

SUNDRY SELECTIONS.

MOVING BEES—TRANSFERRING.

A. CONSHAFTER.—Will you please inform me through your valuable BEE JOURNAL (1) when is the proper time to move bees five or six miles, also (2) the best time to transfer them from old hives to Simplicity hives.

Clarence, N.Y., Feb. 27, 1887.

(1) When the weather gets warm in the spring is the best time to move them
(2) We think the best time to transfer is during fruit bloom. *How to do it* we have explained many times in former numbers of the JOURNAL.

PROCURING INJUNCTIONS TO RESTRAIN BEE-KEEPERS FROM PURSUING THEIR VOCATION.

HOW MAY THIS BE DONE?

C. WURSTER.—I wrote you a few days ago about the Harrison case, but since then another conundrum has arisen, and I should like to have some explanation of our position. Since a precedent has been established, will it be possible for an ordinary *Justice of the Peace* in rural districts to grant injunctions to those applying for such to restrain their neighbors from keeping bees? If so, then, of course, it will be impossible to keep bees any longer, and the business, under such circumstances, will become almost extinct, for there are, under present circumstances, no limit prescribed as to where and how one might be allowed to keep them. Can it be possible that bee-keepers, as a body, will tolerate such an uncertain existence, and be subject to the whims of ill-disposed individuals. So long as the case is a jury case, and becomes an assize proceeding, accompanied with some little trouble and expense, to the complainant, it would, at least in rural districts, be a saving clause. Excuse my troubling you so much; of course you must expect to be the medium necessarily to be sought; we look to you for light. It would really appear as if keeping bees were now an unlawful business almost any where in this Canada of ours; is it not?

Klimburg, Ont., March 7, 1887.

We are inclined to think that to procure a "restrainer" it will be necessary to go before the assize court, but we must confess to being ignorant on the point as to speaking positively. Some of our Friendly bee-keepers of the legal persuasion, will surely enlighten us on the subject; now, Friends, in all sincerity and plainness *where* do the bee-keepers stand to-day. It can be proven that

bees a "half mile or more away" are a nuisance at certain seasons, and as such this precedent will cover bees "in the country" unless very far removed and in exceptional cases. What we must needs have before this matter can be settled is *special legislation*. If that legislation precludes the keeping of bees inside the limits of corporations as towns and villages, why we must "grin and bear it" but we cannot surely allow things to remain in their present state of unrest. There is "a good deal more truth than poetry" in the remarks of our Friend McKnight in another column, and we agree with him in the main. Isn't there just a little selfishness manifested by those who don't care what the result in this case will be.

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Our object in asking for the names of those who had honey still on hand was so that we could direct customers who desired to buy when our own supply was run out. Since inserting the item we have bought about 4,000 lbs. and we have ourselves about 1,000 lbs. yet on hand. As soon as it is sold, and it will be in a few days, we will, if a further supply does not come in refer to those whose names we have, accordingly as we received them.

SPAGNUM CUSHIONS FOR WINTERING.

Our readers will remember an item from Mr. J. P. Cockburn, on page 762 of the JOURNAL. He now says: The "Spagnum" made in cushions large enough to fill the upper story of the Jones Hive, which makes the best and warmest protection I have yet seen. I keep the cover on, and my bee room at 28° 35° in which bees keep in the best of condition; at this heat I have no sickly brood to bring out to be in the way of regular stock." In localities where this can be had we should advise a trial. We will have friend C. send us enough for a trial for another winter.

ANOTHER USE FOR HONEY.

Talking about felons, did you ever have one? If not, try one and see what you think of it. The junior editor of this JOURNAL is afflicted with one on the third joint of the little finger of the right