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EDITORIAL NOTES.

We are pleased to learn of the safe return of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Smith of St. Thomas from their visit to England.

Victoria County Bee-Keepers will organize a County Association on Good Friday April 10th. The meeting is announced to be held in Yerex Hall, Little Britain: two sessions 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. A hearty welcome will be accorded to visiting brethren.

Bees are reported to have wintered well, both outside and inside and so far as we can ascertain at present winter losses have been the smallest for many years. Conditions are generally favorable for a good season but of course we are not yet over the danger point. Look out for colonies that have had limited stores.

Another of the old time leaders in the bee-keeping world has passed away, Mr. Thomas G. Newman late Editor and publisher of the American Bee Journal. Mr. Newman though not much before the bee-keeping

public in recent years owing to ill health, was a man of wide influence and ability. He was publisher of the American Bee Journal for about twenty years. Mr. G. W. York present editor and publisher becoming his successor in 1892. Mrs. Newman and family have our sincere sympathy.

We have just received a specimen copy of a new book on bee culture "La Ruche Canadienne," by Alec Santerre, 200 pages, written in French and profusely illustrated. The aim of the book throughout is the promotion of the bee-keeping industry in the Province of Quebec. It is carefully and intelligently written. The writer introduces his work by the statement that "Apiculture is one of the branches of Agriculture which has been too much neglected in this country." The book we understand will be largely circulated by the Department of Agriculture, Quebec, and should give a decided stimulus to the industry in that province. We congratulate Quebec upon the interest the Government there is taking in bee-keeping.

We are in receipt of the following communication from the secretary of the Canadian Honey Exchange:—

Editor C. B. J.—Dear Sir: the directors of the Honey Exchange intend meeting in Easter week to arrange the formation and management of the exchange. They are purposing having a representative attend the spring meeting of all the affiliated societies to present the plans agreed upon for their approval or otherwise, and in this way explain the

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