

Additional section cases are given from time to time as required, care being taken of course that too much room is not given, and as a result, a large quantity of unfilled sections when removed at the close of the whole honey harvest. After assorting out all those not sufficiently filled for market, the honey may be either extracted, or the sections returned to the hives in order that the bees may remove the honey below, when they can be stored away for next season's use.

The brood chamber is again enlarged to its full capacity for securing the benefit of a full flow should there be one, or for inserting well filled combs from the top stories of other colonies.

I have only to add, should anyone think there is too much labor involved in following out this system, and knows of a better plan, (there are other good ones) yet has not the time or inclination to attend to either, let me advise them to stick to raising extracted honey exclusively, as this can be done with less time and attention, and also the controlling of the swarming fever, brought more under subjection. Apiculture unfortunately, like many other pursuits is not altogether devoid of its hardships, and to him that would succeed, a determination to overcome all obstacles, is imperative, failure is sure to follow sooner or later, and if any here present, think of entering it from a dollars and cents point of view only, with little or no love for the pleasure there is in it, they had better think a second time before investing much capital therein. Nothing is further from me than that I should, by any remark of mine discourage those contemplating a trial, as I entertain no motive whatever, much less one of selfishness, other than advising the amateur to go slowly, as experience can sometimes be purchased too dearly as many already know to their sorrow. Again, nothing succeeds like success, and there is no reason why you should not succeed as others have already done.

F. A. GEMMELL.

Mr. Gemmell's paper brought out a healthy discussion on the subject of raising comb honey, and the use of perforated metal.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the current year was then proceeded with, W. Peck and R. Lowey being appointed scrutineers. The President and Vice-President were elected by acclamation, as were many of the directors.

President, Allen Pringle, Selby.

Vice-Pres., F. A. Gemmell, Stratford.

#### DIRECTORS.

Dist. No. 1—W. J. Brown, Chard.

2—J. K. Darling, Almonte, re-elected.

3—M. B. Holmes, Athens.

4—C. W. Post, Murray.

5—S. Cornell, Lindsay.

6—W. Couse, Streetsville.

7—A. Pickett, Nassagewawa.

8—F. A. Rose, Balmoral.

9—R. McKnight, Owen Sound.

10—M. Emigh, Holbrook.

11—J. B. Aches, Amiens.

12—Peter Bussey, Chatham.

13—F. H. Macpherson, Beeton.

Auditors: D. Anguish, Brantford, and R. F. Holterman, Romney.

The meeting adjourned for dinner.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION—SECOND DAY.

President Pringle called the meeting to order at two o'clock, and asked for the paper by F. H. Macpherson entitled: A Model Premium List.

As no subject was suggested for me I have taken the liberty of choosing one which is somewhat out of the ordinary line, but yet one which will open up a discussion that will I trust, be beneficial and instructive.

Before entering upon the subject I think the first question which must be decided is: "In whose shoes should the author of such a paper as this stand?" Should he represent the fair management who offer the premiums; or should he look at the matter from the standpoint of the competitor for the prizes. I believe I voice the general opinion when I say, the former. Such, at any rate, is decidedly my opinion. Assuming that I am correct in my conclusion, let me ask what is the ultimate object which prompts the holding of exhibitions. My idea of the prime intention of all exhibitions is that they shall be educational mediums. Their object is to bring into honorable competition the various products and manufactures of the country, so that the general public may have the opportunity of comparing exhibits, and glean information and instruction from their examination. It is therefore obvious that all premiums offered, should be on such products or manufactures as will interest the public whom they desire to reach, and it is only by interesting the public that they can be drawn out. It is therefore the plain duty of fair directorates to offer prizes on such articles as will bring forward exhibitors, who will show productions that will bring out the people, as by this the end