

Buckwheat Cakes and Honey.

The merry convention song of the N. B. K. A. was composed for the occasion by its poetical general manager, Hon. Eugene Secor, Forest City, Iowa, and the music by Mr. Geo. W. York, editor of the American Bee Journal. Mr. York, who has excellent musical abilities, favored the audience with a rendering of the piece, and afterwards led them in its singing.

When e'er I pass a scented field
Of buckwheat, late in summer,
I know the blossoms nectar yield
And watch each laden "hummer."
And dream of what the winter'll bring
When days are not so sunny,
Then bees no more are on the wing,
'Tis buckwheat cakes and honey, Oh

CHORUS.

Hurry up the flap-jacks,
Make the batter "runny"
Cook 'em quick, and bring along
Lots of cream and honey.

Laugh at Boreas when I know
The bees have stored a-plenty
To sweeten all that come and go,
No matter if it's twenty.
Bossie stands knee deep in straw,
I've ev'rything but money—
Sweet-heart wife whose love is law,
And, buckwheat cakes and honey,
Oh,—[Cho.

COMMUNICATIONS.

For C. B. J. :

Dear Sir,—The annual meeting of Ontario Bee-keepers' Association will be held in the city of Woodstock in December, at a date not to be fixed with the dates of the fat stock market at Guelph. The Programme Committee have decided to invite the following gentlemen to take part on programme :

Professors Fletcher, and Shutt, of Ottawa, and Professor Harrison, of Guelph; Messrs. Hutchinson, editor Bee-Keepers' Review, and Root, editor of Gleanings.

The above gentlemen are to be invited to give papers or addresses on any subjects they may choose.

President Newton will give his address. H. G. Sibbald, Claude, will give a paper on "The management of our Apiaries and Prevention of Swarming." R. H. Smith, St. Thomas, paper on "Exhibitions of Honey." Wm. McEvoy, paper on "Hits and Misses on Foul Brood." J. F. Fixter, Ottawa, paper on "Experiments." J. H. Shaver, Cainsville, on "The Production of Comb Honey."

It was decided to hold a banquet on the evening of the second day. There will be a question drawer at all sessions. It is hoped to have the programme complete very soon and printed in pamphlet, and copies sent to all members and any others interested.

I am, yours truly,

W. COUSE, Sec.

Streetsville, Sept. 26, 1901.

Feeding Back.

S. E. Miller.

This article will be too late to be seasonable, but as it is more fresh in my memory, I can give the facts more minutely than I can perhaps nine months later.

It is not as pleasant to report failure as it is to publish our success, but as it is sometimes worth as much to know what not to do as what to do, I will give what might be considered a failure, so that the readers may profit by not doing as I did. July 5 I put on one of my best honey gatherers and comb builders, three supers containing eighty sections. On top of these I placed a Miller feeder, and gave them eighteen pounds extract.