



"THE GREATEST POSSIBLE GOOD TO THE GREATEST POSSIBLE NUMBER."

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EDITORIAL.

WHAT shall be the the national flower of the United States? This question was first brought before the public at the recent session of the Society of American Florists in New York. Some one proposes that the golden-rod shall be the chosen emblem of nationality. The claims made for this flower are that it is national in the wide range of its growth, accommodating itself to almost any circumstances, in the pasture, in the meadow, in the roadside, or by the stream.—*Lewiston Journal*.

Aluminium is one of the metals that are practically non-corrosive and recent improvements in its manufacture have made the price so little more than zinc that its use is suggested in lieu of that metal in apiary supplies. "Amateur Expert" imagines that it would not be so readily propolisised as zinc.

Store your honey in a warm, dry place. Honey of good consistency is appreciated by the consumer.

There is an active demand for honey, but apiarists seem loth to part with their surplus, except at fair figures, and this is as it should be.

A correspondent suggests "an improvement on the hives in common use."

Said improvement consists of a hinged cover with a narrow hinged strip along the centre to act as a foot or support whilst the frames are uncovered for examination. What he would do when it was desirable to place supers on the hive, is not stated.

At the Toronto Exhibition we had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Henry F. Moore, agricultural editor of the *London Times* and editor of *Bell's Messenger*. He is visiting Ontario and the North West and on his return will pen a series of articles thereon.

CONDENSED CURRENCY.

A DIGEST OF ARTICLES APPEARING IN OTHER PERIODICALS.

FOR getting bees out of sections Dr. Miller uses a miniature bee tent of mosquito netting, made so the four legs or rods will rest on the sections whilst the edges of the netting cover the sides and prevent robbing. At the apex is a small opening or "bee-escape." The supers are piled up, a tent pitched on top and the bees seek other quarters whilst the apiarist busies himself elsewhere. He describes it fully in *Gleanings*.

In *Gleanings* Mr. G. M. Doolittle complains that questions are asked by beemen which could be answered by reference to any of the books on apicul-