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The Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, Some Possible will be at the Ontario Visitors. Bee-Keeper's Convention if he can spare time to attend. G. W. York, Editor American Bee Journal, Chicago, and E. R. Root, Editor Gleanings in Bee Culture, may also be with us. Let all come who can.

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Readers of the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, and particularly those who met Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Wm. Cowan, of England, when they were in Canada some years ago, will hear with regret and sorrow, that Mary H. M. Cowan, the eldest daughter, and Mr. Herbert F. Cowan, the second son, were passengers on board the ill-fated Atlantic liner *Morganian*, wrecked off the Cornish coast on Oct 14th, and that the lives of both were lost. We have a letter written by Mr. Cowan on board the *Etruria* on his way to New York, in which he stated that he intended to visit us on his way to California, but that now Mrs. Cowan, himself and a daughter will go direct to California to join a son who has been there for some time. We had been corresponding with Mr. Cowan and rather expected that he might appear at the coming convention of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association. From a private source we learn that the late Mr H. M. Cowan was preparing for missionary work in China and that both children met their end with Christian resignation. The

Parents "Sorrow not as those who have no hope."

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We have before us a Text Book—"Agriculture," by C. C. James, M. A., Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario. We have by C. C. James. known for some time that Prof. James had this work in hand and expected something good from his pen. The work is excellent, full of information of practical value to the farmer and his family. The subject of agriculture is also treated in such a way that those in the city will find food for pleasant thought in it. Chapter xxxvi gives many interesting facts on Bees. The work is a credit to the author and fills a place which has been vacant for some time.

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A very few are advocating that sections are best put upon the market with a certain amount of bee glue on them, because it looks more like the genuine article, and that which reminds them of the days gone by. We would willingly credit the source and author of the idea out it has slipped our memory. The above reminds me of an incident when out at Farmers' Institute work some years ago. The member of the Government deputation with me was very partial to milk, of which very little, even for tea and coffee, had been upon the table for some time (we were in a newer and colder part of the Province). One day for

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