

keepers' Association has arranged to send to the Exhibition a large supply of honey, as soon as the season's crop comes in. Inquiries are already frequent at the Exhibition for some representation of the products of Canadian bee-keeping, it being known to occupy an important place among Canadian industries. It is thought that the exhibit will arrive in England about September.

At the late show of the Royal Agricultural Society at Norwich, Eng., it was required that all sections shown for prizes should be of a uniform size— $4\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ —thus showing that they were desirous of establishing a standard size in England. This is one of the ways of doing it, and a very good one.

The value of honey imported into the United Kingdom amounted as follows:—May, 1886, 1,541l.; June, 1886 2,900l.; as taken from the Statistic office Returns, supplied through E. H. Bellairs, Esq., (Wingfield House, Christchurch, Hants, to the *British Bee Journal*.

A cor. in the *British Bee Journal* says of strawberries and cream:—At this season of the year this is one of the most delicious dishes one can have. Sugar is generally used to sweeten and bring out the flavor of the strawberries, but if new honey is used instead of the sugar, it will be found a great improvement.

The Christian church at Harmony, Ill., has been inhabited by bees for a number of years. The bees took up their abode in the wall behind the pulpit and became so numerous that the church had to be closed. A crowd collected the other day, and ripped the siding off from foundation to roof, and found that the bees had deposited their honey in the wall between the studding, which were two inches wide and six inches apart, that space being completely filled with honey to the height of sixteen feet. The honey was carried away in wash tubs and pails and divided among the neighbors.

The following original paragraphs are contributed to the C. B. J.

Where did the bee-stow its honey?

Did the honey comb the bee's hair?

In dividing a colony, where does each division board?

Give a writer but a small section of a story as a starter and he can frame an ap(i)arently superior tale from that foundation.

Does a bee pay his debts when he wax up?

It's warm work for bees clustering on a tree.

Candyly speaking, it is a Good thing for a Cook to have a massive Heddon his shoulders,

so as to get at the Root of the questions. A New-man can Doolittle but follow the Quinby (queen-bee) in her Gallups.

When assistants are putting cotton on the hives, are they attending quilting bees?

The bee was the original honey extractor.

Does the editor of the BEE JOURNAL give his bees a free puff when using the smoker?

High bred bees are generally cross customers.

A medical bee-master has declared that wax is cellular tissue.

When feeding sugar, bees get their stores syraptitiously.

Speaking of covers for the Langstroth hive, the editor says in the *Bee Hive*: If the sheet-iron covers were painted white, they would not absorb quite so much heat, although they would, even then, draw more heat than wood covers; but it is worth all the extra trouble and expense to have them tight. Two years ago we had two combs melt down, and for no other reason than having the hive painted brown. Dark colors absorb more heat than light ones.

The lofty wooden spires of the churches in Mattoon, Ill., have been pierced in hundreds of places by woodpeckers looking for food or for places for nests. The holes in the Methodist church steeple became so unsightly that a man was employed to shoot the birds. Then bees took up their abode within, and their honey drips from the holes and smears the steeple. The Congregational church steeple is well filled with honey, and so are steeples in neighboring towns. Six swarms of bees were seen to quit the spire of a Paxton church in one day.

Turpentine is highly recommended as a cure for bee stings. One thing is certain, its application will do no harm, if it does no good. It is also used to drive away ants from about the house, and has this in its favor that bees do not seem to dislike it as they do coal oil.

W. O. Brockham went to guard his hives from robbers. His son did the same. Each thought the other a thief and both fired. Each was probably fatally wounded. This took place at Huntsville, Mo., Aug. 8.

Death from bee stings is an unusual incident. At Ludlow, however, on Tuesday, Mr. John Adney, formerly Mayor of that place, was stung so severely by a swarm of bees in his garden that he died almost immediately. It is a curious fact that perhaps the most formidable attack by bees on record, and one which attracted considerable attention at the time, occurred in Prussia on the same day of the same month 65 years