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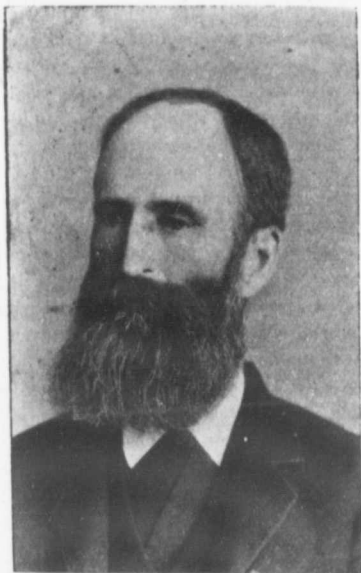
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J. D. EVANS

Who Delivered the Address of Welcome
at the Recent O.B.K.A. Convention

Our native maple is red in the fall, but
our "timber" is red all the time.

I want to welcome you here, and I hope
you will make it a point to come here
every year. I am sure the County Coun-
cil would be disappointed if you went
anywhere else. I had particular orders
from the Warden to say to you not to
leave any bees in the hall, because the
County Council were meeting in a short
time, and they might get bees in their
bonnets. I told them that the atmosphere
of sweetness you would leave behind you
would keep the Council in good humor
when they met. I am very glad every
year, and I rejoice about the time of the
meeting of this convention because I have
so many old friends, and I regret also the
absence of so many. When I was first a
member of the Association my old friend
Jones was one of the chief honey-pro-
ducers in Canada; and then I see a long
succession who are not here; my friend
Hall is not here to-day, nor Mr. Pettit,
and there are a great many others who

have disappeared; but I am glad to see
the younger men are rising in their places
and taking the place of those dropping
out, and I am sure this Association will
go on and prosper. Bee-keeping is in a
better, sounder and more satisfactory con-
dition than it ever was before in Canada.
I think we owe a great deal to the vari-
ous Governments from whom we have
asked favors in the shape of legislation,
and a great deal of legislation has been
passed that has helped us in a great many
ways.

I was a little surprised in picking up
the News last night to see a report there
saying that Prof. McGill was to address
you, stating that adulteration was very
common in the Province of Ontario. I
doubt whether that is the fact, because
as far as I have seen in the past in a
great number of cases that have been
examined they have never been able to
trace adulteration to any bee-keepers; a
few cases have been traced to dealers,
but as to bee-keepers themselves, I be-
lieve there never has been a case of adul-
teration traced to any bee-keeper.

I wish you every success. I won't de-
tain you, because you have important
matters to discuss, and I know you will
discuss them in that beautiful manner
which is peculiar to bee-keepers. (Ap-
plause.)

The President: I am sure it affords us
a great pleasure to feel we are made so
welcome.

Mr. Holmes: I think we would be
lacking in ordinary civility if we failed to
recognize the kindness that has been done
us as an Association by the York County
Council through Mr. Evans. We have
certainly been made to feel very much
at home, and his kind words of greeting
this morning have added to that feeling;
therefore I have much pleasure in moving
that the best thanks of this Association
be tendered to the Warden and County
Council through their representative, Mr.
J. D. Evans.

Mr. Brown: I have much pleasure in
seconding the motion. We have been