

Cowan in his explanation of the various parts as they were exhibited. Mr. McKnight, of Owen Sound, accompanied them here and this morning the party left for the residence of the former at Owen Sound. Next week they leave Owen Sound for Sault Ste. Marie, from whence they will go to Professor Cook's at Lansing, they will also visit other Michigan bee-keepers. Last week we intimated that if possible we should have Mr. Cowan return to Canada during the time of the Dominion and Industrial Exhibition and we have great pleasure in now saying that we have prevailed upon him to so time his visit to American apiarists that he will be at Toronto during the 2nd week of the Exhibition. He will be pleased at that time to give all the information he can and to exhibit views through his microscope of the anatomy of the honey bee to those who may be present. After visiting the Michigan bee-keepers, he will go, via Chicago, to Mr. Charles Dadant's and returning he will call at Medina. He will return to Toronto via Niagara Falls, visiting as many bee-keepers as possible on the way. We should be glad to see a large turn out of Canadian bee-keepers at Toronto. They will, through their presence, show their respect for Mr. Cowan and in listening to what he may have to say they will feel fully repaid. Let us again say that the bee-keepers of Canada owe Mr. Cowan a debt which it will be difficult for them to pay, for the kindness which, through himself and through his efforts, was shown to the Ontario Commissioners in connection with the Canadian exhibit at the Colonial. Those who contributed honey to the Colonial more especially should make it a point to be present at that time. We should like, if it be possible, to make his visit in Canada as pleasant and agreeable as he did the trip of the commissioners to England. British bee-keepers may congratulate themselves upon having their *Bee Journal* edited by such a thoroughly practical and intelligent bee-keeper. Although quiet and unassuming, Mr. Cowan is probably one of the best posted bee-keepers in Europe. It is pleasing to know that the two events which we desire are to be consummated in the joint visit of Mr. Cowan and of Mr. Young at the Toronto Exhibition.

Mr. Cornell's Reply to Mr. Holterman

IN the C. H. P. Mr. Holterman made specific charges against the delegates to the Colonial Exhibition, and stated that he had proofs to back them up. The charges were denied, and the proofs called for. His reply contains not a particle of evidence to sustain them, but he changes the accusation, saying in effect that if the delegates did not do what they were charged with, they did other things quite as bad or worse.

If an honorable man should, through error, misrepresent another, he would on having his attention called to it, retract and express his regrets. Not so however with Mr. Holterman; he is evidently not that sort of a person. His charges were pure inventions. His latter accusations are as untruthful as the former. Canadian bee-keepers will now take Mr. Holterman's measure, and estimate him accordingly.

When we were about to stage our honey, Mr. Pettit stated that although Mr. Holterman had contributed nothing to the exhibit he requested it as a favor that an exhibit should be made in his name, composed of honey taken from the exhibits of the contributors, and Mr. Pettit appeared to favor him in this particular. The "other delegates," of course declined to permit him to get the credit of being an exhibitor at the expense of others. Query—has this fact any connection with the animus he has shown towards the majority of the commissioners?

Through reluctance to wound the feelings of Mr. Pettit, the true inwardness of our differences with him in regard to wholesaling the honey while the show lasted, has not been given to the public, but justice to all seems now to require that the facts should be known. From the start Mr. Pettit's principal aim seemed to be to sell his own honey to some dealer without regard to the interests of the other contributors and thus secure a market for himself in future. To accomplish this he assumed that while he was in charge he had the right to sell his own goods at whatever price he chose, regardless of the scale of prices agreed upon. Before the show was opened we made out a price list for the different packages on exhibition. Sections were put down at 1s. each or 12s. per dozen. Extracted honey in quantities of 56lbs. each, or any greater quantity, was to be 6d. per lb. and when sold in this way we called it "whole sale," no matter who the purchasers were. For reasons best known to himself Mr. Pettit removed his own 56lb. cans from the floor, where they were on exhibition, without consulting his colleagues, and hid them away behind the shelving. Whenever he met with a dealer he took