

Middlesex County Association

The spring meeting of the Middlesex County Association was held in the city hall, London, on Saturday, May 2nd. Two sessions were held and were both well attended. The morning was largely taken up with reports on wintering, spring losses, etc. At the afternoon session we had a very large attendance, all taking a deep interest in the discussions which partook largely of the usual routine questions. Spring management occupied considerable attention, being opened by Mr. Morley Pettit, who spoke on cellar wintering, time to set out, etc. Mr. Aches found that smoking each hive before removing bees from the cellar would keep them in the hives and quiet while removing them to their stands. Stimulative feeding was considered an advantage if done with judgment, the open air plan being condemned by some of the veterans present.

Various methods of queen clipping was explained and discussed. Shook swarms received the usual "shaking" without anything particularly new being brought out.

Winter preparation for both cellar and out-door wintering were discussed.

Mr. John Newton spoke on the

Honey Exchange, explaining the reasons why each one should help to make it a success, our members taking quite an interest in the cause which was evinced by the number who paid in their dollar to become members.

Our association was reorganized on Feby. 28th last Mr. D. Anguish of Scottsville being elected president whose usual broad smile seemed to be considerably lengthened by the success of our spring meeting.

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