

or even the Judges. This tardiness in getting displays in place is sanctioned by the Exhibition officers by permitting it, and as long as this is done by them, the judges would in all probability not be able to count upon any result even should the delay be reported at head quarters. The only good result we can hope to reach through the discussion of this question, is an enforcement of the rules another year.

As the C. B. J. says it is impossible to have Bee-Keepers' supplies judged without explanations being taken from exhibitors an undue amount of it may be permitted, especially when defects in competitors exhibits are permitted to be shown as we have seen at some exhibitions. When explanations have to be permitted it is a difficult matter to draw a line.

### SUNDRY ITEMS.

The Southern Fair held in the City of Brantford, Oct. 11th and 12th, is to be complimented upon its progressive spirit in the Apiarian Department at least. The list for competition in prizes reads as follows :

Best 5 pounds of Honey in comb, \$1.00.

" 5 " " Strained honey, \$1.00.

One dollar must be paid into the association before one can compete for prizes.

The show of honey at Cayuga, Haldimand Co., was very poor. This district produces a very fine quality of honey, but the dry season made the crop an almost total failure. For extracted, D. Anguish, Mohawk, secured first prize. The first prize for comb was taken by a pan of good old fashioned comb honey without the newfangled method of taking it in sections. It was the only entry made for comb.

We are asked by letter, did the Heddon Hive get a prize at Toronto and how did the Shuck come out. As it doubtless will be of interest to many of our readers to have a reply to this question, we would say: The Heddon hive secured no prize at Toronto, although entered.

The Shuck hive also entered, secured only a second prize for best section crate and system of manipulation.

Lest in our editorial remarks upon "My Experience at Fairs," an article written by Mr. Willows might be misunderstood, we would say there are no grounds for saying the judges at that exhibition acted in any manner to one exhibitor they would not to another. We all know many rules laid down by the association are not and what is more appear not to be intended to be enforced by the association. In Justice to all they should be. Such a clearly defined line would be more satisfactory to all exhibitors and save no end of difficulty to the officers of the association. Of course an exhibitor does not always agree with the decision of the judges, and yet he would not say the judges desired to act partially or unfairly. Hives in particular even when practically tested we know have opinions passed upon them almost as numerous as the men who pass their opinions, and because a judge differs in his decision from our views that does not we trust lay him open to censure from the exhibitor, and so with other articles. We therefore unhesitatingly say we think the judges at Toronto did their work with a fixed desire to do justice, to all, and as far as the decisions in reference to ourselves and the firm we represented there, are concerned, favorable or unfavorable as they may have been we have nothing to say.

Mr. Jacob Alpaugh of St. Thomas, had a very nice display of comb honey at the St. Thomas Fair. He is to be congratulated upon the comb honey, also extracted honey he has secured this year especially as to quality.

HONEY CURED HAMS.—Wm. Davies & Co., 22 and 24 Queen St. West, Toronto, inform us that honey cured hams will now be a regular line of their business and can be procured from them. The first lot made for us has given such success and created such a demand for the article that they feel warranted in taking this step. Another large pork factory firm in Toronto have been communicating with us and will probably also be able to supply these hams.

The Canadian *Bee Journal* has made a mistake in the publication of the Toronto Prize List. R. F. Holtermann took 1st prize for best and largest assortment of extracted honey properly named.