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Port Colborne, Ont

THE BEEKEEPER'S LIBRARY.

We keep in stock constantly and can send by mail post-paid the following:—

BEEKEEPERS' GUIDE OR MANUAL OF THE APIARY, by Prof. A. J. Cook. Price, in cloth, \$1.25 paper, 1.00

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YES! I take the Poultry Monthly and consider it the best Magazine published, by a large majority. My fowls are now the best paying stock that I own. I have cleared over \$400 thus far, and business is just booming. I would advise every poultry keeper to subscribe for it without delay, as it is brim full of practical information.



NO! I did not subscribe for the Poultry Monthly, but intend to do so at once. I am told it is the best poultry journal published. I said I was too poor. My hens did not lay. They sickened and died. I had no poultry paper to tell me what to do, all because I wanted to save a dollar. I had to sell my place under mortgage. The "old woman" has gone back on me. My hen is getting thin, and the fact is I feel bad.

Special Offer For One Dollar

We can place the MONTHLY in the hands of every one interested in poultry and pet stock, and will send the paper for the balance of this year free to all who subscribe now at \$1.00 for 1887 and mention the C. B. Journal.

Remember, the regular price of subscription is \$1.25 per annum, so do not fail to take advantage of this liberal offer.

Address,

THE POULTRY MONTHLY.

P. O. Box 215, Toronto, Can.

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We have arranged with the publishers whereby we can offer to new subscribers to both papers the

BEE-KEEPERS' MAGAZINE

OF NEW YORK, AND THE

CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL

For the regular price of the

CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

The "Bee-Keeper's Magazine" is a 32-page monthly the price of which, in 1886, was \$1.00. The publishers however, have so reduced the price that we are enabled to make this offer. This will give bee-keepers the advantage of two bee journals for the price of one.

Beeton Printing & Publishing Co.,

FINE BOOK, JOB, & LABEL PRINTING.

Send for our FREE "Honey Label" circular. Printing furnished promptly, and neatly done. Estimates of "circular" and other work on application.

F. H. MACPHERSON,

3-t.1. Manager, Beeton, Ont

Tools For Bee-Keepers

HAMMERS.

We shall hereafter keep in stock a full line of tools suitable for bee-keepers. For ordinary use, where a person has only a few hives, etc., to nail, we have an iron hammer (with adze eye) which we can send you at 15 cts.

Then in steel hammers we have three styles all with adze eyes, which we sell at 40c, 50c, 60c each.

Small hammers—steel face with adze eyes, just what are needed for frame nailing, etc., No. 55, 35c; No. 52, 50c.

SCREW DRIVERS.

With good hardwood handles and of the best steel—nicely finished, round bits, in two kinds, No. 1, 5 inch bit 18c.; No. 2, 6 inch bit, 20c.

TWO-FOOT SQUARES.

In iron squares we have two kinds—the first of these is marked down to 3/4th of an inch, and is marked on one side only, the price is, each, 20c.

The other style is marked on both sides down to 1/2 an inch—price, each, 35c.

We have a splendid line in steel squares which we can furnish you at \$1.35. They are well finished and are usually sold in hardware stores at \$1.75.

TWO FOOT RULES.

A splendid line in rules we offer at, each, 18c. Then we have a nice box-wood rule at, each, 25c.

HAND SAWS.

Just at present we have but one line in these—26 inches long—A. & S. Perry's make—usually sold at 75 cents we offer them for 55c

PANEL SAWS.

These are what are often called small hand saws, and for the finer classes of the bee-keepers work are indispensable. We have started out with two lines in these. The 18 inch are good steel, (Shirley & Dietrich make) and can be sold by us at 50c.

The 20 inch are better steel (same make) price \$1. These last are a beautiful saw for that money.

PLANES.

Iron block planes, just the thing for dressing off hives, each, 75c.

Wooden smoothing planes—the best of the kind, 85c.

All the above goods are sold at prices 20 to 25 per cent below the ordinary retail value, so that when ordering other goods you may just as well have any you may want at the cost of transportation will not be any greater. These will be included in the next revision of our price list.

THE D. A. JONES CO., LD.,

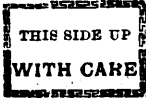
BEETON, ONT.

BARNES' FOOT-POWER MACHINERY.



