

hours after the second, and the fourth swarm 1st of August, so you see my old colony threw of four swarms, besides I took three frames well filled from them and they are at present in pretty good shape for winter. I started in April, 1896, with one colony, to-day I have ten colonies all strong and one swarm I lost, or I would have eleven from one. Can you beat that? Bees will winter well here, if properly put away. My bees appeared to build up pretty fast in spring. They appear to me to bring most of their store from the woods at present, although I have buckwheat in bloom and the blossoms alive with wild bees, the most of my bees take to the woods. In regard to the clover, basswood and thistle flows I cannot answer your questions satisfactorily, as I have been away from home the greater part of the summer and of course I took no honey from my bees, only those three frames. But the prospects as far as I can see are good, and good also for buckwheat. JAS. BAYNE.

McKellar, Parry Sound District, Ont.,
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The Paragon of Exhibitions.

The major part of the entries having now been made for Toronto's big exhibition, which is to be held from August 31st to September 12th, it is possible to state definitely that the scale of the exhibition will really be greater than ever. Never before did the exhibits cover such a wide range as they will this year. It almost looks as if every province had striven to do its best to make the exhibition worthy of the country. This, of course, is not only patriotic, but is intensely gratifying, because it shows when the material prosperity of the Dominion is concerned, sectional differences are forgotten. At the forthcoming exhibition in Toronto there will be seen food products of Prince Edward Island; food products, manufactures, fruit and live stock, of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick; an extensive display of horses and cattle, manufactures and minerals from Quebec; the products of forests, waters, mines, gardens, farms, studs, workshops, and art studios of Ontario; the grain, minerals and horses of Manitoba; the grain and minerals of the Northwest; and cereals, fish and minerals of British Columbia. The governments of Ontario, the Dominion and British Columbia will make special exhibits of the wealth of the earth, while the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. will supplement these displays by showing cereals, vegetables and minerals from

many points on their lines, to the extent of double what the Company has shown in other years. In art especially will the exhibition be strong, with the three pictures painted by F. M. Bell-Smith, illustrating incidents connected with the death of Sir John Thompson, at Windsor Castle, for one of which pictures Her Majesty the Queen, Princess Beatrice and members of the royal household, gave special sittings. There will be Edison's wonderful Eidoloscope, an electric theatre; Ontario Trotting Horse Breeders' stake races; Lockhart's performing elephants; the magnificent historical spectacle, entitled the "Feast of Nations" and commemorating the "Taking of the Bastille," and a thousand and one other things; while in consideration of the cattle being on the first week the railways have agreed to grant one fare for the round trip for the entire exhibition from all points in Canada, and to run a special cheap excursion the first week, on Sept. 3rd, and two the second week.

Honey Fruit-Cake.

Four eggs, five cups of flour, two cups of honey, one cup of butter, one cup of sweet milk, two teaspoonfuls of cream of tartar, one teaspoonful of soda, one pound of raisins, one pound of currants, half a pound of citron, one teaspoonful each of cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg. Bake in a slow oven.—September Ladies' Home Journal.

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