

comb, queen - excluding honey - boards being necessary.

9. The queen can be found more readily, there being no spaces between the edges of the comb and the frame in which she can hide.

10. The great advantage to the derived from its use, one of more value than all the others combined, is that the hive furnished with this comb may be used as a swarmer or a non-swarmer, as desired.

In addition to this, says Mr. Aspinwall "should it prove to be a perfect non-swarmer, the success of bee-keeping will not necessarily depend upon its being conducted as a specialty; but with non-swarmer hives, a hundred colonies of bees can quite readily be handled in connection with some other pursuits. Of course I refer to a non-swarmer without manipulation. We can succeed in that direction at present by excessive manipulation, which of course will not pay."

As it is impossible for bees to rear drones in these combs, Mr. Aspinwall reasons that as they will not swarm without drones, they will not swarm at all.

We shall watch this invention with interest, and keep our readers posted as to its progress.—*American Bee Journal.*

SUNDRY SELECTIONS.

J. R. BELLAMY—There is one suggestion I will venture to make, and it is this, that the delegates attending the International convention should bring with them samples of both comb and extracted honey that we may see and taste honey from all parts of America. I think by so doing we will all be better judges of honey afterwards, and the convention could appoint judges to judge said honey first. Say each had one or two pounds. Some who do not attend should send their samples, and the retail price should be marked on each sample which will be a benefit.

Black Bank, Nov. 1st, 1889.

Although the publishers have not yet made any announcement of it the orders for the Christmas number of the *Montreal Star*, both from dealers and private citizens, are larger than ever before at the same time of the year. The Christmas *Star* this year is said to be the loveliest Holiday Pictorial ever issued from the press. The publishers have requested dealers to exercise the greatest care in seeing that all the beautiful supplements are delivered with each and every number, and to report any cases where vendors sell the supplements separately. The orders booked for the *Montreal Christmas Star* this year augur an immense demand.

You can make money with little effort by taking advantage of our special offers and inducing neighbors to subscribe.

Send five cents for samples of our lithographed and other honey labels. It pays to have your packages bear your name and address. Honey tastily labelled finds ready sale.

Read our special premium offer and go to work.

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

12 CENTS PER POUND FOR EXTRACTED.

For No. 1 extracted honey, put up and shipped us in 60 pound tins—we will pay 12c. per lb, delivered at Beeton, payment to be made in any kind of supplies wanted at prices marked in our catalogue. This is the most we have offered for honey in a wholesale way for years.

DISCOUNTS FOR GOODS WANTED FOR NEXT SEASON.

We will allow a discount off the prices of all goods as found in our catalogue, when it is stated that they are for next season's use, to the extent of 10 per cent. This, of course will not apply to tins, labels and such goods as may yet be used this season. We have a large stock of most everything on hand, and we can ship with promptness all orders. The object in giving this discount is to encourage winter trade, and it will last only during our pleasure.

60 POUND TINS AND STRONG HANDLES.

We find that our tinsmith, without our knowledge has been making the handles of these tins too light, much too slender for the weight which each one has to carry. One or two complaints reached us during the Fair at Toronto, and we have at once removed the defect. The handle as it has been put on, will lift all right if it is not wrenched or jerked, but it will not stand rough handling. We shall not likely have any more complaints from this date.

CONVENTION NOTICES

The International Bee Keepers Association will meet in the court-house, at Brantford, Ont. on Dec. 4, 5, and 6, 1889. All bee-keepers are invited to attend, and State and District bee-keepers societies are requested to appoint delegates to the convention. Full particulars of the meeting will be given in due time. Anyone desirous of becoming a member and receiving the last annual report bound, may do so by forwarding \$1. to the secretary.—R. F. HOTTERMANN, Sec., Romney, Ont. Canada.

There will be a special general meeting of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association at Brantford on the 4th 5th and 6th of December in connection with and in the same place as the International Bee-keepers Association. All members are respectfully requested to attend. W. Couse, Sec., O. B. K. A.

To Our Subscribers.

THE special announcement which appeared in our columns some time since, announcing a special arrangement with Dr. J. B. KENDALL Co., of Enosburgh Falls, Vt., publishers of "A Treatise on the horse and his diseases," whereby our subscribers were enabled to obtain a copy of that valuable work free by sending their address (and enclosing a two-cent stamp for mailing same) is renewed for a limited period. We trust all will avail themselves of the opportunity of obtaining this valuable work. To every lover, of the horse it is indispensable, as it treats in a simple manner all the diseases afflicting this noble animal. Its phenomenal sale throughout the United States and Canada, make it standard authority. Mention this paper when writing for "Treatise."