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EDITORIAL.

WHILE we do not purpose exhibiting at Buffalo, it is our present intention to be present both there and at Detroit when we hope to meet many of our American friends.

Our friend Prof. Cook is to be at Toronto next week in attendance at the Scientific Association meeting. We hope, if he can spare the time, to see him at Beeton.

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It is suggested that we bee-keepers set apart a special day or days for our visit at the Toronto fair so that we may have as sociable and as profitable a time as possible. Either Tuesday or Wednesday of the second week is probably the most suitable day and will find the greatest number of bee-keepers present. It will therefore be a good idea for the affairs of the visitors to be so arranged that they can be at Toronto on these days when an informal convention can be held in the honey house and a good deal of information distributed.

OUR OWN APIARY.

DURING the past week bees have done little or nothing in our home apiary scarcely gathering enough to supply home consumption. At our outside apiary our foreman reports

better results, considerable honey having been gathered off swamp flowers and we will likely be able to extract considerable yet.

We have nothing worthy of note to mention as the weather has been cold and nothing has been doing.

We are testing the experiment of which we wrote in last issue of the JOURNAL again, closing off the queen on two frames, and these outside apiaries have resulted as above.

We notice in the question box in Gleanings for Aug. 1st, in reply to the question "Do you practise clipping queen's wings," Editor. Root says.—

With dove-tailed hives we have lately been putting an ordinary queen excluding honey board between the bottom board and the brood chamber. Unlike the ordinary drone excluders or queen traps attached to the entrance itself, it causes no obstruction to the bees passing in and out. While it prevents the bees from absconding with the queen, it also keeps the queen in the hive, with no danger of her being lost. Of course if the bees should make two or three attempts to swarm in the absence of the apiarist, and fail, they might kill the queen. But this they would not do with a clipped queen even without the perforated zinc. Those who have a bottom board with a bee space formed by a rim around the outside edges except at the entrance, can use their queen excluding honey boards in the way described. Perforated metal in front of the entrance will answer the