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The labels for glass bottles, of which we sent out over 1500 sets of samples, are generally admired, and we are getting lots of orders. We will have pleasure in sending samples to all those who have not received them.

We publish this week over 8000 copies of the Canadian Bee Journal, and we have had to work hard to do it, too. Our boys worked all one night to get through with the rush, and the neighbors next door didn't get much sleep, with the noise of our big press.

THE BUSY BEE.

Is the title of a neat little eight page paper gotten up by Rev. E. T. Abbott, Supt. Bee Department of the St. Joseph Exposition, St. Joseph, Mo., designed for distribution to visitors to the exposition, who are, or may be, interested in bees. Friend A. deserves credit for the very hearty interest he takes in our favorite pursuit.

THE KANSAS BEE-KEEPER.

We learn that the Kansas Bee-Keeper has ceased to exist under that name, and that hereafter it will appear as an amalgamation of the Texas Bee Journal. We are sorry that Friend Scovell has found it necessary to discontinue his publication, but we believe it was not a paying speculation.

The personel of the firm of A. J. King & Co., New York, publishers of the Bee-Keeper's Magazine, has been changed by the retirement of Mr. A. J. King, who has for years been the editor of that Journal. Messrs. John Aspinwall and W. B. Treadwell constitute the new firm. We extend them our best wishes.

The Ontario Bee-keepers meet in convention in the City Hall, Toronto, on Thursday evening, Sept. 10th, at, we presume, about 7.30 or eight o,clock. It is to be hoped that there will be a large attendance, as important matters will come up for discussion. There will also be sessions on Friday, either forenoon or afternoon, and in the evening. We expect so at any rate, as that has been the custom in former years.

SUNDRY SELECTIONS.

WINTER STORES.

W. Dickson, Linden Vale, Ont.—Which do you consider best for winter stores for bees, good sealed honey, granulated sugar syrup, or a mixture of syrup and honey?

We consider that good sealed sugar syrup has no superior. Good honey is alright. When they have not sufficient honey stores, sugar syrup may be added. If the bees are properly put into winter quarters either of them will make wintering a success.

HOW TO PREPARE WINTER STORES.

How do you prepare sugar syrup to prevent crystalization in the cells?

We merely bring it to the boil for five minutes, feeding it to the bees without adding any drugs, and having wintered thousands of colonies in that way we cannot see the necessity of making patent medicine out of bee-feed. Granulation has never troubled us.

FEEDING.

How early in the Fall should it be fed?

As soon as the honey harvest fails the feeding should be done that it may be sealed up, well ripened, and the bees be clustered for winter before cold.

EXTRACTING AND FEEDING.

Is it advisable to extract all honey and feed syrup for winter stores when honey is selling at 15 cents and granulated sugar at $8\frac{1}{2}$?

If the honey harvest closes early and the bees were not fed, they would go into winter quarters with all old bees and brooding would stop after the honey harvest failed; then if you extract at the end of the season you would have room to feed them sugar syrup liberally, keeping them brooding much longer.

The Wabash County Bee-keepers' Convention will meet in G. A. R. Hall, no. 6 East Main st. North Manchester, Ind., Oct. 10, 1885. All beekeepers are earnestly requested to be present.

J. J. Martin, Sec.

Mount Forest Bee-keepers convention, will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Mount Forest, Sept. 23rd, at 2.30 p. m.

J. H. Davison, Secretary.