

College, Guelph. A "foul brood" conference will also be held during the same week, at which Dr. Phillips, of Washington, is expected to be present. The gathering promises to be of a most unique and interesting character and it is hoped that there will be a good attendance. Full particulars will be announced in the C.B.J. in due course.

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We learn from the "British Bee Journal" how foul brood has been exterminated in Belgium. Some years ago in 1896, energetic steps were taken to get rid of the disease, and it was decided to destroy by burning every colony having foul brood, as being the only safe method of ridding the country from this plague. An insurance society was started for compensating those whose hives were destroyed. The editor of the "Rucher Belge," writing to Mr. Cowan on the subject, states that "the insurance society worked with great success for six years. At the end of this time foul brood was exterminated, so that we no longer have to pay any subscription to this society. It paid for and burned all hives having foul brood in more than twenty districts. All the members of the Société d'Apiculture du Bassin de la Meuse were insured. The bee-keepers' society paid the insurance society 50 centimes (10 cents Canadian currency) per member, which amounted to from 700 to 800 francs a year, (\$135 to \$155), the government and the provinces making grants of several hundred francs in addition. If foul brood were to re-appear the bee-keepers' society would again subscribe to the insurance society, so that the latter could indemnify bee-keepers whose hives were destroyed, just as it had done before." There are several well-known Canadian bee-keepers who insist that the only remedy for foul brood is to be found in the complete destruction of bees, comb and hives. In view of the headway the disease appears

to be making here, we submit the foregoing to the notice of Canadian bee-keepers generally.

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Bee-keepers who attended the Brantford convention, please note! At a meeting of the North Otago (New Zealand) Bee-keepers' Association, held recently, the McEvoy treatment was endorsed as one that gave the greatest benefit. "A prophet is not without honor, save, etc." etc."

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Dr. Miller in his rejoinder to our note re elimination of swarming desire says: "The colonies that gave me record crops are the very ones from which the swarming desire has been eliminated for one or more years." We had been attaching quite a different meaning to the word "eliminate."

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Just after our article on "Bees and Immunity to Disease" had been sent to press, we received the 41st Annual Report of the National Bee-keepers' Association from which is taken the subjoined extract from a talk on foul brood treatment delivered before the convention by Mr. Charles Stewart:

"Another fact I want to emphasize, and that is, the strain of the Italians; they vary greatly as to vitality and vigor in cleaning up disease. The head inspector for Canada has just been discussing that thing "on the side"; and you will find some strains of bees are almost immune to this disease. The assertion has been made in this state, by a man hired to come here and attend our institutes that he believed a strain of bees could be bred that are practically immune to foul brood. Whether this may be so or not, I am not prepared to say, but certain it is, that some strains are almost entirely immune. So that you should use considerable care in selecting a strong, vigorous strain of Italians. This in connection with the shak-

ing treatment * * * see note for the eradication that is, so far as it is a crop."

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The assertion has been in cultural papers could they preach, but the and Home Magazine has its convictions. Faith works is the kind that proof to the doubting earnestly in this principle have followed up the of orchard demonstration a farm of 135 acres, in London, where the method through that paper will practice, and where not tested before being in general adoption. The known locally as the c The rolling land, while has been worked out as weeds till it has become the best farm in the County. The barns are dilapidated down. Altogether it presents an opportunity for such to be accomplished in restoration property. The managing Farmers' Advocate will be superintending it with the a competent working force

This is not to be an exception incidentally, no farm save in so far as a farm should be a model, a farm run on a straight course where strict accounts with the information published at the time. "Good farming with the motto. We wish Messrs success in their venture.

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It was resolved by the assembled at the recent Convention: "that the proposed Treaty in regard to ho-