

ed an invitation to be present at the Brant District Bee-Keepers Convention, which is to be held at Brantford Court House on Jan. 21st, 22nd, 23rd, '08. Mr. Aspinwall is world-known as one of its most careful apicultural investigators, and he alone is bound to draw a large number to the convention. Several other United States bee-keepers are expected to be present. F. J. Miller, Pres. Ontario Bee-Keepers Association and many other Canadian bee-keepers will be present. The first session begins at 7.30 p.m., 21st, and closes at noon on the 23rd.

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It will be noticed by Mr. Holtermann's letter in another column, that he still adheres to his opinion in the matter of foul brood in Ontario, as published in Gleanings, and referred to by us. It appears to be the opinion in Norfolk that the disease was very bad there. This may be the case, but it cannot be said that the whole Province is in a like condition. However it is by bringing out all the facts that the public becomes informed. In this connection we would be pleased to receive a report from Mr. Armstrong setting forth the number of diseased colonies found, in order that we may become possessed of all the facts; merely giving the number of yards in which it was found is not so satisfactory as knowing the number of diseased colonies; we trust that Mr. Armstrong will furnish us with this information. Truth must stand, and much good will be accomplished by bringing out the whole truth. Speculation and recrimination is not desirable

when facts are available. We trust our friends in Norfolk County are thoroughly aroused to fight the pest, and that they will soon be able to show a clean bill of health.

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An interesting discussion appears in the Bee-Keepers' Review, between W. K. Morrison and editor Hutchinson, in reference to honey being a luxury. Honey has too long been regarded as a luxury, and it is this, more than the price of it that restricts its sale. If honey could be regarded as a necessity for the table, as is butter, for instance, it would be bought at the market price, however variable. Butter will vary in price from 20c. to 35c. per lb. during the year. Yet it is purchased with a feeling on the part of the purchaser that it cannot be done without. We do not think the price of honey has anything to do with the luxury idea. Extracted honey at 15c. per lb. is better and cheaper than butter at 30c. It is the dainty sweetness of honey, and its scarcity that has created this "luxury" idea. Also, when one wishes to point to or emphasize luxurious living, "honey" is invariably used to point the moral. Abundance of honey, and education of the public in its use, will broaden the market and increase its consumption, regardless of the price. The price in any event must be governed by the cost of production, plus a living profit for the producer. Below this it cannot fall, or if it does it will disappear from the market; and above this it cannot rise (unless temporarily), as large and inordinate profits

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