Read what J. I. PARENT, of CHARLESTON, N. Y., says—We cut with one of your Combined Machines, last winter, 50 chaff hives with 7-inch cap, 100 honey-racks, 500 broad frames, 200 honey boxes, and a great deal of other work. This winter we have doubled the amount of bee-hives etc., to make and we expect to do all with this Saw. It will do all you say it will. Catalogue and Price list Free. Address, W. F. & JOHN BARNES, No 172 Ruby St. Rockford, Ill.

OUR * PAGE * OF * SPECIALTIES. *
THE D. A. JONES CO., LD., BEETON, ONT.



Shipping Labels.
They are for pasting on the tops of cases.
Price, per 10..5c. by mail, 6c.
" " 100.25 by mail, 27
" " 1000.1 50 by mail, 1 60



Show Cards.
Size 12x18 in. each..05
" " " " per 10..40
These are just the thing for hanging in the stores where your honey is placed for sale.

Lithographed Labels for Tins

We have lately reduced the prices of these very much. They are now

	Per 1000	Per 500	Per 100
5 pound labels.....	\$8 00	\$4 25	\$ 90
2½ " " " " " " " "	5 00	2 75	65
1 " " " " " " " "	3 50	2 00	50
½ " " " " " " " "	1 75	1 15	30
¼ " " " " " " " "	1 75	1 15	30
Labels for tops of tins.	90	55	15
Printing name and address, first 100.....	100.....		30
Each subsequent 100 up to 500.....			12
Printing name and address, per 500.....		500.....	75
" " " " " " " " " "		1000.....	1 25

Shipping Labels for Comb Honey

CAUTION.

COMB HONEY

Handle with Extra Care.
Do not Move it on Hand Trucks.
Do not Drop It. Load with the finger pointing to the
Do not Dump it.
Set it Down Easy.
Haul only on Vehicles with Springs Bow, Locomotive or Horses

These are 7½ x 5½ inches, printed in red ink, in large bold faced type, on heavy paper and are invaluable to all shippers of comb honey. Keep them in stock and can furnish them by return mail. Prices : 25, 12c.; 50, 20c.; 100, 35c.; 500, \$1.50 ; 1000, \$2.75.

PRICES.

25, 12c.; 50, 20c.; 100, 35c.; 500, \$1.50;
1000, \$2.75.

Gem Jars

		Gross.	Half-gross
" Crown " brand	1 Pint	\$14 75	\$7 50
" " "	1 Quart	15 75	8 00
" " "	½ Gallon	19 00	9 75

Glass Packages.



The new screw top, which is taking so well we can ship at an hour's notice. They hold exactly one pound of honey and make a splendid package for jams or jellies afterwards
Prices per gross.....\$ 10 00
" half " 5 25
" per dozen..... 90

0 lb. Tins for Extracted Honey.

WE MAKE THEM.

For shipping honey in bulk, this package takes the lead. It is the most convenient size, is encased in wood so that it will stand any amount of handling. Has a large screw top so that granulated honey may be taken out as desired.

This is the package recommended by the commissioners to the Colonial exhibition. We have sufficient to store 100,000 lbs. of honey ready to ship by return freight or express.

SCALE OF PRICES.

Each.....	\$ 50
Per 10.....	4 80
" 25.....	11 25
" 100.....	42 00

The cases are made of planed lumber.

Honey Boxes For Sale.



We have in stock a large lot of Manilla Boxes, made to hold the 4½x4½ Sections, on which the Honey Comb Labels, A and B are used, (see illustration), and we can offer them at very reasonable rates. Each box has a nice tape handle, and the package is certainly a very beautiful one.

MANILLA BOXES. Per 1000. Per 100. Each
4½x4½.....\$14 00 \$1 50 2 cents.
Send 3 cent stamp for sample.

Dextrine.

This comes to you in the shape of a powder, and is used for the purpose of gumming honey, labels on wood and tin. Dissolve it in a little hot water, applying with a brush, and brush the gum over as well as under the label. Put up in packages of quarter half and one pound:

¼ pound.....	9c.	By mail 6c. extra
½ " " " " " "	15	" " 12
1 " " " " " "	25	" " 24

SUITABLE FOR THE SEASON.



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THE DEFENCE FUND.

WE shall keep standing in type the names of those who have aided in the best interests of bee-keeping by subscribing to the defence fund in the "McIntosh-Harrison" case. There is no time to be lost. Our action must be prompt and decisive.

