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EDITORIAL NOTES.

We saw some "chunk honey" in glass at the Toronto Exhibition but it did not seem to detract from the beautiful piles of white comb and pyramids of extracted that were there.

If "York County Bee Keeper" would send Prof. Shutt of Ottawa a sample of the Honey Dew of which he speaks in this issue we are sure the Prof. would be pleased to give it his attention in connection with the work he has on hand for the Ontario Bee Keepers Association.

Friend A. Boomer, of Linwood, whose loss by fire we referred to in our last issue, writes us as follows:—

Editor C. B. J.—Yes, I was unfortunate enough to get my dwelling and part of the contents destroyed by fire on the morning of July 27th, one end of my extracting room was burnt out but we saved most of the honey and combs. I was modestly well insured so that my loss is not likely to cripple or discourage me. I am in my 73 year but have been able to manage

my apiary of some 85 colonies spring count, with little or no hired help. The honey crop was very good considering the remarkably cool season, so cool and cloudy that I have had difficulty in getting my cappings through the Solar Extractor, and in fact have had to hold them over and have still a quantity on hand. My returns will be about 10,000 lbs.

Yours,

A. Boomer.

Market Prices of Honey.

It is a very difficult matter to give definite information to enquiries about the "market price" of honey. When at Toronto last week we heard of deliveries having been made in that city as low as six cents a pound for first-class extracted. Glad to say that this was not a common occurrence but a sufficient hint that Toronto is not needing extracted honey very badly at present. We were informed of shipments to other centres where prices ranged as high as 8 cents, but figures between these two were more common. First-class comb, \$1.35 to \$1.50; fancy, \$1.75.

But why all this rush? Would it not be much better for those having honey to dispose of to quietly take in the situation and wait until stocks begin to move. Eastern Ontario is not overloaded if the following is taken as a fair specimen:

"Please advise me what to do with my bees, which have but little or no honey. I have 107 colonies and 50 of them are young swarms, the best of which are not heavy enough for winter. I took off about 400 lbs. of clover honey and those hives have