

of crops, or disappointment in prices. The experience of the Goold, Shapley & Muir Co., in this respect is somewhat different; they have a large quantity of first-class honey still on consignment in Liverpool, which has been on hand there now something over twelve months. The returns they have had so far do not represent nearly the percentage of profit indicated in the article referred to. And they state positively that they have not received a living profit on any of their shipments to the Old Country, notwithstanding the fact that for the greater part of this honey they paid last year's wholesale price. And that the commission houses with whom they do business are among the best in that country.

We quite agree with the suggestion regarding convention reports, that they are generally too long and for the most part unprofitable to the ordinary bee-keeper. This is one of the things that we intend to remedy, but should we attempt to crowd all into one issue, as suggested by a writer, it would mean the exclusion of all other matters.

ONTARIO BEE-KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION.

At Toronto.

The following is the programme for the annual meeting of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association, to be held in the City of Toronto, on 5th, 6th and 7th of December, 1899.

FIRST DAY.

5th—2 p. m., Reading minutes of previous meetings

3 p. m.—President's annual address; Mr. J. K. Darling, Almonte, is invited to open discussion on the address.

4 p. m.—Paper by D. W. Heisie, Bethesda, on "Spring Management of the Apiary." Discussion led by R. H. Smith, St. Thomas.

5 p. m.—Paper by J. E. Frith, Princeton, on "Management in the Swarming Season." Discussion led by John Pierie, Drumquinn.

7.30 p. m.—Some observations in Wintering Bees, by John Fixter, Ottawa. Discussion led by C. W. Post, Trenton.

8.30 p. m.—Question Box to be opened by Jacob Alpaugh, Galt. All questions for this box must be in the President's hands not later than 6 p. m.

9 p. m.—Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

6th—9 a. m.—Official Reports and Communications.

10.30 a. m.—Paper by W. Z. Hutchison, Flint, on Bee-keepers' Associations, their past, present and future. Discussion led by J. B. Hall, Woodstock.

11.15 a. m.—Paper by H. Sibbald, Cooksville, on "Marketing Extracted Honey." Discussion led by John Newton, Thamesford.

12 noon—Adjournment.

1.30 p. m.—Address by F. A. Gemmell, Stratford, accompanied by his famous wax extractor, showing the only known method of getting all the wax out of the old combs. General discussion.

2.15 p. m.—Election of Officers.

3.30 p. m.—Address by Prof. J. W. Robertson, Dairy Commissioner, Ottawa, on "Our Own and Foreign Markets for Honey."

4.30 p. m.—Paper by M. B. Holmes, Athens, on "Management in Extracting Season." Discussion led by J. Armstrong, Cheapside.

5.15 p. m.—Question Box to be opened by J. B. Hall, Woodstock. All questions for this box to be in President's hands not later than 1.30 p. m.

6 p. m.—Adjournment.

7.30 p. m.—Address by G. E. Saunders, Hornby.

8.15 p. m.—Paper by A. E. Hoshal, Beamsville on "The Honey Bee and Its Relation Towards the Fertilization of Fruit and other Blooms." Discussion led by W. J. Craig, Brantford.

9 p. m.—Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

7th—9 a. m.—Paper by John Newton, Thamesford, on "The Production of Comb Honey." Discussion led by W. A. Cryslar, Chatham.

10 a. m.—Question Box opened by A. Pickett. All questions for this box must be in President's hands not later than 9 a. m.

11 a. m.—Unfinished and new business.

12 noon, Representatives of both Dominion and Provincial Parliaments are expected to address the Bee-keepers during some of the sessions, as also the Mayor of Toronto. The Executive have endeavored to arrange a very interesting programme by taking up nearly all points of interest to bee-keepers generally.