



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

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OUR OWN APIARY.

MAKING MORE YARDS.

WE have taken advantage of the past week of unfavorable honey weather, to make two more yards by taking a number of colonies from each of the yards already established, there being more bees than we cared to keep in one locality. We should have formed the yards much earlier had it not been for the fact that trained labour could not be secured.

MOVING BEES.

We have found after a fair trial that an ordinary wagon without springs, on a good level road, will carry colonies of bees properly prepared, without breaking any combs even with strong colonies. We place no straw or other soft material under the hives. We can draw thirty colonies on a one horse wagon by placing two rows in the box, then a rack made of boards on top, upon which two more rows are put. With a wagon box sixteen feet long thirty to forty colonies may be transported, and one strong horse will draw them about three miles an hour. We prefer moving bees late at night or early in the morning. When moonlight, as in our case, it is more pleasant and safer to move them at night. Prepared as we prepare them, they may be moved in the warmest weather. We extract most of the honey, and nail the frames in position with two-inch wire nails; a nail through each end of the top

bar of each frame is sufficient. The bottom bars are not fastened, as a sudden jolt might break the combs.

USING FULL SHEETS OF THIN FOUNDATION FOR SECTIONS.

Those who have not used full sheets of section foundation in their sections should try it and observe the difference in quantity of honey secured. Our experiments have fully convinced us that sections should contain full sheets and with the beautiful light section foundation we are now making there is no danger of any back bone in the comb honey. In a letter from Mr. Corneil lately he says: "Dr. Tinker wrote me to try a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch starter in the bottom of the section as well as the usual starter at the top. I did so and as my section cases reverse just as readily as not, I reversed the cases, when the two starters were joined, or nearly so, and the result is that the sections are filled without as much as a hole for the passage of a single bee."

We have no doubt but the above plan will be an improvement, in having the sections filled perfectly all round, over the "starter" system.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

THE NEW HEDDON HIVE.

I ENTIRELY agree with Mr. Allen Pringle's remarks in the issue of the C. B. J., just to hand; also with the editorial judgment concerning the new Heddon hive. My forthcoming book was on my mind. Swarming began with me unusually early, and I was too