

### The Philadelphia Convention Programme.

Dr. A. B. Mason, Sta. B, Toledo, Ohio, the secretary of the United States Bee-Keepers' Association, has sent us the complete programme for the national convention to be held in Philadelphia Sept. 5, 6, and 7 next. A copy of the same follows:

Necessity of Pure Food Legislation from a Bee Keepers' Point of View—Rev. E. T. Abbott.

Out-Apiaries and their Management for Comb Honey—W. L. Coggsall.

Possibilities and Difficulties of Bee-Keeping in Cuba and Porto Rico, and the Effect of Our New Relations with those Islands on our Honey Market—Fred L. Craycraft and W. W. Somerford.

Best Method of Comb Honey Production, with Latest Hive Improvements—F. Danzenbaker.

Possibilities of Bee-Keeping—Address by G. M. Doolittle.

Marketing Honey—Can and Ought We to Control Prices?—P. H. Elwood.

Bee-Keeping and the Source of the Honey Supply in and Around Philadelphia—W. E. Fowler.

Foul Brood: Its Detection and Eradication—N. E. France.

Our Pursuits Viewed by an Amateur—F. Hahman.

Why Bee-Keepers' Exchanges Fail—C. A. Hatch.

Bees or Honey—Which in Spring Management?—R. F. Holtermann.

Bee-Keeping as a Profession—W. Z. Hutchinson.

How to Successfully Conduct a Bee-Keepers' Exchange—J. Webster Johnston.

The Fall Honey Crop of Philadelphia—John L. Kugler.

Organization Among Bee-Keepers': If Desirable, Why, and How Best Accomplished?—Thomas G. Newman.

Best Method of Extracted Honey Production—Frank Rauchfuss.

Address by A. I. Root.

Fads, Fancies and Follies in the Apicultural World—Hon. Eugene Secor.

The Products of the Bee—Pollen, Propolis and Honey—W. A. Selsner.

Food Value of Honey—Its Adulteration and Analysis—Hon. H. W. Wiley.

President's Address—E. Whitcomb.

Secretary Mason announces that since his last notice was published about rates, the Western Passenger Association has written that the rates in their association will be one fare for the round trip plus \$2.00, added to the rates charged by the

other association through whose territory the person may travel. By enquiring of the local station agent, any one may learn the rate.

For any further information, address Secretary Mason.

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### THE ECONOMY OF THE HIVE.

#### A Picture of the Present Christian Dispensation.

I have decided to go wherever there appears to be an open door, and under no human guidance, to preach the word of God. To do this I am giving up all temporary work and will only return to it in as far as it is God's will. It is a step of absolute faith. As a servant I obeyed the voice that spoke to me. In that step although only a few brief days have passed, I have been abundantly sustained, and God has in a wonderful way encouraged me and strengthened my faith in Him. He has since that decision revealed to me that the economy of the hive, the natural history of the bee, is a perfect picture of the present age. The worker bees His children; their work, going out and making fruitful; the sweetness they take in is a picture of our sweetness, they use it for themselves first and what flows over they give out again. The despised, jeered at drone, despised and jeered at by the carnal mind, is a perfect type of Christ's life here on earth in all its details. It is a wondrous picture. May I use what God has given me to His Honor and Glory.

R. F. HOLTERMANN.

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I am very well pleased with the Reversible Honey Extractor I purchased from you. It is all I expected it to be and more. I have been using it to extract combs kept over from last year, a pretty severe test, and it works like a charm.

Nottawa, May 24th, '99. SAM WOOD.

I am well pleased with your hives.

GEO. S. WERN,  
Aberdour June 17, '96.