

a readable article in August "Review." Being a Canuck with a couple of out-yards, with "money" as the main objective, naturally the subject was of interest to your humble servant. We note that, in common with some of the rest of us, Mr. Laing wants to get as much of said "money" as possible, with as little work as possible. He advocates large hives, full sets of tools at each yard, good locations and outdoor wintering in packed hives, with all of which the writer heartily agrees. Regarding the swarming problem, Mr. Laing believes in having a man at each yard, one "upon whom you can depend to carry out your instructions to the letter." He cites as one advantage in favor of the plan that you are "not obliged to have more than one super, as he can extract the honey as soon as it is ripe." Amateurs who could do this thing successfully in our locality are few and far between; in fact, feel quite sure that if there is a surplus of stock in vicinity of Hamilton, possessing qualities like those described re "carrying out instructions to the letter," said surplus can easily be distributed among the bee-keepers of Ontario by a little advertising. As to my own opinion regarding the advisability of having a man at each out-yard, when I consult this old body of mine it says "Hire the help," but from a monetary standpoint past experience says "It pays better to do without the man." Not so many years ago we hired a young fellow, capable and honest enough, but withal human like the rest of us. His sole duty was to watch for swarming and cage queens when they issued and let swarms return. One day at noon, during the height of the honey flow, we dropped in unexpectedly and found our man sound asleep on an improvised cot in the honey house. To be sure, we don't know how often this occurred, but we do know that at close of the season

that yard was all demoralized compared with the other yard, which I visited periodically and with no dependence on any one else.

Proper Place to Store Honey.

Just a few days ago had my attention drawn to the necessity of bee-keepers always telling consumers of honey where to keep it. A lady who for a number of years has bought a few pails of honey from me remarked as I was leaving the door after delivering some honey this year: "I suppose the best place to keep it will be in the cellar?" We happened to know that the cellar in question is a very damp one, and if the honey in previous years has been stored therein we are not at all surprised that this family's consumption of honey has been so limited.

[Don't you think it would be well if bee-keepers would send printed directions for liquifying and keeping the honey with each package supplied, whether large or small? Such would serve to enlighten the purchaser regarding granulated honey and prevent mistakes like you have described.—Ed.] Well,

INDUCEMENTS TO POULTRY MEN.

Splendid inducements are held out to poultry breeders by the Central Canada exhibition association for the fair, September 8 to 16. New regulations in the interests of poultry men have been passed, and the prize list increased. Among the new regulations is one that no visitor will be allowed into the building during the cooping, which will take place at 4.30 on Friday, the 15th. A selling class has also been added, and the Ottawa Poultry Association is offering fifteen silver engraved spoons for competition. Those who have not yet exhibited at Ottawa's fair may well give it a trial this year.