

the honey; not but what I have sold most of what I have raised yet at a pretty fair price, but I think if I had many tons it would be hard to get rid of it. I like the C. B. J. very much. No bee-keeper should be without it.

Campbellford, Oct. 21st, 1885.

The trouble in marketing honey which you speak of Friend B., is as yet only imaginary; there has not been as yet one single year in the history of honey production in Canada where the supply was *sufficient* for the demand, not to say anything of surplus. When we produce more than enough to supply the demand for home consumption we will then have to see about exporting to some other less fortunate market; the Colonial and Indian Exhibition at London, next year will open up to us the English markets. We hope to publish the result of the Listowel Bee-keepers' shipment as soon as they have had returns. In the meantime if every honey producer will strive to establish a local market for his honey, instead of rushing off with it to the cities, the cry of "over-production" will die out and be heard no more for years.

R. J. YOUNG.—I have built a brick cellar six feet by twenty-two feet. I have two tiles two and a half inches each through the wall; the tiles are three feet under ground. What I want to know is: if I run one pipe from one tile up the side of the house say eight feet above the ground will that give my bees enough air or not. I have eleven swarms to put in cellar and the same number in clump.

Tilsonburg, Ont. Oct. 29, 1885.

We think there would be sufficient ventilation for eleven swarms, but we would prefer to have the pipe run from bottom of cellar out, you had better keep your bees up about three feet from cellar bottom. You might have made a drain and air pipe, both at the same time from bottom of cellar, but so long as you do not have many colonies in it, it will not matter much.

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In this issue of the JOURNAL we reproduce what is called "Bulletin No. 8," of the Agricultural College, Michigan, written by Prof. A. J. Cook, the well-known and highly esteemed author of "The Bee-keeper's Guide." The bulletin contains a lot of interesting and instructive matter, and will we are sure find many attentive readers.

THE ORGAN OF O. B. K. A.

Friend Pettitt writes us under date October 24th, "I have to say that my committee on organ etc., for O. B. K. A. have reported in favor of *Rural Canadian*." We have however received some further articles on the subject which will be found in this issue.

TESTING BEESWAX.

When beeswax is chewed it should have no disagreeable taste and must not stick to the teeth. In the adulterated wax, the nature of the foreign material can generally be detected by the taste; the addition of fat can generally be readily detected. If it sticks to the teeth, the presence of resin may be assumed. A simple method of detecting the presence of fat in wax consists in melting it, and placing a drop on a piece of woolen cloth. After it is perfectly cold and solidified, pour on a few drops of 90 per cent of alcohol and rub the cloth between the hands. The wax will be converted into dust, and will easily separate from the cloth if it contains no fat, and will leave no stain; when it contains fat it will leave grease-spots.—*British Bee Journal*.

### KIND WORDS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

JOHN HILLIER.—I am well satisfied with the JOURNAL, and am trying to guide myself by it. Peterboro, Ont., Oct. 23rd, 1885.

E. T. ABBOTT.—I am much pleased with the JOURNAL.

ST. JOSEPHS, Mo., Oct. 20th, 1885.

C. H. LAKE, in the *Baltimore (Md.) List*, says: D. A. Jones & Co., Beeton, Canada, publish a superb weekly.