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Some but not all of our bee-keepers know that there is a prize, or rather four prizes, given at the  
**Inventions.** Toronto Industrial Exhibition for the

"Best and most practical new invention for the apiarist, never shown at this exhibition." This prize has been given for many years. That it is a most difficult prize to award, any thoughtful person will admit. At almost a moment's notice the judges are called upon to decide a question which covers more than one important point. It may be in a direction they have never thought and many an invention has been shown. It might be instructive and amusing to record the inventions which have been displayed. In the direction of the ridiculous has been shown a box rather longer than wide and fitting into this is a board with an upright handle in the centre. The board is exactly the same size as the length and width of the box. By pressing or sitting on the end or point of the handle, you could punish severely anything between the bottom of the box and the board attached to the handle. The practical application was in this way, the hive without bottom was placed upon the box minus the squeezing apparatus. The bees, if for reason were not wanted, say in the fall of the year, were shaken into the box and then destroyed by crushing the bees between the board and the bottom of the box. The invention however, did not take a prize. This year as far as we can recollect, there is shown the Deep Cell Foundation. A

coil of wire pointed at one end and a tin cover at the other, the object of this was to set the cage over the queen on the comb and force her into the coil, by compressing the coil the queen's wing could be reached and clipped without touching the queen. We believe this invention was shown by Mr. Pieris, Drumquin. The deep cell was shown by the G. S. & M. Co., also the perforated divider at the sides of the sections as used by Mr. Pettit and ourselves, also the wedge to put between the bottom board and the brood chamber. The deep cell foundation took first, the queen cage second and the other two inventions were discarded as not of sufficient merit. It would be well if in future such awards were published, they are of value for the present and the future. If anyone else has an invention to describe let us have it.

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The better thinking class of people are beginning to see the necessity for honest and independent journalism. The editor of **Courage in Journalism.** Munsey Magazine says in effect that much of the criticism of the present day is valueless, it does not make and unmake as at one time it did. Praise is given where it can be, but if any adverse remarks should be made the courage and honesty is lacking. At the annual Press Association Meeting held at Ottawa, during the past winter, one of the leading speakers referred to the necessity for the same thing. Since