

In so far as I know the relation of our local association with the Ontario Association is of the very best—indeed could not well be otherwise considering the way they are treated. Have done nothing in the way of buying queens for members for a number of years now, but the matter has been talked over at late meetings.”

Russell county was also organized about this time.

For the years '97 and '98 there were no new societies formed. In '99 Simcoe organized and in '03 Victoria was added to the list. Both of these are doing business to-day.

From 1903 to 1911 no new associations were formed.

In 1911 with the assistance of the Provincial Apiarist the following counties organized:

Hastings: Secretary, A. D. McIntosh, B.S.A., Stirling.

Huron: Secretary Jacob Haberer, Zurich.

Leeds: Secretary H. E. Eyre, Chantry.

Northumberland: Secretary, R. S. Duncan, B.S.A., Port Hope.

Lincoln and Welland: Secretary W. V. Bowen, Niagara Falls.

Wellington: Secretary, R. A. Gilchrist, Guelph.

This makes seventeen county bee-keepers' associations in existence at the present time and several other counties are thinking seriously of organizing during coming winter.

Now as to the work of these County associations. The purpose of the first bee-keepers who called conventions was very similar to that of those who call local conventions to-day, simply to get together and talk bees the same as any two bee-keepers do when they get together, the only difference being that the bee talk is conducted in an organized sort of way with one in the chair and a secretary to report proceedings..

In addition to getting together and talking bees the next step was to persuade some man who was supposed to know more about the business than ordinary people to attend the meeting and give an address on some particular part of bee-keeping. After this address there was usually a question drawer when all kinds of questions handed in would be answered by the speaker. We find that in the eighties Mr. D. A. Jones usually occupied this place of honour.

(To be continued.)

A CORRECTION

Dear Sir,—One of our Inspectors has called my attention to a very serious mistake which you have made in publishing my report of the inspection of apiaries in Ontario for 1911. In the table showing the inspection work done, the third column is the "total number of colonies in diseased apiaries," not the "number of diseased colonies" as you have reported. I gave the total number of colonies in diseased apiaries instead of simply giving the number of colonies reported diseased, because I wanted to show the extent of the apiaries represented, but it is too bad to have reported that there was nearly 8000 colonies of bees having Foul Brood, when the number is really far less.

Another mistake which should be corrected is the statement that the seventeen diseased apiaries in York County were all E.F.B., when as a matter of fact the statement is made in my report that there was **only one colony** in all of these seventeen apiaries having this particular disease.

I hope you will make these corrections as prominently as possible in the February number.

Yours very truly,
MORLEY PETTIT.

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