

COMPLIMENTARY.

M. A. BROCKWELL, BEDFORD, N. S.: I am very glad you have decided upon having a bee journal of your own.

L. THURSTON, PALERMO, ONT.: I have been waiting very patiently for the first of April, when we shall get the first copy of our CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL. I am sure I wish you success, and will do all I can to support it.

THOS. COLLINS, PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE: I am pleased to see that you are determined to publish a Canadian bee journal, and I wish it every success.

JAMES CAMERON, VALETTA, ONT.: Enclosed you will find one dollar for which please send me your BEE JOURNAL for one year. I think it will be just the paper that I need.

GEO. BLAIR, LANARK, ONT.:—I wish you great success with the BEE JOURNAL. I think it will be appreciated by all bee-keepers in the Dominion. I herewith enclose \$1.00 for the BEE JOURNAL.

J. GORDON, GUILD P. O., ONT.:—I have been taking the WORLD for about one year, and am well pleased with it, especially the "Bee Department." Fully 50 per cent. of the bees are dead in this part of Kent County and the opinion prevails that by the time spring opens up for good the losses will be almost total, in fact some have lost all now. Out of eleven hives put away last fall, I have only succeeded in saving 2, and if they don't get a fly within a few days they will go too. I hope the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL will be a success.

ALLEN PRINGLE, SELBY, ONT.: I beg to enclose to you \$10.00 to pay for the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL for one year to ten new subscribers, whom I have secured and whose names and addresses you will find on another sheet. They all had sufficient confidence in the forthcoming JOURNAL to pay in advance. Nor did it require much argument or persuasion further than a mere statement of the fact that D. A. Jones was to be editor and publisher, assisted by the leading bee-keepers of Canada. I also enclose the names of ten other bee-keepers whom I have not had an opportunity of seeing, but who will probably subscribe after receiving the first number.

CAN BEES BE KILLED?

CHAS. MITCHELL, MOLESWORTH: I have just examined forty-six hives and have come to the conclusion that they are pretty hard to kill. I

thought I had come so near killing mine that I was offering \$200 last night to any one to insure them for a month. However, I think I did kill one colony and one went with dysentery, with nineteen to hear from.

CONVENTION NOTICES.

ONTARIO BEE-KEEPER'S ASSOCIATION, at Toronto, during the Industrial Exhibition, between September 10 and 20, 1885. Exact dates will be given hereafter. Jacob Spence, Sec., Toronto, Ont.

NORTH AMERICAN BEE-KEEPER'S SOCIETY, at Detroit, Mich., on December 8th, 9th, and 10th, 1885. W. Z. Hutchinson, Sec., Rogersville; Genossee, C., Mich.

MICHIGAN STATE CONVENTION, at Detroit, Mich., on December 8th, 9th, and 10th, 1885. H. D. Cutting, Sec., Clinton, Mich.

LISTOWELL BEE-KEEPER'S ASSOCIATION, at Queen's Hotel, Listowell, Ont., May 16th, 1885. Geo. Brown, Sec.-Treas., Molesworth, Ont.

SUBSCRIBER'S REPORT.

A SUCCESSFUL BEEKEEPER.

SAMUEL PEEBLES, HARRISTON, writes:—Enclosed please find my transfer order from the WORLD to the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL. I have kept bees for the last 20 years in the old style box hive, more for pleasure than profit, as I could not think of farming without them. However, I have always been very successful, and they have paid better for the time and labor bestowed on them than any stock I have kept; but it may be as a friend said who has been trying to keep bees. He said, "If Sam only sets them out in the spring he will have more swarms than he knows what to do with." He is always lucky with bees, but, as I am not a believer in luck or chance I have come to the conclusion to take the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, as I believe it is just what we want in Canada. We have here a different climate from where most of the bee journals are published and we want a different system in some respects in order to handle our bees successfully. I may just here remark that all the knowledge I have of bee-keeping I got from Mr. Jones, in Kingston, in the year 1867, at a Provincial fair, when I was a very small boy. When I saw him handling the same class of bees that I had at that time, without any fear or stings, I was anxious to know how he did it; and when I asked him the question, although but a boy at the time, he told me all about the smoking process which I have followed ever since. Formerly I used a long pole to take off the top of the boxes and then I got badly stung. I will not enlarge in this letter, as