

mind of Graham Bell, in this our good city of Brantford, and brought to a successful issue, it was still but a toy, using stove pipe wire. But the idea was all that was required to give us that great wonder of modern science as we have it to-day. Others started where Bell left off. It would seem, therefore, that Mr. Holtermann's opinion on this matter does not conform with the generally accepted opinion of business men, and we do not think it is in accord with the common law. However, we want to make it clear that we do not know.—Ed.]

DEAD BROOD IN WEAK COLONIES.

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David Scott.

I see you invite subscribers to use your valuable paper both for the writer's benefit and also for information to others. I have been keeping a few hives of bees for the last few years. Last fall I thought I would move my bees. I had been keeping them on the lawn close to the house. Sometimes strangers coming to the house would get stung, and sometimes those who were not strangers. So I moved them to an old orchard, just when I packed them away for the winter. I had eight good strong hives to which I had fed a little syrup for about a month all through September, to stimulate the bees to keep up breeding. Shortly after I had packed them away I noticed two or three of them had diarrhoea; the entrance was becoming all soiled. In the spring two were dead, four others very weak. In the weak hives I found lots of dead brood. I noticed some of the dead brood turned right around in the cell. In spite of all I could do the weak hives dwindled away and died. The two that I had left were good and strong. I thought their new home was all that could be desired. I found the bees very cross. I could scarcely go near them without being attacked, and some times had to make a hasty retreat, and to examine them was

far from pleasant, as smoke would scarcely quiet them. One day when I was examining one of the hives I found a very fine young queen in an upper storey, so I made up another hive out of the other two, as they were now very strong. That was all the increase I made last year, as I feared I had got some dreaded disease. Now, Mr. Editor, could you give me any advice on the matter. The dead brood had no bad odor about it as foul brood would have.

Salem.

[I do not think that the new location had anything to do with your trouble. You seem to have stimulated brood rearing in weak colonies that were unable to take care of it on the approach of the cool fall evenings. The bees were unable to keep up the necessary heat, and the result was it died or starved. I cannot understand the attack of diarrhoea so early in the fall. The food was at fault somehow. It is pretty hard to advise you as your information is not clear enough. We would advise you, however, to call in the inspector and examine your bees. He will be able to locate your trouble and give you good advice. His visit will cost you nothing. Write to the Department of Agriculture, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, and an inspector will be sent to you.—Ed.]

DID WELL AND IS THANKFUL.

R. Galbraith.

The past year has been a very profitable one in the honey business, having secured one hundred and ten pounds per colony. I have sold entirely out at a good price. I am wintering 125 colonies in the cellar. Am well pleased with the C.B.J. and advise all in the bee business to subscribe for it. Let us all be thankful to the Giver of Every Good Gift. Wishing you every success.

Kerwood, Ont.

OPINIONS

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Leon

The discussion to be used for honey is very interesting. Haberer, that if it should be made see no reason why if so marked. I pail having a net would be their no reason why by side, if price

Over here the ounce tumbler preference for the a few pails, but good sellers, even me three cents per for the smaller

Locally I furnish sizes of extract in comb honey commission. For five cents and 10% discount on and on a 10 cent. Counting freight jars cost me 4½ which leaves me Tumblers cost a ing freight, label leaving a balance of seven ounces cts. per lb., net

Most of those than enough for to come out to 1 in which form at ten cents. It takes care of the little too dark for anything in honey in too small

I have one from 150 to 200 his own consumption