



"THE GREATEST POSSIBLE GOOD TO THE GREATEST POSSIBLE NUMBER."

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EDITORIAL

HOW hard it is to convince some men. Just look at Heddon and Tinker for instance, the one cannot convince the other that he is the original sole and only originator of the perforated metal honey board. We think that—well possibly we had better not say what we think for fear we again stir up the slumbering fires.

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SHIPPING FOUNDATION IN JANUARY.

A couple of weeks ago we shipped 50 lbs. of foundation to a customer, during the very cold snap, and we received from him a day or two ago a card to the effect that he "received the foundation in first-class condition, not one sheet being broken." We often ship small lots, but not usually as large a package as the above, with success, and right in a cold snap too.

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Secretary Couse is now mailing Langstroth Revised to the members of 1887.

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A few weeks ago we remarked the absence of papers on bee-keeping at the Farmers' Institute meetings; since then we have received notification of several. Mr. W. D. Black read a very able paper before the Cumberland County Institute, Nova Scotia, which we would reproduce were it not so lengthy. We notice that Professor Saunders, of the Ottawa Ex-

perimental Farm, Hon. Hiram Black, of Amherst, N. S., and other prominent men were present and took part in the discussion. Professor Saunders enquired about the value of thistles for honey, and Mr. Black replied that there were not enough of them in Nova Scotia to admit of a test being made. Ontario farmers no doubt wish it was the same in their neighborhood. The Amherst Gazette publishes the paper in full.

OBSERVATIONS.

THE cut of T. G. Newman, so exquisitely printed by *Gleanings*, is horribly reproduced in the *C. H. P.*, and if Newman doesn't sue Holterman for pictorial libel he must be of a very forgiving nature. Poor Newman is made to look as though he had his "pictur' took" with dust blowing in his eyes.

Now that Rev. W. F. Clarke is president of the Provincial bee-keepers he will surely use his pen more freely than of late. I miss his always readable and interesting articles.

A farmer on whom I called a week or two ago told me how he wintered his bees last winter and it seems somewhat original to me. He had four colonies of blacks in Jones hives (beg pardon, Mr. Hallamshire, I should have said "stocks") and shortly before putting them in cellar three were found to be queenless. Knocking the bottom boards from two spare hives, he placed them over the "stock" (ha! ha! Mr. H. B.-K.) that had a queen, and transferred the