

- " 22-25.—Weather very cool, The bees did not come out at all. On the 26th they began to fly, but none were noticed carrying pollen.
- " 27-29.—Very fine weather. Bees flying well and collecting pollen freely from soft maples. Very few willows in blossom yet.
- " 30.—Morning opened cold and dull; but the afternoon was bright and the bees worked well on elms and willows.
- May 1-4.—Bees flying well and gathering much pollen.
- " 5.—Fine warm day. Bees working well. Noticed the bees beginning to cluster in front of one hive.
- " 8.—Wet all day. No bees flying.
- " 10.—Fine day. All colonies appeared to be working well. All hives inspected. Found abundance of brood. Some young bees coming out. A good quantity of fresh honey gathered. Found a few grubs of the Bee-moth (*Galleria mellonella*, L.) in one hive and at once destroyed them all.
- " 11.—Fine day. Bees working well, cool towards evening.
- " 12-13.—Very cold. Bees did not come out at all. It froze hard at night.
- " 14.—A good deal of dead brood was carried out in front of several hives. Bees noticed clustering around water tap.
- " 15-16.—Bright and sunny, but very cold wind; very little working. A considerable amount of dead brood and young bees in front of every hive.
- " 19-18.—Bright and sunny, but a cool wind; bees working fairly well.
- " 19-21.—Wet, cold, and dull; very little flying.
- " 22.—Cold, but beginning to get warmer.
- " 23-24.—Very fine; bees working well.
- " 24.—Inspected every hive; a considerable amount of new honey and brood, except in one colony which was very weak. Later, this colony was united with a new swarm from one of the other hives.
- " 25-29.—Very fine weather. Bees working well.
- " 29.—First swarm of the season.
- " 30.—Fine till evening, when heavy rain fell. Bees clustering around nearly every hive.
- " 31.—Very wet. Bees did fly until evening.
- June 1.—Very fine. Bees working well. Placed first set of supers on all the hives except the weak colony mentioned above.
- " 2.—Fine; bees working well, but still clustering.
- " 3-5.—Rather dull, but bees working well; all clustering ceased.
- " 6.—Rather dull; very little flying. White clover and Alsike coming into bloom.
- " 7-10.—Very fine; bees working well.
- " 11.—Mock Orange (*Philadelphus*) in full bloom and very attractive to bees.
- June 20.—A considerable amount of clover honey in the sections.
- " 21.—Wet all day; bees working fairly well.
- " 22-26.—Weather very fine; a large amount of clover honey gathered.
- " 27-30.—Bees working well on clover blossoms which are now abundant.
- July 1.—Basswood flowers fairly well opened; bees working well. All hives examined. Several supers full of clover honey; combs well capped. Each of these was marked and an empty super inserted below it, so that the bees might go on working, and the full super being on the top, it would not get travel-stained by the bees passing over it, and the honey would ripen to a certain extent.
- " 2-15.—Bees working well on clover and basswood.
- " 15.—All supers full of honey removed.
- " 15-18.—Bees working well. Basswood just about finished.
- " 18.—Buckwheat, plot No. 1, in bloom; bees working well on it and clover, which is still in bloom.
- " 23.—Bees collecting much honey from English horse-beans.
- " 23-31.—Very fine weather for bees; working well on clover, buckwheat and horse-beans. Buckwheat plot No. 2, came into bloom.
- Aug. 1.—Much buckwheat honey in super.
- " 1-15.—Bees working well on buckwheat plots 1, 2 and 3; and a good supply of buckwheat honey in supers.
- " 17.—Considerable clustering, owing to the excessive heat. Made space for ventilation, between super and brood chamber, just wide enough only to prevent bees getting through, and also put an extra wooden cover on the top of the hives for shade.
- " 18.—Buckwheat plot No 1 out of bloom; but bees are working well on plots 2 and 3 now well in blossom; plot 4 just coming into flower.
- " 19-25.—Bees working well on buckwheat.