- A. I. Root, Medina, O.....\$5
- J. K. Darling, Almonte..... 5
- Jones, Macpherson & Co., Beeton..... 5
- A. L. Swinson, Goldsboro, N.C..... 2
- M. B. Holmes, Delta..... 5
- G. A. Deadman, Brussels..... 1
- J. B. Wrightson, Willow Creek..... 2
- R. F. Holtermann, Brantford..... 1
- Aspinwall & Treadwell, Barrytown... 5
- D. L. Wilson, Newmarket..... 5
- Josiah Reaman, Carville..... 2

For the Canadian Bee Journal.

MCINTOSH VS. HARRISON.

SEND herewith five dollars which you will kindly apply in the fund for the defence in the above cause, and permit me to say to the bee-keepers of Ontario:—Friends, let there be immediate action on your part! Rally around the standard. Let us stand shoulder to shoulder in this matter, call the attention of your bee-keeping neighbors who do not take the C. B. J. There must be funds to carry on this suit, be you the owner of five colonies or one hundred, all are alike interested. Are we to stand idly by and see our beloved pursuit wiped out of existence? I for one say, no! and I am sure this will be the response from every true bee-keeper in Ontario. Do your duty and do it now.

M. B. HOLMES.

Delta, Dec. 10th, 1886.

WANTS A "UNION" IN CANADA.

I enclose you \$1 to apply towards defence fund in the McIntosh-Harrison suit. I would be very much in favor of having a "Union" in Canada such as they have in the U. S., if only a sufficient number of bee-keepers would come forward, but a great many are so indifferent in the matter, that it seems somewhat discouraging, and as I see it now, the Union would be almost forced to defend a suit of a bee-keeper who may have never belonged to a Union, simply because it is not best to let a case adverse to the interest of bee-keepers go to record. However, something of this kind is needed, and possibly it could be so managed as to overcome the objections referred to.

G. A. DEADMAN.

Brussels, Ont., Dec. 10th, 1886.

We concede that there are times when bee-keepers may require to defend cases which have arisen through spite, but as explained in the last issue of the JOURNAL (page 746) there is more likelihood of such with a "Union" than without it. Take the present case for instance. The defendant never probably had any idea of help from any one, when he began this suit, or rather when it was brought against him. It seems to us that it would only be right and proper that the power of defence in such cases should be vested in the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association with their present prospective grant from the Ontario Government of \$500 per year. This would be one good way of using their new powers and capital.

OUR PORTRAIT GALLERY.

D. A. JONES.

IT was our intention immediately the exhibitions were over to continue the "Portrait gallery" which we commenced with the biography of Rev. Wm. F. Clarke, but owing to the many other pressing duties claiming our attention, it has been impossible to do as we had desired. Now, however, we again undertake the task. Lest it may be thought presumptuous that we should choose as our next subject the senior editor of this periodical we wish to explain our position. We desire to present our readers with short sketches

is completely innocent of the charge, and knows nothing whatever of our intentions. And now we shall pass on to the subject of our biography, first saying that to his brother are we indebted for his history up to the twenty-first year, and from that date, to Dr. W. N. Whiteside, of this place, who has been intimately acquainted with his life and circumstances:—

Mr. David A. Jones was born in the Township of Whitchurch, in the County of York, on the 9th. day of October A. D., 1836, and remained on the farm with his father until after he was twenty-one years old. The love of bees is a natural gift which we have traced back from his forefathers to the early part of the 17th. century. His great grandfather, Abel Jones, was a native



of our principal bee-keepers, together with their engravings, and first amongst these we choose at this particular time our Canadian commissioners to the Colonial, feeling that those who have read, weekly, accounts of what has been done to popularize the use, and extend the sale of Canadian honey, would like to see their portraits.

