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## EDITORIAL.

### A Lie on its Travels.

USUALLY the Family Herald and Montreal Star is regarded as a paper upon which ordinary reliance can be placed. Occasionally, however, it steps from the path of truth and has recently been guilty of publishing the following lie:

Artificial honey, which is more common in the market than consumers know, is made of potato starch and oil of vitriol. Some rash optimists think that they are sure of getting the genuine product of bees and flowers by purchasing honey in the comb. Deluded mortals! The exquisite white comb that pleases them is often made of paraffine wax.

This item is not original with the Star. It is an old sensational lie which has travelled through the "patent" newspapers for some months. Where it originated would be impossible to trace.

It is strange that of all lying excerpts from Canadian papers which have come under our notice during the past year all have been from papers published in Montreal. The Catholic Chronicle has not had the manliness to withdraw "imitation honey" from its market reports, nor the courtesy to answer our letters regarding the procuring of a sample of the stuff at the prices given. We trust the Star will correct the misleading and untruthful paragraph.

Since writing the above we see by the A. B. J. that Bro. Newman has this to say of the same item in the Star.

There is neither sense nor reason, neither object nor excuse for such paragraphs as the above! The idea of potato-starch and the oil of vitriol making "honey!" It is not only untrue but absurd nonsense!

The "deluded mortals" are those who believe the story of the Star about paraffine combs, potato-starch and oil of vitriol!

Bro. D. A. Jones should see to that "deluded mortal" who scribbles such foolishness for the Montreal Star.

Those who assert that "honey-combs are made of paraffine, filled with glucose, potato-starch, oil of vitriol, etc, and "sealed up by machinery," should produce a crate of such stuff, and obtain the \$1.00 offered by Bro. Root for a sample of it—or else cease to repeat their villainous falsehoods which are a detriment to an honest industry.

For the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

Packing Comb Honey for Long Shipment.

I AM in receipt of your favor of the 25th inst. with Mr. Blais' letter enclosed asking advice as to the best method of packing comb honey for transportation to distant stations, say Europe.

Comb honey sent to the old country should be put in comb cases containing half a dozen sections each. The risk from damage is increased in proportion to the size and weight of the packages. In the bottom of the cases there should be placed a sheet of strong manilla paper, upon this should be laid two thin strips of wood one along each side upon which the bottom of the section rests. This is merely a protection from smearing in case of leakage from the combs. The sections should fit tightly in the section case, and each case should be wrapped in strong paper. This done they are ready to