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THE EDITOR'S CORNER.

The white honey harvest is over for this year, and in the majority of districts there is nothing more to follow, but to put the colonies in condition for winter. There are lots of lean hives throughout the country, and the bee-keeper, above all men, is called upon to exert a large amount of "faith and good works," and especially the latter, if he is going to bring his bees successfully through to the fields of another spring.

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The Ontario Bee-keepers' Association has issued the following circular to its members:

Toronto, Aug. 10, 1907.

The Honey Crop Committee of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association met in the Secretary's office, at Toronto, on Friday, August 9th. Over one hundred reports from different parts of the province and a number from Quebec were laid before them. Reports would indicate that a very great loss in bees has been sustained since last season, and that probably over 50 per cent perished during the winter and spring. The honey-flow in a few localities is reported good or fair, others light, and in many nothing has been harvested; probably an average of less than one-third crop in all.

In view of these conditions and the shortage of the fruit crop in all varieties, and the higher prices prevailing,

it is the opinion of the Committee that an advance over last season's rates should be reasonably expected, and suggest the following:

No. 1 Light Extracted, 11½c to 12½c per pound, wholesale; retail, 14c to 15c.

No. 1 Comb, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per dozen, wholesale.

No. 2 Comb, \$1.75 to \$2.25 per dozen, wholesale.

On the darker grades not yet harvested a reasonable advance over last season's prices should be obtained.

H. G. Sibbald, Claude,
Wm. Couse, Streetsville,
W. J. Craig, Brantford.

Committee.

P. W. Hodgetts, Secretary.

As one of the Committee, might say that the Committee considered very thoroughly the whole situation, and we believe that the prices suggested are about as near right as possible. Almost another hundred reports have come to hand since that meeting, and all very similar to those upon which the Committee based their conclusion.

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Re honey crop, would say that I have been as far east as Trenton, and north as far as Peterboro. In the territory as well as in our immediate district 25 lbs per colony would be a liberal estimate. What little honey we have, while fair in flavor, is off in color. J. L. Byer, Mount Joy, Ont.

I find honey flow fairly good in most sections here, but the trouble is the lack of bees to gather it.—Jacob Alpaugh, Dobbington, Ont.

Honey Ginger-Snaps.—1 pint honey, ¼ lb butter, 2 teaspoonfuls ginger. Boil together a few minutes, and when nearly cold put in flour until it is stiff. Roll out thin, and bake quickly.

MR. ROBER

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MR. ROBER

"I was born near England, in the year 1840, who was a weaver to this country when I was of age and first settled near Nelson, Halton County. I was a member my father's family in England in the 18th century. I bought a few hives. I bought a few hives from a Mr. near Lawville, about 1860, and I brought my friend and I brought