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### A word of Commendation.

**G**ENTS,—I am not much given to flattery but when publishers do a *good thing*, I think, in justice to them, they ought to receive encouragement; for if knowing their labors are appreciated they will continue their good work.

With this prelude I will say that your Journal of issue Jan. 15th inst., contains a model report, in the report of the doings of the annual meeting of the Ontario Bee-Keepers Association. The scribe who made up the report deserves the thanks of the Association, and every subscriber to C. B. J. may well consider he has his subscription value in this one number.

I need not and will not particularize, all is good and worthy of preservation. I am particularly pleased with the report of the Committee on Affiliation. It could do no more, and ought to have done no less. The report should be accepted and adopted unanimously. It is a peculiar idea, that of incorporation, now isn't it? No matter what or why the reasons that were given, the idea even of incorporation to me is ludicrous. A stock concern without stock—of what value is it? or do they intend to issue stock to its members at some par value, and thus try and make it a moneyed institution? *National!* Well, I am a Yankee, and imbued fully with Yankee ideas, but I well remember when the attempt was first made to make the Association international. No matter, though. Let Illinois have it, when the Ontario Association can have as good a meeting, and as especi-

ally good a report as you give, I guess you can live at home without much suffering.

Respectfully yours,

JOS. E. POND.

North Attleboro, Bristol Co., Mass., U. S.,  
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### A Report from Picton District.

**N**O one can deny that it is a good thing for a bee-keeper to be able to throw his ideas on to a sheet of paper. It is good for himself—for his brother bee-keepers—for the Journal, and for society in general. The worthy president of the O. B. K. A., for instance, has such a talent that every one who reads the Journal must feel the influence of his energetic spirit and be refreshed. The same may be said of many others who write for the good of their kind. I am, therefore, in a very disagreeable state of doubt as to the reception and the effect of my letter at this time, seeing that I am but a comparative novice as yet, both in literary work and bee-keeping. Not allowing such considerations to defer me from making however feeble an effort, I trust this may be acceptable.

Most people know the geography of Ontario, and that Picton is the county town of Prince Edward Co., with a population of 3,000 and upwards. Beautifully situated on an arm of the Bay of Quinte. It has the terminus of the C. O. Railroad, and has the head quarters of the Montreal steam-ship "Alexandria" and "Empress of India," which plies between Toronto and Port Dalhousie, besides having, when the navigation is open, daily communication by steam-ship with the thriving cities of Belleville and Kingston. She has seven churches