

this belonged to the producer. But what about the 20 points for display? As the honey was put up in fancy cases and arranged by the exhibitor, this portion surely must belong to the exhibitor and was counted as 20 points for display. It seems to me that there is not much British fair-play in that way of putting two against one.

In the writer's concluding remarks he states that his relations with his fellow-exhibitors have been very agreeable, with one exception. Probably you are all aware who he is alluding to. Probably there is no producer of honey more pleased than I was when I read this and discovered that I was not classed with the "bonâ fide bee-keepers," but as a simple producer of honey!

It appears I am always doing something wrong. I sold nearly four thousand pounds to a bee-keeper at Guelph, and because he exhibited it as a "bonâ fide bee-keeper" I was accused of beating the Exhibition Board. I wish to make a suggestion to those "bonâ fide bee-keepers." Go to the committee on honey exhibits and have the prize list changed so that it will prohibit D. Anguish from exhibiting or selling honey to any one to exhibit at Toronto Fair as long as any of us "bonâ fide bee-keepers" exhibit!

My intention is to produce as good a honey as I can, both for exhibitions and for table use. I find by so doing we never have any trouble in getting rid of it at fancy prices. And as for exhibitions, my intention is to follow them up and always exhibit my own honey, and if the prize list reads as it does now I will sell my honey to whoever I see fit. I do not want to be accused of doing wrong because I have followed the prize list rules, for that is all an exhibitor has to govern himself by. All exhibitors should study the rules of the prize list and then they would not be running to the directors and finding fault when there are no grounds for complaint.

D. ANGUISH.

Evergreen Park, Lambeth, Ont.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Would you help a beginner by giving some information as to bee-keeping? First, at what time of the year should one buy their colonies (say, one or two colonies)? What are the absolutely necessary supplies needed for one or two colonies? Have you any addresses of bee-keepers in British Columbia where one could obtain good supplies?

If you would answer these questions you would more than oblige.

V. CARTWRIGHT.

British Columbia.

Reply

1. In the spring, about 1st of May to the 24th.

2. If worked for extracted honey you would require two supers for each hive, of 8 or 10 frames, according to the size of the hive purchased. Each frame to have full sheets of foundation, nicely wired. If worked for comb honey, two or three comb honey supers for each hive. If worked for both extracted and comb honey, then half and half of each. For the first two years we would advise that you work for extracted honey. By that time you will get well acquainted with your bees, and obtain some theoretical knowledge of comb honey. You will also need a smoker and a bee veil, also some kind of an extractor to take the honey from the combs without destroying them. Get "A B C on Bee Culture," and, last but not least, take the Canadian Bee Journal.

3. We know of no supply dealers in British Columbia, unless the Ham & Not Company of Brantford, Ont., have agents there. We will ask them to write you. Let us know your winter conditions, and we will advise you as to how to take them successfully through the first winter. This is important.—Ed.

Kindly send me some information regard to the culture of bees, as I am going to introduce bee culture among my tenants.

A. McCULLOCH,

Mayor.

Thorold, Ont., Feb. 17, 1909.

In a short space it is impossible to tell you all that would be of importance. Bee-keeping can only be learned by ex-

perience with you get started. Get from two to a you can with the book "A B a good bee you the first of May tical man to st the internal pa with its techni you read you meant. Start swarms are unc some men say: shape: They ha are likely to sw are not bee-ke "keep" bees, bu difficult for n start your tenar t like ducks to pelled. Select tive among th e you select two With a little goo ttle reading and should succee! a to know the q torker bee, and t each. A good warming during ening of clove more room—enlar this must be done nly be done with colonies can keep arm. There are and rights during t take care of tl all brood) witho mod-nest is chille they will die. Th e-keeper who wa n bees breed, bree dle of March (c ill the opening of the general wh ay have a large ar e object in view me. Bees do not ther it. Therefore thers. Sometime times prolonged. re as to this, as al er conditions. Yo are great indirect b ey will make your ds more producti are made a study of that this is the ch the honey it gat reward. Owing to try, it gathers m