to which in his own words is to "Do good to each other and to do right to each other," signally fails by his sarcastic comparison of the

different behavior on meeting at a street corner of a party of Christians and bee-keepers respectively. Now to the minds of multitudes, the above sentiment has been much better stated by the Saviour of the world in a lecture over 1800 years old. Pardon me if I quote it, "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." That "whatsoever" is more powerful than any human words ever preached.

I venture to affirm, claiming to be both a somewhat extensive bee-keeper and humble follower of the Lord Jesus Christ, that Presbyterian as I am, if I met at the corner of a street with Methodist, Baptist, Anglican and Roman Catholic bee-keepers, we would not differ as much on the efficacy of the atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ for the sins of men, which is the all important question, as we would be quite as likely to do on any question which might come up in the bee realm.

Readers need not expect perfection in any bee journal or in any of its contributors, but they do have a right to censure articles written like the present one, holding up to ridicule the religious beliefs of other "brethren" and the substitution of nihilism. It has never been my privilege to be present at either a class meeting or love feast but I would venture to affirm, with little fear of contradiction, that the "lingo"! whatever that may mean, there used, would be much more to edification morally and spiritually than that dealt out during the so called lectures of Bob Ingersoll or men of his stamp who are only desirous of tearing down and building up nothing in its stead.

J. C. THOM, M. D.

Streetsville, May 13.

We are sorry that our friend Thom should have thought that the article to which he refers was written for the purpose of stirring up any discussion with regard to religious subjects; we feel satisfied that such was not the intention, and the matter was not directly written to the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, but was simply an extract from a letter written to another journal, and was more an answer to the *Rural Canadian's* remarks than anything else. Friend P. is too much in accord with our platform as laid down in the line on the cover of the JOURNAL "Published exclusively in the interests of the Honey Producer" to wish to enter on a discussion on any subject foreign to this platform.

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BEE-KEEPING IN GENERAL.

THE keeping of bees has now become more of a pleasure than profit; it is well perhaps to take note of passing events. Bees in good hives on their summer stands seem to