It would be more natural to bring first before your notice the chairman of the Board of Commissioners, but we feel sure that Mr. Pettit will excuse the liberty when we say that our object was to escape the charge of egotism on the part of the senior editor, were he returned before this appears. As it is he

of the State of Rhode Island where he married Ruth Greene the daughter of a quaker preacher and near relative of Brigadier General Greene, whose name is so familiarly associated with the American Revolution. Abel and his wife moved to the town of Petersburg, in the State of New York, where he took up a large tract of land and became an extensive bee-farmer, as well as a tiller of the soil. He spent a great deal of time in company with, and conversing with his bees and believed he understood their language. They would tell him the day before swarming and seldom failed to keep their promise good. He died on the shady side of ninety-four and attended to his bees till within a few weeks of his death. During the time the old man was confined to his room the bees frequently swarm-

ed, but invariably returned to the old colony and continued to fade away until all were gone. D. A.'s father had a great liking for bees and struggled hard through the "bee-moth" for the mastery, but at last came out second best. I might tell you a great many notions of his great grandfather, how he frequently sent word to the bees of the state of his health and his promises when better, but they would not be interesting to any readers outside of the family circle.

At twenty-one years of age he set out for himself and was engaged in various ways and places for the next five years with a stock-raiser in Illinois where he contracted a severe fever. Afterwards for a while in a book agency and then longer selling fruit trees, and employing several such agents and making double or triple profit through the depreciation of the American currency. Having thus gained enough capital he set up a general store in Beeton, his wife assisting in millinery etc. Seeing several good openings he put most of his capital into real estate, sold out his first store which had been considered larger than the place needed and set to work to build up a village on part of his purchase. He built as a starter an agricultural hall and skating rink 150x60 feet, and next year a store three times the size of the former with good residence attached. Having bought a couple of swarms of bees in Langstroth hives from a neighbor who was moving away and being comparatively at leisure while waiting to realize on his real estate before starting store again, he studied out a patent * hive which he thought would effectually checkmate the bee moth being in fact a double walled hive, the internal one being all tin and glass.

While preparing to introduce these hives through the country he fell in with Mr. Lucius Thomas—bee editor of the *Canada Farmer*, who showed him "the *American Bee Journal*" for which he at once subscribed and soon after saw mentioned in it the "*Hrusetka*" or "honey slinger" then an entire novelty. He immediately ordered one and the honey coming in briskly soon after he was able to see the bees fill their combs full within three days after slinging out fifteen or twenty pounds. The reports of such marvellous quantities of honey excited just suspicion and equal doubt of their truth among those who had been practising the old ways and believing that they knew how as well as anybody. His father contrived, though very loth always to leave home, to make a visit and see the novelty. In his ambition to make the most of his bees, the old man had built in his new stone house a large hive about six by eight and ten

feet high intending to step in there and take a slice of comb when he chose, but somehow the bees did not take to the place as he wished, but he lived to see a far superior method of gathering large stores. From the time the *extractor* showed him how the bees could be got to produce as much honey in three days as they could put into *supers* in thirty days, he became solidly enthusiastic over the bee business and foretold the extent of its development at once, and although he joined with his brother in keeping his large new store for a few years, he stayed in it as little as possible and pored over bee-books and bee-papers and his bees with steady devotion.

About 1874 he sold out his mercantile business and set himself to extend his apiaries as far and as fast as possible and in pursuance of this in the winter of 1879-80 went to Cyprus and the Holy Land to obtain what were believed to be the best races of bees. From this time his career has been widely known to the bee-keeping fraternity and he probably will always feel pleased that the necessity of a change in the name of the post office enabled him to suggest and see accepted by the authorities the name Beeton for the promising village he had been the principal in raising so much above its surrounding competitors. All this time he was and still is the moving spirit in almost every enterprise affecting the material advancement of this neighborhood, especially in bringing the H. & N. W. R. Co., on its present line.

In the year 1878 he began the manufacture of bee-keepers' supplies, in a small way, and that business since its inception has increased to its present capacity, employing a large number of hands. The business is now controlled by a joint stock company of which Mr. Jones is president.

To Mr. Jones is given the credit of inaugurating the grand exhibit of honey and supplies which is yearly made at the Toronto fair, and he is yet one of the principal movers in that enterprise, which has done, perhaps more than anything else to create a market and a taste for honey amongst the masses.

In April 1885, in company with the writer, the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL issued its initial number, with D. A. Jones as senior editor, and since that time every reader of the paper, is thoroughly familiar with his life and writings.

He has always been amongst the foremost in pushing forward any scheme which had for its object the benefit of

*The patent is dated July 15th, 1870, and is on what is called "The Jones Perfection Bee Hive."

the bee keeping fraternity, and his natural love for this now gigantic branch of the commerce of the world, will ensure to them his best services in the future.

For the Canadian Bee Journal.

THAT TRIBUTE.

