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Very few, indeed, in Canada are being deluded by the supposed advantages of plain sections and fence separators. We do not know of a single bee-keeper who has been engaged extensively in comb honey production for any length of time who has adopted the above. We know of one extensive bee-keeper who has lately gone into comb honey production, who last season arranged a lot of supers and who produced honey in such sections in this way. We rather smiled, not in our sleeve, but over the editorial desk, when he wrote us the other day saying: "I shall not produce much comb honey this year. I find it sells very slowly and is difficult to dispose of."

If the editor of the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL can be the means of keeping men who have little practical experience in the production of comb honey, and others, from believing that bees will fill a section better because the bee space is attached to a fence instead of the section, and that it does not matter how much propolis there is about the hive when the sections are put in, and other things just foolish, his ever having become a bee-keeper will have been some advantage to a fraternity. We do not propose to dwell upon the absolutely groundless statement that the editor of this JOURNAL showed the cuts to illustrate the No Bee-y Sections article in the December 1898 issue. The fact was that The Goold, Apley & Muir Co., Limited, ordered the cuts and paid for them as they would for

any other goods advertized; such an absolutely foundationless statement has its effect, however. To dwell upon these side issues not affecting the merits of the question may blind weak and unreasoning minds; yet only those who have a weak cause to defend need to resort to such tactics, and our case is strong enough without such methods. The methods adopted by another journal in this direction we refuse to follow. This reminds us of the following, the source of which we have forgotten, "How few men and women there are who, in a verbal discussion will stick to the question; and this number is again greatly reduced when you come to a controversy in a paper. Honest, well reasoned controversy, is, or should be, a source of enjoyment to victor, vanquished and onlooker. The person who stoops to other tactics, drawing the spectator in a clever way away from the issue to veil his defeat, resorts to that which is only worthy of one who stands in a lower intellectual and even moral grade."

We believe the arguments used in the December article leave the fence separator no ground to stand on; and furthermore, very few will be misled by groundless misrepresentation, and an oversight on our part in not making it clear that plain sections were at the Toronto Exhibition but not judged, (when, if judged, any one could tell at a glance they would have received no prize,) is not worth considering for two moments.

In closing we beg leave to quote what