

not ignore that. On the other hand, we should not ignore the scientific investigation; the two should go hand in hand. I would be strongly in favor of Mr. McEvoy and Prof. Harrison carrying on experiments this coming season in that direction, and if money is needed to do it, they should be paid for their work, I don't believe the Inspector of Apiaries is getting as much as he should. He should have more, in order that he may be justified in devoting more time to that work.

As far as the question of foul brood being transmitted through comb foundation is concerned, that was an experiment which, with the sanction of the Ontario government, I carried on one year. Prof. Harrison supplied culture for the bacteria, and that was put into the comb foundation and melted under as low a temperature as possible, and sheeted and put into the hive. The disease did not break out that season, and as far as I know it never did break out. But I ceased carrying on that line of experimentation for the government and what became of the foundation I don't know; it was lost track of. I have felt I would like to see that experiment repeated. I know Prof. Harrison has secured a growth out of the wax but practical experience would appear to indicate to us it is not transmitted.

Mr. Heise—Mr. Holtermann has intimated that a deep realization of the danger of the disease should be an incentive, and I believe it will be, leading up to its extermination. If it is possible that the disease is transmitted by bees from a diseased colony visiting blossoms there is a danger there that possibly many of us have never realized and besides that it is a medium over which the bee-keeper has absolutely no control, making it so much more dangerous.

Amendments to By-laws.

The report of the committee appoint-

ed to amend the by-laws of the Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association was taken up at this stage and considered. The president read the proposed amendment to sec. 4: "The board of management shall consist of the president, vice-president and five directors, and they shall appoint from among themselves an executive committee of three, and they shall elect from among their number or otherwise a secretary-treasurer."

The president also read the proposed amendment to section 8, as follows:

"It shall be the duty of the president to preside at all meetings of the association to call for reports, to put motions when seconded, to decide upon questions of order, and to declare the result of ballots and elections.

"The president shall also, as long as the foul brood demands it, direct the inspector or sub-inspectors, in accordance with the act, for the Suppression of Foul Brood Among Bees.

"The president shall also file all letters in connection with his duties as president of the Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association; also keep a copy of the letters sent out in said capacity, and hand the same to his successor in office

"The executive shall have power to call all special meetings when necessary.

The president shall be ex-officio chairman of the board of directors, and call it together when necessary."

Mr. Dickenson thought that it would be a mistake to curtail the board of directors; that if this was done larger districts would have to be made or the directors taken from some one part of the province might be the result which would mean centralization, which he did not think would be in the interests of the Association; that he would be in favor of extending rather than curtailing the board.

Mr. Evans thought that the large board of directors such as they at