

Mr. Wright of New York State shows that it can be cured, and profitably cured. I read this to show you that even in those bad cases it can be cured and turned to good account afterwards. (Applause.)

[The remaining reports of foul brood inspectors will appear next month.—Ed.]

AN ENQUIRY FROM QUEBEC

We beginners are sometimes in need of some kind of literature in the bee business, and we don't know where to get it. I think it would be a good investment to have these leaflets or pamphlets advertised in your always welcome journal.

As for me, I would like to get some directions. First, from Mr. Wm. McEvoy on foul brood cure, as he is known to be on top for that important cure; second, from Mr. Alexander, on putting weak colonies on strong ones; third, from some party on the queen-rearing question; and fourth, how to prepare nuclei. If these intelligent men don't want to advertise in your paper, would it not be a good thing for you to keep these tracts to sell and have the list published in your Want and Exchange column?

Last year you improved your index. I have a fancy for a long one. It is so tedious to oversee 500 pages to find out the particulars you want to read over.

J.U.C.

[There are a number of books on bee culture. Unfortunately for us, no one seems to think that an ad. in the C.B.J. might make some sales in Canada. Perhaps some of those who have books for sale might take a hint. We would, however, recommend Root's A B C in Bee Culture, which we can supply. As our enquirer is of the French race in Quebec, we might call his attention to a new work in French by Monsieur Desire Halleux, of Spa, Belgium, who has just published a new book on bee culture. He is Editor of *L'Abeille et sa Culture*. He is Professor of Apiculture at the Huy School

of Agriculture. President of the Bee-keepers' Union of his section, and a counselor on bee-keeping to the Belgian Government. Price 50c, postage extra. We can procure this for J.U.C. if he would like to have it. Mr. McEvoy's cure is well known, and has often been explained in this Journal. We will republish it in January. Mr. Alexander is dead, but of his writings this winter. Mr. Adams, of Brantford, can answer questions 2, 3 and 4. We will endeavor to get something next month from him on these topics. We will give you as good an index of 1908 with our January number as we did last year.—Ed.]

INTERESTING GERMAN ITEMS

(Translated by Jacob Haberer)

Some Points From the "Experience of an Old Beekeeper."

[Read at the Vienna Neustadt Convention by W. Günther, Thuringen]

In reading bee journals I often find opinions quite contrary to my long experience in bee-keeping. For instance, it is said that after four weeks a young queen will not be fertilized, and will become a drone-layer. In the spring, when bees want brood, this may be so, but in summer-time, in case of continuous unsuitable weather, I have observed that queens become fertile after six weeks. In 1886 I had many that were left unfertilized for two months, but when fine weather set in they all got fertilized and proved to be continuously good. This proved that such queens are not poor stock. I find that just this fall fertilized queens are of an excellent quality, as they don't raise much brood in the fall and will be very productive in the spring, also of full value for a few years. But queens mated early in spring are not much good with us. The reason likely is that at that time many of the drones are from drone-breeding colonies.

In journals and books we are always urged to winter only strong colonies, and that is right, but I would warn against