

Both the *American Bee Journal* and *Gleanings in Bee Culture* make kindly references to the engravings in the June number of the CANADIAN ENGRAVINGS. BEE JOURNAL. Friend Root paid us the high compliment of reproducing prints of two of the plates and in addition that of the editor with some complimentary references to that undeserving creature. In his closing remarks our friend Root says:

"When we know a man so well it is always interesting to know how the members of his family look."

Now we know editor Root practices as he preaches and there is only one way out of the difficulty. He must let the readers of *Gleanings* "know how the members of his family look." *The associate editor included.*

Canada's Great Fair for 1894.

The Toronto Industrial Exhibition, which is to be held from the 3rd to the 15th of September, will no doubt be the greatest fair of the present year, and from present indications it promises to excel all others, both in point of exhibits and in attendance of visitors. The grounds have been vastly improved since last year, and already most of the space in all the buildings has been applied for. All entries close on the 11th of August. A good programme of special attractions, both novel and interesting, will be provided as usual. It is only a little over a month to the time of the fair, and our readers cannot choose a better holiday trip than this offers. Cheap excursions will as usual be run on all railways at rates in keeping with the times. This great Fair has now become one of the best and most popular educational and entertainment enterprises on this continent, and attracts visitors each year, not only from all parts of the Dominion, but from the United States as well, and those who have never been there would be surprised at its magnitude and attractiveness, being almost like a World's Fair, only on a smaller scale. The exhibit in the apiarian department continues to be the best in the world.

I will have a pretty fair crop of honey to dispose of this year, bees are doing very well this last while. Basswood is better this year than I ever saw it.

DANIEL EBY.

Moorefield, Ont., July 22nd, '94.

To The Bee-Kcepers of North America.

The North American Bee-Keepers' Association was organized in December, 1870, with the avowed object of "promoting the interests of bee-culture throughout North America." All who are familiar with its work know, and its published proceedings also show, that it has adhered to this purpose, and has contributed as much as any similar society in the world to the spread of a knowledge of practical and scientific apiculture. Reviews, translations, and citations from these proceedings appear in the apiarian journals of all European countries. Much has in this way been done by this Society toward giving to the American system of apiculture the recognition which its great merits justly entitle it to receive.

APICULTURE PROGRESSING AND THE SOCIETY FLOURISHING.

The Association itself was never in a more flourishing condition than at present, having reached at the last meeting the highest membership it has ever possessed. But the remarkable progress made by apiculture in the United States and Canada within the memory of many who are still among the active members of this Society—in fact, the development of this industry until it has become one of considerable national importance—makes it certain, when we consider the wide fields yet unoccupied, that still greater things may be expected. If all who are interested in this pursuit, and are proud of the rank which the apiculture of America holds, are willing to assist the objects of this Association to the extent at least of becoming members and retaining continuous membership, results not merely gratifying to all but substantial benefits to every member will follow. It is not a trade union nor a socialistic society to promote strikes and boycotting, but a peaceful joining of scattered forces which by numbers, interests, and enthusiasm shall command respect and recognition with those whose work in life has not made them familiar with the extent and needs of this industry. The field is wide enough for all, and there should be no holding back through a spirit dictated by a feeling that one's own advancement is hindered by the well-earned progress of his fellow-man. Each should have instead a just pride in the knowledge that he has contributed to the general advancement.

WHAT THE SOCIETY CAN DO.

The North American Bee-Keepers' Association might aid in obtaining National and State legislation favorable to the interests of apiculture, both in securing and