

ery. Several correspondents point out that alfalfa has been much more severely dealt with than clover by the trying winter and spring weather especially in the case of the older fields.—Ontario Bulletin.

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Hiram Pettit, a brother of Morley Pettit, Provincial Apiarist, O.A.C., Guelph writing the Belmont (Ont.) Times from his home in California, where he is engaged in growing oranges and grapes, says: "Do you know that Dorchester Township, Ont., (where Mr. Pettit was formerly engaged in farming), is just as good an apple country as the far-famed apple districts of Washington and Oregon? Well, it is; and if I were a younger man, with the knowledge I now have of fruit-growing, I would not be afraid to set out an apple orchard of 50 acres on the 8th concession of South Dorchester, and in fifteen years make a fortune out of it."—Farmers' Advocate.

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Some of our most interested friends have been protesting against the issue of the Journal at the end of the month. We fully admit they were justified. We have been for some time intending to remedy the difficulty. The increase of business in our printing office during the past has been such as to make it impossible to bring out two issues during one month. The printing of the Journal is but a mere item in the volume of our business, and very often has been forced to stand aside for customers work that constituted a much larger proportion of our business enterprise. With increased facilities and a night staff, we have at last been enabled to catch up, and this month we are placing before you a double number which will represent the May and June issues. It will appear as usual at the same period of the month, but will be dated one month ahead. Therefore the July issue will appear on or about the first of July.

The increased interest that is being shown in the Journal—and it is in evidence from coast to coast—has been a matter of much pleasure and satisfaction to us. It is now taking its place as a truly Canadian Bee Journal. It was no small venture when we took it under our care. The former owners gave it away as it was a money losing proposition to them. It had dwindled in its importance, until it had become a mere bulletin of the Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association. From the first it was a case of nursing. Having but limited capital and that absorbed in a growing job printing business, we were unable to make any great plunge at the start. We thought it better to test the prospects carefully and make such advance as was warranted. We are pleased with the results. We hope to show a greater advance in the future. By the valued assistance of Mr. White, and the addition of a Woman's Department, new interest has been aroused. We are striving to publish a national journal. We hope our friends down by the sea, those in the great West, and those in British Columbia, will continue to show increased interest, and come to regard the Journal as their own. Canada is a vast territory, and is advancing by leaps and bounds. It is our hope that we may hear more frequently from our friends in the other provinces. Ontario is not Canada. There are a thriving lot of bee-keepers in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, while British Columbia is giving promise of being a great bee country.

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If the honey producer was the only man to enjoy an import duty on what he had to sell, the misnomer "protection" would be a great financial boon to him. But once he demands "protection" on his honey because he produces it for sale, he cannot logically deny the same privilege to every other man who produces something for sale. Hence on the many things he would buy he would lose more

than what he gained that he sold. Conced one case, and you have to stand on. All sho all will demand it. I lished you once more s and "protection" ceas Protection is a financia person enjoying it only joys it to the exclusi fellow." Hence it is turers want protection but such raw material they want to import times the raw material the finished article of At this point the " and protection become whiskey or opium—the more you want, and the the want the worse y mind it would be much bee-keepers to accept f products and insist on supplies.

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During the past mo Pettit, Provincial Apiar busy, and from the n meetings announced, wil a very busy man. I through the efforts of meeting was called of t bee-keepers, and an formed. This associati meeting on the 16th, a splendid attendance is greater part of the progr Pettit. The afternoon voted to the "Prever Swarming," and the "An Illustrated Lectu Their Work." Arrange made for apiary dem held at three points in t the next month. The meeting was held at W urday, May 13th with a There was also a grai keepers of the three Co