

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

Columbian Exposition.

THE following letter which will explain itself I have received from the Ontario Commissioner to the approaching World's Fair at Chicago. The mistake in regard to the present presidency of our Society I correct by communicating with Mr. Awrey and also with the president Mr. Gemmell.

I have no doubt Mr. Awrey will do everything in his power to aid the beekeepers of Ontario to make such an apiarian exhibit at Chicago as will do credit to them and their country. I beg to urge upon them the desirability and importance of keeping the Chicago Fair in mind in their manipulations in the bee yard and out of it. The season has not been overly encouraging so far but we must make the best of it. Next season may be better and it will be observed that the clover and basswood honey of next year may be put in up to August 15th '93. It will be well, however, to produce the very best possible this year and keep it over, and not depend too much on next year which might not prove as favorable. Let Messrs. McKnight, Corneil, Hall Alpaugh, Chalmers, Gemmell, McEvoy, Emigh, Smith, Clarke, Post, Holtermann and a host of other good men whose names do not just now occur to me bestir themselves in this matter and do credit to themselves at Chicago.

ALLEN PRINGLE.

To ALLEN PRINGLE, Esq., President Ont., Bee-Keepers' Association.

DEAR SIR:—By an arrangement with Prof. Saunders, Dominion Commissioner I have to take charge of the exhibit of bee's honey, wax and bee appliances.

I know no man in the province to whom I can apply, who will be able to render me assistance in this matter better than yourself. I would ask you to use your influence with the beekeepers of Ontario, to make such an exhibit as will be a credit to this province and which will indicate to the people throughout the World our capabilities as a honey producing country. The exhibit will be classified as follows:

1st class 1. Clover and bass-wood; class 2. white sage; class 3. buckwheat; class 4. all light honey other than enumerated in classes 1. and 2. Class 5. all dark honey other than enumerated in class 3. Exhibits of honey produced during 1892 or earlier, must be in place on or before April 20th. 1893.

Exhibits of honey in classes 1. 2. and 4., produced during 1893 will be received between July 15th. and August 15th. In classes

3 and 5 between August 15th and September 1st. 1893.

The following information should accompany each exhibit. (1) Kind of honey; (2) Name of exhibitor; (3) Place where produced; (4) Character of soil in locality where produced; (5) Variety of bee; (6) Name of plant from which honey is produced; (7) Yield per colony; (8) Average price of product at nearest home market.

The Exposition Committee at Chicago are preparing cases which will be paid for by the individual exhibitors in proportion to the lineal feet occupied, and will become the property of the Exhibitors at the close of the Exposition.

Individual exhibits of comb honey must not exceed a 100 pounds. Individual exhibits of extracted honey, not more than 50 pounds. Individual exhibits of bees' wax, not more than 50 pounds. Exhibits of appliances used in bee culture can also be exhibited. A limited exhibit of bees can also be exhibited.

I would ask you to use your influence with your brother beekeepers to make application for some one or all of these different exhibits, and forward them to me at as early a date as possible.

It will only be necessary to write in the letter your desire to exhibit so much honey in comb or jar as the case may be, or so much bees' wax as may be desired. If you consider it advisable I will prepare a blank entry form or secure them from the department at Ottawa or Chicago, and forward them to so many of the beekeepers as you would suggest to me, although I think the letter will be quite ample to enable me to make application for a certain amount of space for our exhibit. Kindly attend to the matter and use your influence with your friends, so as to do credit in your line to this Province.

Yours Truly,

N. AWREY,

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P. S. Since writing the above I have had an interview with Prof. Saunders, Dominion Commissioner, who has agreed that the Dominion Government will pay for the casing so that no expense will fall upon the exhibitor himself, and not only will the cases be paid for but cost of transportation to and from the Exposition will be paid by the Dominion Government.

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Aqua Ammonia is a specific for bee-stings says a late medical Journal. Will that old error be kept up forever?—Dr. C. C. Miller in Stray Straws.