I VENTURE the conviction that the very best "tribute" and the one that will be most highly esteemed by your Commissioners, would be a large meeting of O. B. K. A. on the 5th and 6th of January next. Now in pursuance of this thought, I propose that all other forms and contemplated forms of "tribute" be dropped, and that money forwarded for said purpose be returned with thanks to those who so kindly sent it. Our time will be short and very valuable while in Toronto. There are so many subjects of vital importance to be carefully considered and dealt with by the meeting that there will be no time to squander over any body.

Begging the pardon of Dr. Thom and others who so kindly brought the matter before the people, I subscribe myself,

S. T. PETTIT.

Belmont, Ont., Dec. 8th, 1886.

This comes from one of the men whom we "delighted to honor" so our friends must take what friend P. says as from a modest man. But, friend, it is time that something was done, if anything is going to be done, in this matter. Only a few days will elapse now before the date set for the meeting and any arrangements contemplated should be under way before this time. Rev. Wm. F. Clarke, who has been asked to take the chairmanship, writes:

Owing to absence from home, I was not able to intimate my concurrence in the proposal to give the Commissioners an appropriate testimonial, but I shall be most happy to co-operate, as I think their labors well deserve a token of acknowledgment from the bee-keepers of Canada. I am, gentlemen, yours truly,

WM. F. CLARKE.

For the Canadian Bee Journal.

TRIBUTE TO THE COMMISSIONERS.

MR. Pettit's proposal that we show our appreciation of the service rendered to the honey interest by our commissioners in the shape of a rousing meeting of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association, comes nearer my idea of the right thing to do than any proposition yet made. There is but one feeling among bee-keepers in regard to this matter, so far as I

know. All are desirous of showing honor and gratitude to the four gentlemen who have represented us so well at the Colonial and Indian Exhibition. But how to do it in some tangible and permanent form is the difficulty. We could hardly make four presentations, and the commissioners would probably be the first to object to anything of this kind. The idea of luncheon is in some respects attractive. It makes a pleasant, social, friendly gathering and affords opportunity for the expression of complimentary sentiments. But it has been estimated or ascertained that such an entertainment at a first-class Toronto hotel, would cost about \$2 per head. Well, the season has been a poor one, and very few bee-keepers would feel like spending that amount in addition to the ordinary expenses of attendance. Such an arrangement would, I fear, operate to deter some from coming, which would be a great pity. Moreover, bee-keepers are not a dining, wining and toasting class of people, and would feel out of their element at such an affair.

I think we might appropriate an evening to this object, make it a social affair, have some refreshments in the way of cake, fruit and possibly a cup of coffee, present complimentary addresses to our commissioners, and hear their several accounts of the trip, enjoy ourselves equally as well as at a luncheon, and not repel any one by the costliness. I would propose that there be no charge, or if any, a very small one, and that we invite the officers of the Toronto Industrial Exhibition, and any other interested parties to be present. Whatever is done, I would earnestly second Mr. Pettit's motion that every effort be made to get up a large and enthusiastic meeting. Come one, come all. Especially let our lady bee-keepers make a point to be present, and do the honors at the Apicultural Social.

WM. F. CLARKE.

Guelph, Ont., Dec. 18th, '86.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CHAPMAN HONEY PLANT.

THE committee appointed by the North American Bee-keepers' Association at the annual meeting held in Detroit, Michigan, Dec., 1885, to investigate the merits of the honey bearing plant now being cultivated by Mr. Hiram Chapman, of Versailles, New York, met at that place on July 28th. One member of the committee, Mr. Manum of Bristol, Vermont, was not able to be present, but as each member of your committee was furnished with a sufficient number of plants to afford opportunity for observing their growth and habits, and also to gain some information concerning the value of the plant as

a honey producer; a letter from Mr. Manum, in which he gives the result of his experience and observation, is herewith appended.

This plant, which Dr. Beal of the Michigan State Agricultural College and Mr. Scribner, Assistant Botanist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture tell us is *Echinops Sphaerocephalus*, is an imported perennial, native of Central France, and like all of the family to which it belongs, very rich in honey. This plant will probably be popularly known in this country as the Chapman Honey Plant, so named on account of Mr. Chapman being first to cultivate it and being first to bring it to the notice of those engaged in bee-keeping.

