

of the honey crop for that year would be about two and one-half million dollars. If we had a race of stingless bees, the value of the crop would soon be doubled, for many would be induced to go into the business of bee keeping who are now deterred by fear of the stings or who live in thickly settled villages, and hesitate to keep bees for fear that their neighbors will consider their pets a nuisance. Even in the oldest and most thickly settled States the number of bees could easily be doubled without exhausting the honey supply; and in suitable places, by planting special crops, there is no limit to the amount of honey which could be produced. Some may argue that an increased supply of honey would mean lower prices, and that since it is not easy to find a market for the present supply, it would not be possible to dispose of a larger quantity; but experience shows that as the supply of any article of food increases, the demand always keeps pace with the supply. In the memory of men who are not yet very old, it was formerly very difficult to find a market for tomatoes, but I remember a few years ago talking with a farmer who was then preparing a load of tomatoes for market, and he remarked that it was at that time easier to sell a waggon load of tomatoes than when he first began to raise them to sell a peck. The reason why it is difficult to sell honey is that people generally have not learned to use it. Eight ounces per year for each person in the United States seems a very small quantity, but I presume that a large percentage even of that quantity is sold through the drug houses for medicinal purposes.

I have described what I believe is "the coming bee," and it seems to me that there is nothing impossible or unreasonable in the ideas advanced. If a proper amount of enterprise is shown, I see no reason why we should have to wait many years before the ideal is realized, because breeders are now beginning to understand the science of breeding and are giving up the old haphazard methods, and, therefore progress is certain to be much more rapid than it has been in the past.—*American Apiculturist*.

Prizes at the Industrial.

BELOW we give a list of the prizes awarded at the Great Industrial Fair, Toronto. We were prevented from being on the ground for more than a short time this week, and as we have so much matter for the Journal, we thought we would delay a fuller description of the honey exhibit till next issue.

The committee consisted of the following gentlemen: R. McKnight, F.A. Gemmell and Geo. Vair.

CLASS 88.

Sec. 1. Best display of 100 lbs. of extracted granulated honey in glass.—1st, George Laing, Milton, \$10; 2nd, R.H. Smith. Bracebridge, \$6; 3rd, W. Alford, Ottawa, \$4.

2. Best display of 500 lbs of liquid extracted of which not less than 250 lbs. must be in glass, quality to be considered.—1st.—R.H. Smith, \$20; 2nd, E.L. Goold & Co., Brantford, \$15; 3rd J. B. Hall, Woodstock, \$10.

3. Best display of 500 lbs of comb honey, in sections—quality to be considered.—1st, J. B. Hall, \$25; E.L. Goold & Co., \$80; 3rd, George Laing, \$12.

4. Best display of 20 lbs. of comb honey in sections—quality to be considered that is to say, clean sections and well filled.—1st, J.B.Hall, \$10; 2nd, R.H. Smith, \$6; 3rd, Geo. Laing, \$4.

5. Best display of 100 lbs. of extracted liquid linden honey in glass, quality considered.—1st, Geo. Laing, \$8; 2nd, E. L. Goold & Co., \$5; 3rd, J. B. Hall, \$3.

6. Best display of 100 lbs. of ex. liquid clover honey in glass, quality considered.—1st, E. L. Goold & Co., \$8; 2nd, J. B. Hall, \$5; 3rd, R. H. Smith, \$3.

7. Best beeswax, not less than 10 lbs. (manufacturers of comb foundation excluded).—1st, George Laing, \$6; 2nd, R. H. Smith, \$4; 3rd, W. Alford, \$2.

8. Best foundation for brood chambers.—1st, E. L. Goold & Co., \$3.

9. Best foundation for sections.—1st, E. L. Goold & Co., \$3.

10. Best aparian supplies.—1st, E. L. Goold & Co., silver medal and \$10.

11. Best style and assortment of glass for retailing extracted honey.—1st, E L. Goold & Co., silver medal.

12. Best section super for top storey and system of manipulating, product to be exhibited in super as left by the bees.—1st, J. B. Hall, \$3; 2nd, Geo. Laing, \$2; 3rd, E. L. Goold & Co. \$1.

13. Best and most practical new invention for the apiarist, never shown before at this Exhibition, 1st, E. L. Goold & Co., \$8; 2nd, J. B. Hall, \$5; 3rd, R.H. Smith, \$3; 4th, E.L.Goold, \$2.

14. Largest and best variety of domestic uses to which honey may be put, prepared by the exhibitor or a member of his household, illustrated by samples of the different things into which it enters as a component; for example, say one or two samples each in canned fruits, cakes, pastry, meats, vinegar, etc.—1st, R. H.