

son of the opinions of other members. At the close the president, F. W. Hodson, made the statement that this proceeding was perhaps the most valuable feature of the entire convention and it is the intention to make this an annual feature. Could the same policy not be pursued to advantage by the Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association.

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we take notice of the following editorial in the *American Bee-Keeper* :

"A good deal of importance is placed by some papers on the probability of greatly reduced rates of railroad fare to Toronto next year, for those attending the North American Bee-Keepers' Convention on account of its being held during the Industrial Fair. Possibly a small amount can be saved in that way by those who are willing to put up with the inconveniences of travelling in second class coaches on excursion trains but all this will be more than offset by the extra high rates of board which are always charged at that time. The writer visited the fair last September and his experience in that direction was anything but pleasant. We arrived at 8 o'clock in the evening and could find nothing better than a cot in the hallway at any of the numerous hotels. Finally we were directed to a private house where we were informed good accommodations could be procured. On reaching the house we were so pleased to find a place to sleep that the price of lodging was not mentioned. We staid there two nights and on enquiring the amount of charges when we were ready to leave, we were confounded by the information that "\$2 a night was the charge but that they had been offered \$3 just after we arrived." From our own experience we unhesitatingly assert that Chicago World's Fair prices were "not in it" with Toronto. It is always best to bargain for your board at Toronto before you get it.

Friend Merrill we are surprised, but—tell it not in Canada, least the young men and maidens rejoice—that at last a Canadian has been able to get the better of an American cousin. In Canada it is generally considered that bargains too frequently result the other way. But laying all jokes

aside in future when bee-keepers propose visiting the Toronto Industrial Exhibition drop brother Holtermann a card and he will do his best to find a comfortable, convenient and moderate boarding place for you, or better still, he is generally at the Toronto Industrial Exhibition in the Honey Department, call on him there and he will post you. For years, almost every year for the last fourteen years, we have attended the Industrial Exhibition in Toronto, and it is the first time we have heard of very high rates being charged. Mr. O. Herscheiser Buffalo, boarded at our boarding house this fall, within about half a mile of the exhibition grounds. The place was comfortable, we paid by the week \$8.50, he paid for a day or so at the rate of 25 cts. for bed and 25 cts. for meals. Last year we got close to the grounds a dinner of turkey, celery, etc., etc. A good dinner, 15 cents. The hotels may on certain days be crowded that is hotels near the centre of the city to which everybody rushes. The details for that convention have of course to be worked out, but our idea at present is to get a hall not very far from the ground, in the same vicinity, there are good hotels at reasonable rates, and if a party of six, eight or ten want a good boarding house close to the hotel and hall at a rate of \$1.00 per day or less probably, we will be able to direct you to them. Do not be afraid to come on the score of exorbitant rates, and if you have no friend and no other pointer and visit a strange city or deal with strangers take this with you:—*Before you buy anything ask the price.*

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We know of several shipments of honey to Europe during the past few months and at prices making this

Our Foreign market preferable to our own lowest wholesale market. We have ever

been willing to give our readers the benefit of any information we possessed about foreign markets. At the annual meeting of the Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association last year the largest list of foreign honey dealers