

to the matter of hotel rates. He writes: "I purpose obtaining accommodation in private families for all bee-keepers who prefer such to hotels." Members of the Union can learn in regard to hotel rates by

applying to the Secretary at the place of meeting. If known in time, hotel rates will be given in the bee periodicals.

A. MASON, Sec.

## Questions

How can I manage my bees to prevent feeding them in the fall of the year?

If you run your bees for extracted honey I do not think it makes any difference what size of hive you use, your brood chamber will generally be scant in the fall, but a 10 frame hive would contain more honey than an 8 frame hive. The problem that many bee-keepers have been trying to solve is how to get the honey stored in the supers and not in the brood chamber. In running for comb honey, I believe a 10 frame hive would always have sufficient stores below to winter, than an 8 frame hive generally will. I have used both. I am writing this now as of a good honey season.

WILL ELLIS.

If you have no fall honey flow in your locality, move your bees to where they can have access to a good flow, then do not extract from brood chambers.

WARRINGTON SCOTT.

This depends on the locality and nature of the honey flow. If you have no fall flow, I do not see how feeding can be avoided in some form or other, either by sugar or syrup or sealed stores saved from the early flow.

GEO. B. McCULLOCH,  
Harwood, Ont.

Don't take too much honey from them.

JOHN PIRIE,  
Drumquin, Ont.

Don't take away the honey which they store. If allowed to keep all they gather and yet they do not have enough for winter, then there must be something the matter with the locality, or the season, or the management. If all your colonies are short of stores, there must be a cause outside of yourself. If some of them only, per-

haps you allow them to swarm themselves poor.

EUGENE SECOR.

Either let them manage themselves—that is, let them keep all of the honey they gather—or move them to a neighborhood where there are large fields of buckwheat.

R. A. MARRISON,  
Inverary, Ont.

In locations where there is a buckwheat or fall flow bees usually gather sufficient honey for winter stores. Where there is no fall flow enough combs of honey may be reserved from the extracting supers, or in the case of very large hives, there is generally sufficient stores in the brood chamber, if it has not been disturbed.

R. H. SMITH.

The only way to accomplish this is to use full size brood departments to your hives, and be sure to leave sufficient stores for the bees when you take your surplus crop. I have all along favored this plan to avoid the fussy job of feeding. But others prefer to take the honey and sell it and feed back sugar syrup at less price.

G. W. DEMARCE,  
Christianburg, Ky.

See that they have stores enough before "the fall" comes. To give an intelligent answer would require a knowledge of your locality. Some localities, during some seasons will not furnish enough honey for the yearly needs of the bees.

DR. A. B. MASON.

I cannot answer the above satisfactorily, as I know nothing of the capacity of the hive you use, the nature and duration of your honey flow, nor your mode of management, all of which must be taken