ture, carriages, floorings, various kinds of glazed and ornamental wall papers, and artificial flowers. Electrotypers adapt it to the forming of molds, and in the machinery trade it is used as a preventive against rust. Laundries are great consumers of wax, which is used as a polish in the finishing of starched articles. Combined with tallow it is used as a coating for canvas awnings, tents, sails, and cordage to prevent cracking or spliting and mildew. Electrical supply houses use it in winding the wire, and it serves the druggist as a basis for salves, as well as for use in making plasters, certain kinds of ointments and in some medicines. The Herburn Pure Food Law will cause it to supersede paraffin or ceresin in this respect, as also in the manufacture of candy. Beeswax is used by dentists in making impressions, and also by patternmakers. As candles made from beeswax emit a permeating perfume and the deposit left after burning does not injure fabrics or pictures, their use in churches is much favored.

In many parts of Mexico, Mr. Millward tells us, the bees, which are of a stingless variety, are regarded by the natives as household pets, and are known by the endearing terms of "angelitos," or "little angels."

Children are found in the patios and gardens with candy in their hands, which they playfully share with the bees; and it has often been remarked by tourists how fearlessly and gently the apparently ferocious little insects are brushed aside if they become too greedy or annoying.

Nearly all American bees have a deadly enemy; this is the black ant. So persistent are the attacks of this ferocious little warrior that the bees have the greatest difficulty in defending their colonies and honey. In many districts, in order to prevent the depredations of the ants, the hives are raised from the ground and set in inclosures of water. An ant of a totally different character is found in Mexico. It gathers honey from wild flowers and plants and lives in underground chambers, and contributes to the sustenance of the colony in a most remarkable manner.

A certain number of these ants remain at home and are used as living storehouses. They are fed honey by the workers until they sewell to about the size of a pea; and during the season when honey is not obtainable, they regulate their supplies, drop by drop, as food for the colony.

In the south of Brazil as well as in certain districts of Paraguay and Uruguay, where it is indigenous, there is a wasp which gathers honey. It is said to produce honey of an excellent quality, differing only slightly from that of the bee. This wasp produces no wax, the cells in which the honey is enclosed being of clay or mud.

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