

a little chilly and they laid there until the next morning when they came to and were all right. I think that would account for it in that case, that they were coming home rather chilled and dropped short of the hive and remained there until they warmed up next morning.

Mr. Heise: I put in that question. This last fall during the buckwheat flow I happened to walk through the home yard one afternoon and I saw a large number of bees in front of a dozen or more hives and I supposed it was as Mr. Holtermann said that they had got chilled and I thought perhaps after resting they would go back in the hives. They failed to do so. The next day was a foggy cool day and they remained there in the grass all day; the following day turned out warm and before night most of them had succeeded in getting into the hives or somewhere else. I went to the other yard as soon as I saw this, only about a quarter of a mile away, and there was nothing of the kind in that yard. I went there the next day and there was nothing of the kind and I never did see anything in the other yard although it occurred three times in the home yard during the buckwheat flow.

Mr. Holtermann: Was the grass a little longer?

Mr. Heise: No.

Mr. Brown: Have the outside yards the same chance of getting at the buckwheat as the other?

Mr. Heise: No. The home yard is considerably shaded and the out yard has no shade; that may be the reason.

Mr. Post: My remedy for a colony of that kind, if it is in the early part of the season, is re-queening but if it is as late as the buckwheat flow and there would be no chance to get brood from the queen I would not bother with it, I would break it up.

Mr. Holtermann: That is the case of where there is disease.

Mr. Gemmel: Don't you suppose they were gathering something else besides buckwheat about that time?

Mr. Heise: Not that I am aware of.

Question: How will I take care of my extracted honey after it is extracted?

Mr. Miller: I prefer putting it into cans or barrels if it is ripe when extracted. I have never found that leaving it exposed benefited it; and then store it in a dry warm place.

Question: Would an apiary close to a rail road track suffer from the noise of passing trains?

Mr. Miller: I would say not to any great extent. I think the bees would become accustomed to it; I don't think the noise would trouble them.

Mr. Newton: I would say no to it, only sometimes they affect the train men.

Mr. Lott: I have seen frequently along the C. P. R. track where bees have been lying dead, dozens of them; I noticed it last summer more than ever before, that the express would strike the bees in the honey time and kill them or run into the swarm and raise havoc with them.

Question: Will bees winter successfully in the cellar described by Mr. Bingham of Michigan?

Mr. Miller: I know nothing of that method more than what I have read; it seems like a feasible plan for indoor wintering; it gives good ventilation.

Question: What is the best method of freeing brood combs of an overabundance of pollen?

Mr. Miller: I think if the brood combs are moistened and allowed to stand the pollen can be shaken out very largely. I have not practiced any other method.