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The Goold, Shapley & Muir Co., Limited, are engaged in bee-keeping on about as

**A Big Season.** any one in the Dominion. They have four apiaries this season; in all at this date of writing, about 330 colonies of bees. Prospects for honey were never better, and bees have been doing very well. On Sunday evening May 8th, the apiary at Brantford was making that peculiar roar, which is always an unmistakable sign of strong colonies and the ripening of honey gathered during the day. A very severe late frost is now about the only thing that can prevent a fair honey crop, and bee-keepers better get everything ready for the flow. Large as the factory of the company is, they are working day and night and making every effort to catch up with orders.

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To give our readers an idea of what a bee-keeper in Kilkenny calls a big yield, we extract his report

**Bees in Kilkenny.** from the British Bee Journal. He commenced the season with fifteen colonies, three of which were run for swarms, and therefore not supered. At the end of May he secured a vagrant swarm from outside, and had a new hive with full sheets of foundation fitted up to receive them, but the bees united without loss to either. Swarming was excessive. Of the fifteen hives, all swarmed except four, and in one case a swarm issued from a varna. The apiary increased from fifteen

(spring count) to twenty-nine on July 31st. His rate of honey was 470 sections and 530 lbs. of extracted honey, or a total of 1,000 lbs., with well filled brood chambers and a fine cake of first quality wax weighing fourteen pounds.

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If some of us are not very careful the departments containing bee matter boiled down, condensed, **Systematic Pilfering.** double distilled, etc., will become mediums

for distributing to the public stolen goods and the question will be if the readers of these departments will become the receivers of stolen goods. But laying all jokes aside, the practice to cull some good ideas and appropriate them without giving credit to the place from which they were taken, is getting to be altogether too common. For instance, so and so says so and so. Now he only said so in one place, at the Ontario Convention at Hamilton. The Canadian Bee Journal was the only one which published a report. Conclusion, that credit was not given. Here and there credit is given. Yes, only a portion of the goods have been stolen.

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At this date of writing (April 27th) we have a letter and article from Captain Hetherington. At the **Capt. Hetherington** Buffalo convention he was kind enough to come to the editor of the Canadian Bee Journal and say that after constantly reading the Canadian Bee Journal, he had made up his mind that he was trying