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## EDITORIAL

**B**RO. Mason has purchased the *Bee-Keepers' Magazine* and will consolidate it with the *Advance*.

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Mr. George E. Hilton is writing a series of papers on bee culture for that progressive paper the *Michigan Farmer*. An illustration of his apiary is given, and by that one engraving friend H. has made his bee-yard one of the best advertised in the northern States.

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We have received a copy of the carnival number of the *Montreal Star*. It is a superb number, a grand souvenir to send to distant friends, and well worth preserving as a memento of the most extraordinary winter in the history of Canada. We cannot describe as it is so elaborate. An order has been booked from London, England, for five thousand copies, while in Toronto and New York it has created a tremendous furore. The last edition is now being run off. The publishers send it to any address for the small sum of thirty-five cents.

For the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

Temperature of Brood Nest in Winter.  
Nom de Plume.

**F**RIEND Jones:—Your "Hallamshire Bee-Keeper," in the issue of February 6th, in writing of the "Temperature of the Brood Nest," says: "I have been much amused at reading American bee-papers lately.

With what unanimity the different writers quote 65° as the correct degree of temperature of the brood nest. I think it was first used in the *Review*, second column, page 74, in reviewing Mr. Cheshire's book." He then goes on and tells how go-ahead are the Americans, but they have no time to correct mistakes. If this "Hallshire Bee-Keeper" will turn to page 74 of the *Review* he will see, if he has time to read carefully, that this "65°" occurs in a quotation from Mr. Cheshire's work, and it is given as such, and marked with quotation marks, while this "Hallamshire Bee-Keeper" refers to it in a manner to lead the reader to believe that it was given as the views of the *Review*, when the *Review* made no attempt to say in this connection what was the regulation temperature.

Now, then, after having said this much, we are prepared to defend 65° as the normal temperature of the inside of a colony of bees in winter. Mr. Cheshire was speaking of winter or spring, and knew what he was talking about; and before again writing upon this subject "A Hallamshire Bee-Keeper" had better make a few experiments. In the meantime he may look on page 190, vol. XIII. of *Gleanings*.

We make this defence here instead of in the *Review* that all who saw the attack may also see the defence.

We see that this same "Hallamshire Bee-Keeper" explains that British publishers do not trim their journals as it would subject them to increased rates of postage. Well, this lets out the British publishers in good shape, and we are happy to say that all the American bee-papers are now stitched and trimmed.

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