We found three acres of the plant in bloom, the height of the mature plant is from 3 to 4½ feet, and each root bears from five to fifteen round balls or heads from one inch to 1½ inches in diameter. These heads stand upright and the entire surface is covered with small white flowers bearing blueish stamens.

The stalks and leaves so nearly resemble those of the common thistle, that, were it not for the head the difference would not be easily noticed. There is, however, in this particular, a very marked difference, the appearance of the head being aptly described by its botanical name, which signifies round-headed and in appearance like a hedge-hog.

The flowerets on the top of the head open first then they open later along the sides of the ball, continuing in order of nature around the entire surface of the sphere. Near the stem the last flowerets open, after the blossoms on the top of the heads have disappeared and the seed capsules of the first blossoms have hardened.

Unlike the thistle, the seeds are provided with no baloon by which they may be borne by the wind. The seed is, in weight and appearance, very like a small grain of rye, is enclosed in a capsule and falls directly to the ground if not seasonably gathered, not spreading more than oats if left to fall without harvesting.

From the time of the appearance of the bloom upon the tops of individual heads until the fading of the last blossoms upon the lower part of the head near to the stock is about eight days, the continuance of the blooming depending upon the nature of the soil and the season; but the heads or buds sent out from each individual shoot and forming each individual cluster, vary in degree and size, so that the natural term of blooming and honey bearing may be safely reckoned at from twenty to thirty days. The term of blooming may also be prolonged to a considerable extent by cutting back a portion of the plants, and the facility with which the honey harvest may

be thus prolonged constitutes an important feature when estimating the value of this plant. The plant is hardy, easily propagated, perennial, and appears to flourish in all kinds of soil and there is no danger of its becoming a pest or noxious weed. It does not bloom until the second season and, as it does not spread in seeding, its extirpation would be easily accomplished. Its seeds may be scattered in waste places or it may be sown in drills or hills like onion seed. It seems to be characteristic of the plant to root out all other vegetation and take possession of the soil. No weeds and but very little grass was seen growing in the three-acre plot observed. A ten acre field sown broadcast and harrowed in like rye has also made a vigorous growth and seems to be taking possession of the soil in opposition to quack grass and weeds. As to the value of the plant to the honey producer there seems to be no room for doubt whether quantity or quality or both be considered. Within reach of Mr. Chapman's apiary no other resources were accessible for honey gathering, the severe and prolonged drouth having destroyed all other honey yielding blossoms and yet in some instances the bees were making an excellent showing in the hives. No definite conclusion could be reached as to the probable returns in pounds of honey from a given area. That the returns would be satisfactory was evidenced by the fact that the entire area was "alive with bees" and they visited the flowers from daylight until dark and sometimes eight or ten bees were upon a single head at one time. Mr. Hubbard; who cultivated some of these plants obtained from Mr. Chapman, reported that he had counted the number of visits made by bees to a single head from 5 a.m. to 7 p.m. He reported the number as being 2,135, actual count.

In order that the committee might have some idea of the quantity of nectar secreted in the flowers of a single head, the day before our arrival Mr. Chapman had wrapped a thin paper about a head, the half of which was in full bloom, and tied the paper around the stem with tape, thus preventing the bees from appropriating the nectar for 24 hours. Upon removing the paper on the forenoon of the day of our visit, the flowerets were found to be dripping with nectar and the drops sparkled in the morning sun. Each of us have made similar tests with like results since that time. We cheerfully and confidently recommend this plant to the bee-keepers of North America as a most valuable acquisition to the list of bee-storage plants.

We believe that a trial of the plant will, better than any words of approval from us, publish its own commendation.

Respectfully submitted,

L. C. ROOT,
A. I. ROOT,
N. W. McLAIN.

Bristol, Vermont, Oct. 7th, 1886.

Mr. L. C. Root,

Chairman of Committee on the Chapman Honey Plant:

