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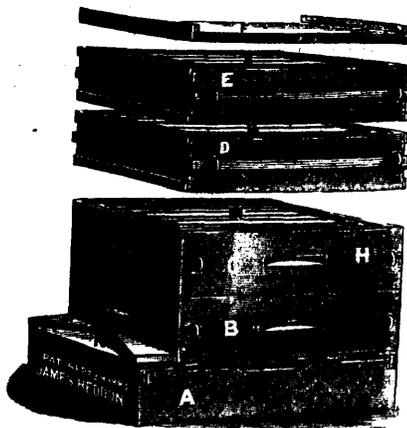
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## THE HEDDON HIVE.

PERHAPS some of our friends have been waiting patiently to see what we were going to have to say about the new "Heddon" hive, and it is surely time that we had "said our say." We have waited till we could get an engraving of the hive the better to illustrate it, and also till a sample hive which we had ordered should come from Dowagac—that the hive our friends in Canada should have might be the same in all particulars as the U. S. hive—and so there would be no guess-work on our part. It does take a long time to get anything out of customs somehow, they have so much red-tape to get through before they get to the goods you want. Well both engraving and hive are here—the former we present below, and the latter is now in the hands of our workmen as a sample from which a stock is being made. This hive has already created quite an excitement in the bee-keeping world, and there do not seem many who have strong objections to urge against its general utility, though there are those who claim that some of the claims connected with the patent have been anticipated by former patents on other hives; we have not made this particular thing a matter of very careful study, nor do we think it necessary. If the patent were taken for the purpose of procuring for the hive, or right of manufacture, an extortionate price, such a point then might be worthy careful consideration, but we do not for an instant ascribe such motives to the patentee. That the hive is possessed of good features, be they or not the combination of old ones makes no difference is evidenced by the demand for them which has already arisen, coming as it does from many of the best bee-keepers in the country. After giving the whole hive a most thorough examination we are satisfied that it embraces new features which will prove of great value to the bee-keeping fraternity.

The engraving gives a good idea of the hive. The brood-chamber is in two sections; also the surplus arrangement, which may be interchanged or inverted at will. The cover, bottom-board, and top and bottom of each sectional case has one half of a regular bee-space, so that the surplus cases with the sections may be placed between the two brood-chambers, or the latter may be trans-

posed or inverted—in fact all parts of this hive are perfectly interchangeable.



## THE INDIAN AND COLONIAL EXHIBITION.

OUR English friends are bound to show us Canadians that they are alive to the importance of the bee-keeper's pursuit.

As will be seen by the following extract they are also desirous of entertaining the Canadian representatives of the O. B. K. Association in some suitable manner. Another object in view is to make an exhibit of their own to show that "if favored with genial weather, the capabilities of England for honey producing are quite equal to all the demands which may be made upon them":—

"It was proposed, if possible, that the Exhibition should be held in the grounds of the Royal Horticultural Society while the Indian and Colonial Exhibition was in progress. The meeting showed great anxiety to prove to Canadian and other exhibitors that British bee-keepers were alive to the present importance of apiculture; and they felt that this proof would be afforded by having a thoroughly good exhibition representing the present position and capabilities of English bee-keepers. They also hoped to be able to have the opportunity of adopting some means of showing their cordiality towards foreign bee-keepers by inviting them to some social gathering,—a 'conversazione,' or in some other mode that might be afterwards determined upon."—*British Bee Journal*.

## COST OF TRANSPORTATION.

To remove any apprehensions about cost of transportation of honey to Kensington Exhibition next year, I herewith send copy of a letter just received. I had no doubts about the matter, but this is intended to set the whole