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It will be noticed that we are making our journal forty pages this month instead of thirty-two as formerly. We trust that this will be appreciated. It is our purpose to put some life in the old woman, and to this end we have given her a dress of good white coated paper, and otherwise polished her up a bit. If she appears a bit frivolous write us. If her good looks should tempt any of you to become her escort during 1908, it will cost you one dollar. We think you will find her so entertaining and instructive that you will say that she would be cheap at double the price.

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The laws of average are bound to prevail. We have had two or three bad years, and we think we can now look forward with confidence to a good season next year. Do not treat the bees indifferently this fall because the returns of the season have been poor. Put them in good shape for winter—do your part thoroughly—you will win in the end. A story is told of an Irishman who was inclined to be a trifle easy. He planted his potatoes and said he would now leave them to God. He gave them no further care. At the end of the season he found that God had partly left them to him—result, no potatoes. We are sorry to say that this is the experience with some bee-keepers.

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We very much regret that this issue of THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL should be so late in the month.

Circumstances over which we had no control made a late issue imperative.

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We cannot too strongly impress upon our readers the necessity of feeding the bees well before finally placing in winter quarters. Your success next season will depend upon it. Remember the centre combs from which brood has hatched late in the fall will be empty. It is on these chiefly that the bees cluster. If centre frames are empty the bees may starve, even though the side frames may be well filled. It happens, if the weather is very cold, that the bees cannot break cluster sufficiently often to go after the feed; and results are the same as if they had no honey at all.

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The Bee-keepers Association of the County of Simcoe held their annual meeting on Saturday, Oct. 19th. A notice of the meeting was sent us for publication in this October number, but we regret to say that publication was made subsequent to the 19th. We hope that our Simcoe friends had a good meeting nevertheless, and we hope to hear from Mr. Nolan, the secretary, with a report of the meeting.

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They are holding a national exhibition in Dublin. The Irish Bee-keepers have made application for space to exhibit the Bee Industry, and have been denied. The English bee-keepers, however, have been permitted to exhibit. Little wonder our Irish friends are indignant. Not allowed to exhibit at their own national exhibition! Another injustice to Ireland!

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