Dear Sir:—As I failed to put in an appearance when the committee met at Mr. Hiram Chapman's in July last, it is not only due to you, but to Mr. Chapman and the convention as well, that I make a short report of my experience with the Chapman Honey Plant, 50 roots of which Mr. C. so kindly sent me last spring. The plants thrived well through the summer under moderate cultivation and planted on light sandy soil. I did not take extra pains with them as I wished to test their hardiness. The plants commenced to bloom July 14th and continued to bloom until August 21st making 39 days that they continued to bloom and from the first day of their blooming until the last the little flower balls were covered with bees every day from early morning until dark, rain or shine, (we had no very heavy rains during this period,) the bees constantly going and coming. I have counted 16 bees on one ball at one time, all sucking the sweet nectar from the richly laden flowers of the Chapman Honey Plant. At Mr. C's request, I covered three of the balls with tissue paper and two with muslin. On the following day there were several bee-keepers here. I removed the paper from the balls and lo, and behold, the flowers were filled, yes, covered, as it were, with honey. We found by holding the hand under one of the balls and jarring it, the honey dropped in the hand enough to make several drops. In a moment a bee lit on one of the uncovered balls and never moved until its sack was filled, when it flew away. On timing them I found that five bees filled themselves and flew away in two minutes and twenty seconds from the time the first bee lit on the plant. The two balls that were covered with muslin were now uncovered, but the honey seemed to have evaporated, as there was but little visible although I had noticed bees alight on the muslin and try to suck the honey through the cloth. This fact was conclusive to me that the bees could smell the honey through the cloth.

I find that by cutting back the plants in June they will bloom later in the season. This would be of advantage perhaps to those who are favored with an abundance of buckwheat for their bees to work on during August, as by cutting it back it would then commence to bloom the last of August, thereby affording good pasture for bees in September. In conclusion I must say that I am very well pleased with the plant, judging from this first year's trial and I venture to say that the time is not far distant when it will be extensively cultivated for its honey producing

qualites. I expect to plant an acre next spring. Were it possible for me to meet with you at the convention I would move a vote of thanks to Mr. C. for having introduced this valuable plant. It is valuable not only to bee-keepers but the florist as well, because it is a very beautiful plant and so very rare withal.

I remain yours truly,

A. E. MANUM.

COMB HONEY BY THE POUND.

I FIND a great evil and drawback in selling comb honey is that of selling it not by weight but by the section. I go to store-keepers and they want quotations by the section and say we have to sell it in that way. The absurdity and falacy of such a thing is all too apparent to a practiced apiarist. Whilst this is true it is equally correct to assert that many bee-keepers are aiding the promotion of the sale of honey in this way and it is about time for such to pause and consider whither they are drifting. Would a grocer think of selling all his rolls of butter by the chunk irrespective of weight? Would the pork packer condescend to sell all his hams and bacon by the piece? Does the farmer sell his cattle, sheep and hogs at the same price irrespective of weight? Such an idea would be ridiculed and justly. Why not do the same with honey, and if we expect to sell our honey and transact business upon a sound business basis, we must do likewise with our honey. Without one exception I have had to battle with the retailers in this matter and have only induced one to sell his honey by the pound. And I have had quotations from a number giving them by the section. Until we can invent a method of taking our sections of one weight and in sections of one size and use only one sized section, we had better sell by the pound. The advantages besides being founded upon a proper business like basis are many. The bee-keeper gets pay for his honey as he should, the retailer is not at a loss to know how to remedy charging too much for light and too little for heavy sections. The consumer is justly dealt with and has a greater variety of prices. It avoids the danger of larger sections such as $4\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ being sacrificed for smaller such as $4\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ and parallel cases, that is the larger having to come down to the price of the section of smaller dimensions, which everyone will see at a glance would be unjust. We see which weight there is the greatest demand for. Of course we must take into consideration the quality of the honey itself, the general finish of a lot of sections when selling

wholesale, also the size of section, that is one one pound and two pounds, by this I mean a size which is less saleable should bring less per-pound than one readily sold. I hope bee-keepers will take this matter practically in hand and especially for our European market, there will be no difficulty there, in Canada it may require a little exertion.

R. F. HOLTERMANN.

Brantford, Ont.

MICHIGAN STATE CONVENTION.

(Continued.)

Thirdly: Much has been said about the disagreeable character of the odor arising from a colony affected with the disease and it is true that it is sufficiently so but not to a greater extent than many other odors. It is much like that of a poor quality of common glue in a warming pot in preparation for use. The disease would ordinarily run several weeks in a colony before one would be likely to discover it from the odor on opening the hive. Though I have had two colonies so diseased as to be reduced to the strength of weak nuclei yet no odor could be discovered without opening the hive or putting the nose close to the entrance. So do not depend on discovering the disease by the sense of smelling. Fourthly: Generally more or less of the cells containing dead brood have cappings each of which has an opening near its centre and these openings vary in size from one that might have been made with a common pin up to one half as large as the capping itself or even larger, as if the bees, discovering the death of the larvæ while capping the cell, at once interrupted their useless work. Sometimes many dead larvæ will be found in cells on which the work of capping has not even been begun, and on the other hand sometimes a comb full of dead brood will hardly exhibit a cell with an incomplete capping. Cells containing diseased brood and having cappings which are entire may generally be detected by the sunken appearance of the cappings.

