

My bees appear to be all wintering well.

Yours, etc.,

W. J. BROWN.

Ghard, Ont., March 22, 1893.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

ANOTHER ASSOCIATION FORMED.

MR. EDITOR,—I presume you would not mind getting some news from the east end of Ontario. I notice in the editorial of the last JOURNAL an item to the effect that an affiliated association has been organized in Prescott county, so you desired to know which would be next.

Well, sir, for some time past some of the beekeepers of Glengarry county have been considering the advisability of forming an association, so the chief promoters in the scheme issued invitations to the beekeepers of the county to meet at Alexandria for the purpose of organizing. We wrote to W. J. Brown, organiser for district No. 1, inquiring if he would be willing to come so far. The result was that we met in Alexandria for business on the 20th day of March, 1893. Mr. Brown was on hand ready for business, and the following gentlemen were present:—J. W. Calder, C. Alex. Dickson, Lancaster; J. Morrison, C. J. Dickson, Dunvegan; J. Tombs, Alexandria; D. W. Munro, Martintown; R. A. McDonald, Greenfield; D. McCuaig, Glenwhertson; G. J. McKimmon, Laggan.

The meeting was called to order, and after a few minutes the election of officers was next in order and resulted as follows:—J. W. Calder, president; Jas. Tombs, vice-president; Alexander Dickson, secretary-treasurer. The following were appointed directors:—D. W. Munro, D. McCuaig, J. N. McCrimmon, C. A. Dickson. We then had considerable discussion on the management of bees, the best means of curing honey and queen raising, the kind of hives to use. Questions were asked and answered, after which the association then adjourned till next meeting.

We expect to have more members to join us at our next meeting, and you will hear from us later.

Lancaster, March 27th, 1893.

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NEW BEEKEEPING PATENTS.

The following is the only patent issued to March 17th, 1893, from the United States Patent office, Washington. D. C.;—

Beehive, Lewis A. Aspinwall, Mich., assignor to the Aspinwall Manufacturing Company, same place.

Claim—1. The combination in a bee hive with the bottom and sides of the end pieces made lower than the sides, the movable frames having top bars that extend over, rest upon, and are supported by the said end pieces, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The combination in a bee hive with the bottom and sides of the end pieces made lower than the sides and with beveled or concaved edges, the movable frames having top bars that extend over, rest upon and are supported by the said end pieces, the beveled or concaved edges providing room for the fingers in lifting the frames, substantially as set forth.

3. The combination of a bee hive with the cover, of the follower board, the movable frames, and the metal pieces upon the respective upper corners of the frames, said metal pieces having ribs four upon their upper faces and upon which the cover in part rests, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

4. The combination in a bee hive with the cover of the movable frames carrying the combs, the metal pieces connected to the respective upper corners of the said frames and having wedge shaped corners three and ribs four, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

5. The combination with the cover and box in a bee-hive, of the wedge pieces within the box and near the corners of the same, movable frames for the combs set against such wedge pieces and thereby caused to assume an inclined position, and a follower board and means for pressing the same against the movable frames to confine them in place, substantially as set forth.

6. The combination in a bee hive of the wedge pieces secured to the side of the hive, movable frames having inclined end pieces the follower board and its ends inclined to the face of said board and bearing against the inclined end pieces substantially as set forth.

7. In a bee hive, the movable frames composed of the parallel top bars and lower bars the end pieces having parallel edges and standing at an inclination, and wedge shaped pieces within the hive, with faces at a corresponding inclination,