

inclined to think it was fairly heavy foundation to begin with?

Mr. Gemmell. It might, I wouldn't like to say. That is what we got. We didn't take one hive, we took 96 combs, that was 8½, and that was the result. We kept count of the wax we boiled out and the amount we pressed out.

Mr. Hall. It is very soft wax.

Mr. Smith. I didn't think there would be so much added. There must be more or less absorbed in the cocoons.

Mr. Gemmell. This pressure seems to press everything out through the gunny sacking.

Mr. Newton. I am glad Mr. Gemmell has brought out the point he has. I think it was too years ago we had a long discussion on the same line, and it didn't seem as though we could get much light on the subject. I have done a good bit of melting of old combs, and I thought I could get a pretty good percentage though I never was certain I got it all, because it makes too good kindling to light the fire to think we got it all. After Mr. Gemmell was up to see me the refuse was out in the garden, and he asked if I would give it to him. He sent for it, and the return he told me was seven pounds two ounces out of the 21 pounds of refuse. In making up some of Mr. Gemmell's wax this year into foundation, I might say, it was nice wax that was out by that process, and although a little bit soft it worked very nice. I am sure as bee-keepers we have to thank Mr. Gemmell for what he has brought before us, although probably not new in a way, yet it is new to the bee-keepers of the Ontario Bee-Keepers Association.

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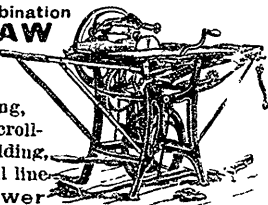
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