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YOUR subscription expired with number A prompt remittance will oblige Goold, Shapley & Muir Co., Lt'd., Brantford, Canada. The October number of the Canadian Bee Journal is 368.

A number of subscribers sent their renewal money last month; they have our thanks for the prompt response. From six to eight hundred more have failed as yet to re-We Can Stand mit and we ask this noble Fire, brigade to respond to our command with alacrity and fire the amount due at our devoted pocket. We are fully prepared to stand fire very courageously. We have put a lot of hard work and hard money into the JOURNAL and feel we are entitled to prompt payment of all subscriptions. Friend in arrears, what do you think

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We must ask the indulgence of our readers this month for the late appearance of the JOURNAL and for the absence of the usual editorial department, owing to the serious indus-ASICK Editor. position of Editor Holtermann. He was taken ill while attending the Montreal Exhibition and narrowly escaped an attack of fever. but is now, we are glad to say, on the read to recovery.

## **Convention Notice**

The annual meeting of the Lambton Bee Association will be held at the Johnson House, in the town of Petrolia, on Nov. 23rd. Everyone interested is requested to attend. J. R. KITCHIN, Sec.-Treas.

MR EDITOR.—I was astonished at seeing the reports of the failure of the honey crops in western Ontario in the last number of the C. B. J.

In this vicinity (near Kingston, Ontario), we had probably a two-third crop, and that all No. 1 honey.

I wintered 130 out of 131 colonies put into winter quarters last fall. But bringing through such a large per cent. is not enough, they must be strong enough to be of value to run for honey. Last spring they dwindled badly, so much so that they had to be united until there was only 94 colonies left, which were run for extracted honey.

The first swarm issued on the 1st of June. They began to store clover honey on the 5th. Had 51 supers on the 7th and on the 10th the hive on scales gained 9 pounds.

The basswood bloom was extra early and short. It began to open on the 4th of July. Hive on scales gained on the 4th, 4½ lbs.; on the 5th, 12 lbs.; 6th, 14 lbs.; 7th, 18½ lbs.; 8th, 13 lbs.; and on the 9th less than nothing. Thistles did not yield any surplus. Finished extracting with 7,400 pounds of No 1 honey and 65 pounds of wax. Increased the colonies to 146.

R. A. MARRISON. Inverary. Sept. 12th, 1895.