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When this appears it is safe to assume that the queen should be superseded at the first opportunity.

Q.—Is the valley of the Fraser River, British Columbia, suitable or otherwise, for bee-keeping, and for marketing honey—H. W., Berkshire, England.

A.—I am not aware that many are engaged in bee-keeping in the Fraser River valley. The Fraser River drains a great extent of country with quite a variation of climate. Near the mouth of the river a great deal of rain falls, especially during the winter months. I would expect there would be many sheltered locations some distance up the river that would be suitable for bee-keeping. Judging from the high price of honey in British Columbia the market should be good.

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