

trated by samples of the different things into which it enters as a component, for example say one or two samples each in canned fruits, cakes, pastry, meats, vinegars, etc. In the above there is no mention made of the exclusive use of honey in preserving or sweetening the various things. So long then as it enters as a "component" the conditions have been fulfilled—of what use is that? A bottle of canned fruits may be made with half a pound of the best sugar and one drop, if you like, of the worst honey, and it will form one of the number to make up the largest exhibit. The same with the cakes, pastry, etc., so long as honey enters as a component no matter how small the quantity nor how much the sugar it is another to swell up the "largest" exhibit upon which the prizes were alone given this year. The first prize being awarded to the one who had the largest variety, so in order to meet this demand there was coffee sweetened with honey, lemonade likewise, ointments and salves containing the necessary "components," and what else I do not know to make up to 23 varieties. When it is once understood that the largest and not the best governs, there need be no limit scarcely and the Druggists and M. D's. would be right "in it" sure. There would be gargles and lotions, plasters and potions, cough remedies and pills and cures for all ills, until the judges would tire of counting. No, no, away with such. The only really practical domestic use of honey is in making honey vinegar. Honey can never take the place of sugar in pastry and cake, and in preserving fruits, not until sugar is double the price it is now, or nearly double that of honey can the latter be profitably employed as a substitute for the former.

The following list is based upon the total amount expended on prizes this year. It being exactly the same amount. This would mean a slight gain to the Society as there are three more entries.

Sec. 1—Best 10 lbs. comb honey in sections, quality and appearance to govern: 1st, \$6; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$3.

Sec. 2—Best 500 lbs. Comb Honey in sections, display and appearance to govern: 1st, \$15; 2nd, \$12; 3rd, \$9; 4th, \$6.

Sec. 3—Best 10 lbs. Granulated Clover Honey, quality to govern: 1st, \$6; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$3.

Sec. 4—Best 10 lbs. Granulated Linden Honey, quality to govern: 1st, \$6; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$3.

Sec. 5—Best 100 lbs. Extracted Granulated Honey in glass, display and appearance to govern: 1st, \$8; 2nd, \$6; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$2.

Sec. 6—Best 10 lbs. Extracted Liquid Linden Honey, quality to govern: 1st, \$6;

2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$3.

Sec. 7—Best 10 lbs. extracted liquid clover honey, quality to govern: 1st, \$6; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$3.

Sec. 8—Best 10 lbs. extracted liquid buckwheat honey, quality to govern: 1st, \$3; 2nd, \$2; 3rd, \$1.

Sec. 9—Best 250 lbs extracted liquid linden honey in glass, display and appearance to govern: 1st, \$8; 2nd \$6; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$2.

Sec. 10—Best 250 lbs. extracted liquid clover honey in glass, display and appearance to govern: 1st, \$8; 2nd, \$6; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$2.

Sec. 11—Best 250 lbs. extracted honey in tins, wood or paper, display to govern: 1st, \$8; 2nd, \$6; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$2.

Sec. 12—Best 10 lbs. beeswax: 1st, \$6; 2nd, \$4; 3rd, \$2.

Sec. 13—Best foundation for brood chamber: 1st, \$3; 2nd, \$2; 3rd, \$1.

Sec. 14—Best foundation for sections: 1st, \$3; 2nd, \$2; 3rd, \$1.

Sec. 15—Best Apiarian supplies: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5.

Sec. 16—Best section super, product to be exhibited in super as left by the bees: 1st, \$3; 2nd, \$2; 3rd, \$1.

Sec. 17—Best and most practical new invention for the apiarist never shown before at this exhibition: 1st \$5; 2nd, \$2; 3rd, \$1.

Sec. 18—Best half gallon honey vinegar made exclusively from honey and water. 1st, \$6; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$4; 4th, \$2.

Sec. 19—The most tasty and neatly arranged exhibit of honey as contained in sections 2, 5, 9, 10 and 11: 1st, \$12; 2nd, \$10; 3rd, \$8; 4th, \$5; 5th, \$4.

With the view of making this article as short as possible, I will make brief comments on the changes made.

Sec. 1—10 lbs. is as good as 20, and the cost of transportation is less.

Sec. 2, 5, 9 and 10—Appearance as well as display is considered and not the quality except when the quality effects the appearance.

Sec. 3 and 4—These explain themselves, quality alone governs one prize for granulated honey is not sufficient as in the old. To be able to judge correctly you must compare linden with linden and clover with clover.

Sec. 5, 6 and 7—These explain themselves.

Sec. 8—Producers of buckwheat honey are encouraged to show, but as I do not believe that its production is any benefit to the industry I have made the prizes less.

Sec. 9, 10 and 11—These take the place of sec. 2, 5 and 6 in the old, with the old list the same honey could be shown in sec. 5 or 6 as in sec. 2. By increasing the quantity in sec. 5 and 6 and making a separate entry in 7 in wood or paper it simplifies matters.