



"THE GREATEST POSSIBLE GOOD TO THE GREATEST POSSIBLE NUMBER."

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## EDITORIAL.

WE have several communications bearing on the late Law-suit, but as we have a surplus of other good practical matter, we will lay them over for a time till we get more room at our disposal.

We must apologise, for allowing a question asked by Mr. J. K. Darling some time since to go unanswered so long. It was unintentionally overlooked. He says:—

"I see by the dailies and by the C. B. J. that there was no director appointed for this District (No. 2). There must have been a mistake somewhere, as the County of Lanark alone, has a large number of bee-keepers, and some of these have apiaries of more than 100 colonies. Would like an explanation in the colonies of the BEE JOURNAL."

You forgot to say whether any of the bee-keepers of your district were members of the O. B. K. A. because, if not, of course you could not have representation on the Directorate. If there are any bee-keepers in your county or in any of the counties composing district No. 2, who have since become members, the Directors, may, if we mistake not, appoint one of them as a representative on their board for the balance of the year.

The Lambton Association are nothing if they are not cautious. While they

would like to see the O. B. K. A. handle Canadian honey in the English market, still they prefer to know just about what they are going to realize for it, which goes just another step to prove the truth of our prophecy, that the bulk of Canadian bee-keepers prefer to sell outright, rather than take "pot-luck" for it.

### THE ALPAUGH QUILT.

AT the Toronto Industrial Exhibition, last Fall, Mr. Jacob Alpaugh, of St. Thomas, had with him a style of quilt and honey-board combined, which caught the eye of a good many of the bee-keeping visitors. Friend A. entered it as "the latest and best invention" and the judges thought it worthy of the first prize. The principal objection is the cost, but that is an item, which, if a thing is really worthy, does not long stand in the way of its finding a market. We have had an engraving made of the quilt, that those who have not seen it may have a better idea of it. Friend A. sent along with it, at our request, a description, also the good qualities which he claims for it. He says:—

"I express you one of my quilts. I have made 150 new ones this year, and the one you will receive is one of them. It is all complete with the exception of one thing; that is, the cloth needs one or two coats of oil to keep the bees from eating holes in it. The ends are chamfered off so that the saw-dust cushion will fit down good and tight, when on the hive. It is