

and honey as has been described in former numbers of the JOURNAL. You can put it in brood frames, place it down in centre of the cluster or in cakes over the top of the frames; if you prefer the latter way, be careful to see that the top of the hive is so packed that heat will not escape.

A \$25 QUEEN.

R. WARDROP.—About the last of May I sent to D. A. Jones for three virgin Carniolan queens and I received a card informing me they had none on hand. I waited for a month and I wrote them again and with return of mail I received three beautiful virgin queens. They got fertilized in a few days and I clipped their wings and they started to lay in good shape. So I waited the results. One of the queens produced light workers and light drones. With the other two, some of the workers were light and some dark, and so were the drones. So if drones are true to their mothers what kind of queens did I get? As for the queen that produces the light workers, I offer any man the colony home with him if he can over-haul them without veil and gloves. I value the queen at \$25. It gathered over 60 pounds of honey after the other colonies ceased to hold their own, but they remind one of the swarm that chased Lot from his happy home.

North Bruce, Ont.

The virgin queens sent you were probably Italians crossed with Carniolans; what they were mated with you best know. If you had no Holyland blood in your yard, there may have possibly been a touch of Holyland in the brighter bees referred to, this would make them vigorous defenders of their stores. We are indeed glad to know that their honey-gathering qualities have been proven so well.

BEE LORE

FOREIGN AND OTHERWISE, BUT ALL INTERESTING

On the 28th August at an eviction of one of the tenant on Lord Clanricade's estate the militia were called in and during the siege a number of the police and emergency men were injured by scalding water which was thrown at them, and a swarm of bees let loose added to the difficulties to be contended with. During the operations a sensation was caused by the estate bailiff of Lord Clanricade publicly resigning

his office, and handing over his gun to the priest, who held it up amid much enthusiasm from the crowd.—*Illustrated London News*.

Mr. Dougald, Keddie, Vernon, Ont., writes under date Oct. 8th: "On the 6th inst. had a swarm of bees come off about 3 p.m., they settled all right and being busy could not hive them before 9 p.m., which I did then by moon light; the cool air kept them huddled up in so solid a bunch that not one bee shook off while cutting down branch on which they hung."

CONVENTION NOTICES.

MICHIGAN STATE BEE-KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION.—The next annual convention of this association will be held in Ypsilanti, Mich., Dec. 1st and 2nd, 1886. H. D. CUTTING, Sec., Clinton, Mich.

ONTARIO BEE-KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION will meet in annual convention in Toronto (probably at the city Hall) on Tuesday and Wednesday, 7th and 8th, 1886, when the commissioners of the association will make a report of their trip to England, and other business of importance will be transacted. A full attendance is requested. W. CORSE, Sec.-Treas., Meadowvale, Oct. 25th, 1886.

GREAT UNITED CONVENTION.—The New York State, Eastern New York also the New Jersey and Eastern Bee-Keepers Association will hold their great united Convention in Albany, N. Y., January 18th., 19th. and 20th. This Convention will be one of the largest, if not the largest, ever held anywhere in this country, and it behooves every bee-keeper to attend—a grand exhibit of apiarian fixtures is promised—An unusually brilliant programme will be prepared and announced later. Joint Secretaries.—GEO. H. KNICKERBOCKER, JOHN ASPINWALL, F. E. JOHNSON.

MICHIGAN STATE BEE-KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION.—The 20th annual meeting of this association will be held at Ypsilanti, Mich., Dec. 1st and 2nd, 1886. First session Dec. 1st, at 10 a.m. Meeting will be held in Grange Hall. Reduced rates have been secured at the Hawkins House. A programme is being prepared, and from the excellent papers already promised, we expect a very interesting meeting. Only two essays will be read at each session; the balance of the time will be devoted to discussions. It is the desire of the Committee to make this meeting Practical and Interesting. Several noted bee-keepers from other states and Canada have promised to meet with us. If you have anything of interest to exhibit please bring or send it. Plenty of room for exhibiting. The question box will be one of the important features. Come prepared to ask and