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EDITORIAL.

THE Bulletin on foul brood, which the Minister of Agriculture so generously undertook to have printed for distribution, to bee-keepers throughout the province, is almost ready for mailing. The envelopes are now being addressed at this office, and at least 5000 copies can be mailed immediately the bulletins come from the printer. The balance will be sent out as fast as the names can be classified, and the envelopes addressed.

It may be news to many that there are probably not more than a score of bee-keepers in the United Kingdom who have a hundred colonies or over. At least this is the statement made by a correspondent in the *British Bee Journal*.

At the last monthly meeting of the Committee of the British Bee Keepers' Association, the chief subject of discussion was the prevalence of foul brood. Statistics are to be obtained, and an effort made to procure an interview with the President of the Board of Agriculture.

We have just had a pleasant visit from Mr. Charles E. Parks, of Watertown, Wis., one of the firm of G. B. Lewis & Co., whose factory was recently destroyed by fire. Mr. Parks has been in correspondence with us some time with reference to taking hold of a basket-box, recently invented, and patented by that gentleman, and his trip here was for the purpose of definitely arranging the matter, which was done. We will have a machine here in the course of a week or ten days, when we will at once commence the manufacture of these boxes, and all future shipments of beehives will be made in them. There is no question but that for all classes of light and bulky goods these boxes will come into immediate requisition, and the saving in charges on the weight of the box itself will be a very heavy item in the course of a year. As an instance, the box we now use to ship ten hives in, weighs 45 lbs., while a basket-box of the same dimensions will only weigh 15 lbs. They are just as durable, in fact we believe they will stand even more rough usage than a box of § in. material.

An excellent little book is that just issued by the American Public Health Association, entitled "Practical Sanitary and Economic Cooking, adapted to Persons of Moderate and Small Means," by Mrs. Mary Hinman Abel, which obtained the \$500 prize given by Henry Lomb, of Rochester, N. Y.