

tant subject. There should be a more uniform system of grading honey for market.

(d) A National Honey Exchange—this subject has been discussed for years by a number of our brightest minds. Surely something of the kind must come to stop the present haphazard way of disposing of the crop. But bee-keepers must have more confidence in each other. They must also be willing to pay for expert management; and they can afford to do this.

Discussion.—Dr. Miller, H. F. Moore, Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Clark and others spoke at some length on the urgent need of a foul brood law in this state. It is the man who has no foul brood, said Dr. Miller, who most needs protection, just as when our buildings have not yet burned we need insurance. One diseased colony, said Mr. Clark, being weak, may infect a whole apiary by its germ laden honey being carried by robber bees.

Mr. Wilcox.—Let the president appoint a committee to secure such law.

Secretary Moore.—We must cooperate with the State and National associations and above all we must have money.

President Hutchinson of N. B. K. said he thought it perfectly legitimate that the National help State associations in such matters.

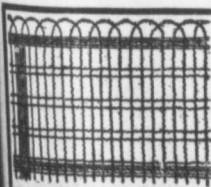
Mr. N. E. France, State Inspector of Apiaries for Wisconsin pointed out that the great mass of bee-keepers must be aroused to an active in-

terest before much can be done.

Editor Hutchinson of the Bee-Keepers' Review, spoke on Organization.—The age of individual effort is passing. We have reached an age of organization. In union is strength. It is less important to dwell on the necessity of organization than to consider how best to bring it about. There are two ways evident. To federate small organizations under one management or to form branches of the National throughout the country. The idea is not to form a "trust" in the bad sense of the word. An organization is a joining together for the benefit of its members and not necessarily to the detriment of others.

Dr. Miller.—We have not yet learned that we NEED an exchange, let that fact be emphasised.

Secretary Moore.—We must get the 700,000 bee-keepers in the United States to see that they need an exchange. There is no difficulty about selling comb honey, the trouble is with extracted honey. The latter is not well distributed, as witness the fact that the price varies all the way from one cent to twelve cents per pound. Those who are interested say incorporate with, say, \$50,000 and headquarters at Chicago. It is a question of dollars and cents. You would need a retail store with modern appliances. Call it the "Honey Company of the National Bee-Keepers' Association," and let the managers buy and sell honey. Honey will always crowd out glucose, when



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