

gean, had his first experience in bee-keeping having 4 swarms in box hives, they were standing close together through the summer and in the fall he found combs of honey built between two of the box hives. The owner thought he was entitled to some of the honey, but the bees objected to his method of taking it. Mr. Grosgeau got some of the honey but does not know whether he or the bees felt the worst when the task was over. This little battle made the bee-keeper realize he knew nothing about bees and he subscribed for a Bee Journal and sent for all the bee-books he could hear of. Six years after his first experience he put 135 colonies in the cellar and took 131 out alive in the spring.

He keeps about 100 colonies spring count increasing enough for losses and sales.

Mr. Grosgean is esteemed in his own township, he is pointed to by his neighbors as one of their stirring and successful men, he takes a keen interest in municipal and agricultural affairs. He is serving his fourth year in the Municipal Council, he is president of the Farmers Institute and has been twice elected to represent West Northumberland at the Central Farmers Institute at Toronto.

Annual Meeting of the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union.

The next annual meeting of the above organization will be held at the Ontario Agricultural college, Guelph, Dec. 21st and 22nd next. This body is conducting the largest system of co-operative experiments in the world. It is spending over \$700.00 per annum in this work. The meetings are becoming better every year, Bee-Keeping will be taken up amongst other subjects, the afternoon of the 21st. Farmers and others interested are invited to attend. For further particulars address the sec'y,

R. F. HOLTERMANN,
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To a Rose in January.

By John Kendrick Bangs.

I passed along a bleak and snow-bound way
One bitter cold mid-January day,
And on the glistening, ice-incrusted snow
I saw, in full bloom, a rose.

In fragrance it was sweet, and in its hue
Unto its own ideal it was true.
The wintry woes by which it had been
caught

No single change in it had wrought.

Indeed, it seemed to me a purer thing
Than any rosebud in the early spring;
And, like a human soul, it seemed to be
Enobled by adversity.

THE HOME.

The Force in Each Day.

To live each day so that it ministers to the day that is to follow, is the unexpressed hope of every thinking mortal. In business we call this foresight, in education it is love of study, in religion we call it living like a Christian. Each day, whether we will it so or not, represents the highwater mark of attainment. The mistakes of to-day mark the development of business sagacity; the unlearned lesson is the test of intellectual ambition; the sin of to-day measures our strength to resist disease. In mechanics there is an adage that expresses a principle: "The vessel is no stronger than its weakest part." It is true of man. The measure of his strength is where he shows the least resistance; where he is persuaded by outward or inward forces to that act which results in evil in retarding of development, whether in purse, in mind, or in soul.

Men grow narrow because they do not live in sympathy with the times; they grow hard because they keep the world outside; they lose in spiritual force because they keep that force under in their daily life. Every day witnesses to the life lived the preceeding day; this must be so, for life is cumulative either in good or evil; there is no blank. Consciously or unconsciously, this force is working for good or evil; stagnation is death. When we realize this to the full, we strive to compel attainment. When we look upon each as a period by itself, we become the playthings of time.

CONVENTION NOTICES.

The second Annual Meeting of the Glenary Bee - Keepers Association, will take place in the Town of Alexandria, on Wednesday 20th of December, 1893. Forenoon session from 10 a. m., to 12 o'clock noon, Afternoon session from one to half-past four o'clock p. m. All are invited to attend.

ALF. DICKSON,
Secretary & Treasurer.

Leeds and Grenville Bee-Keepers Association.

The Leeds and Grenville Bee - Keepers Association will meet at the Village of Lansdowne on Tuesday, Dec. 19th 1893. All interested in Bee-Culture are requested to be there, and bring samples of honey or any appliance which might be of interest to bee-keepers.

M. B. HOLMES, Treas.
F. WOOD, Sec'y.

Athens, Ont.