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EDITORIAL.

THOSE who have colonies which are short of stores, should see to it, that all feeding is done before the first of October. Except a final look-over, all the work of preparation should be done early.

Henry Alley's new edition of "Thirty years among the bees," is just out. It contains the result of his years of experience in queen rearing, in 72 pages. The price, in paper cover, is 50 cents.

At the Toronto exhibition Mr. Jacob Alpaugh has three little bottles filled with the white headed drones, which Mr. Smith writes about again in the last issue of the BEE JOURNAL. Those on exhibit are well preserved, and are very similar to those which we have in our own collection.

We sent out some two thousand sample copies of our issue for Sept. 1st, about a week ago, and we are now receiving new subscriptions at the rate of five to ten daily. We are sanguine that by the first of January we shall

have our subscription list at least 1000 larger. To do this it will be necessary that our friends help us by recommending the BEE JOURNAL whenever they have a chance to do so. The fall fairs present many excellent opportunities.

The last frost has destroyed the bee-pasture in many localities and the bees are now consuming their stores. Those who wish to have them breed longer will feed a little each evening or the queens will stop depositing eggs. Cool nights and no honey coming in simply means a stoppage of the brood rearing.

On every side are we receiving commendations for the expose we have made of the wholesale adulteration of foundation which has been carried on by R. E. Smith, of Tilbury Centre, and in not one instance has there been a word against our course, which was taken at a considerable sacrifice to future business in that quarter.

A correspondent from Middlesex Co. writes: "Tell Mr. McKnight that in the St. Mary's market beekeepers sell not only the wood but all the propolis that they can coax the bees to stick on. Ask him about the honesty of that." The same correspondent says, in his letter, which was not intended for publication, that our remarks with reference to swarms drifting before the wind is directly contradictory to his experience.