As I have said, in May last I discovered the effects of the disease in two of my colonies. I could not believe it was the work of foul brood but determined to keep watch, and did so till I saw them increasing in strength rapidly, one of them casting a swarm and the busy season coming on, when I paid no more attention to them until early in July when the white clover season closed. I had about 3000 sections partly filled with honey and in order to have them finished I selected twenty-seven colonies to do the work and got honey to feed them for the purpose by extracting two or three of the heaviest combs

from each colony in my apiaries. Everything progressed finely for several days till one of my hands called my attention to a colony that seemed not prosperous. On investigation I decided the cause to be foul brood and found that several other colonies had the disease also and that from ten to twenty combs from diseased colonies had been extracted the combs distributed through the apiary and the honey fed to the twenty-seven colonies above mentioned. As the readiest method I proceeded to attempt a cure by the starvation plan and treated fifty colonies or more with very good success so far as yet appears. I do not yet by any means cherish the hope that there will be no new cases. I shall undoubtedly have to continue the struggle for a while yet but I have no doubt of final success.

In closing let me remark. First: That the rapidity with which the disease will destroy a colony depends as much upon the number of combs in the hive as upon the virulence of the disease. A colony on eight combs, attacked by the disease in the spring, will very likely be reduced at the close of the season to a pint or a quart of bees, while one on twenty combs will perhaps cast a swarm and still come through a good colony. Secondly: Honey from infected colonies certainly carries the disease. Of the twenty-seven colonies fed as above twenty-six had the disease well established when I stopped feeding. Thirdly: I venture the opinion that the disease is conveyed only incidentally except by infected honey and by the matter of diseased brood. I did what I would not advise any one to do and that was to put a diseased colony back into its own hive without disinfecting the hive, of course giving the bees, after a course of starvation sound honey, and the disease did not reappear though a considerable amount of brood was reared. Finally: Hiving swarms from diseased colonies on foundation or on empty frames seems to be all that is necessary to free them entirely from the disease.

R. L. TAYLOR.

Mr. Taylor was asked by some one present whether he expected he was rid of the disease? He did not think he was but was of the opinion that he had a big job on his hands.

A gentleman, whose name we did not get, said he was troubled with, what he considered to be, foul brood. He claimed he could, by tasting the honey in a colony tell whether or not they were affected with foul brood, could also tell by carefully examining the cappings with a microscope. On the cappings there

would be found very minute veins something like small blood vessels, just below the surface.

Mr. Puhl.—Had been troubled with foul brood for six years, and had as many as 100 colonies affected at once. It is difficult to tell it in its first stages. He believed in the starvation plan, with which he had been successful. It was important that hives having contained foul broody colonies be well boiled before being again used, and they should not be allowed to stand around where there is any chance of bees reaching them.

Dr. Mason, Wagon Works, O.—Had had considerable experience and was in favor of the starvation method.

Mr. Graden.—Promised to send Prof. Cook samples of his foul broody honey and if possible, pieces of comb showing the capping.

A. I. Root.—Reported his troubles with foul brood in *Gleanings*; so need not repeat them.

F. H. Macpherson.—Reported cases in Ontario where foul brood had been entirely cured by the starvation method and where the disease had not reappeared in any instance. The work had to be done thoroughly and greatest care exercised as to leaving frames, hives or pieces of comb around where bees in quest of stores could find them.

Next came the following paper by Geo. E. Hilton, Fremont, Mich., entitled,—

THE HONEY FLORA OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN.

If one takes the time to observe and the trouble to enumerate them, he will be astonished at the almost endless variety of honey-producing plants within the State. It would require a skilled botanist to name them all. The all-wise father has provided nearly all the trees and plants with either honey or pollen to attract the insect world.

He spread a continual feast for the bee that the important object of perfect fertilization may be more certainly attained. The bee that slips from flower to flower rollicking in the golden dust among the new born anthers, playing hide and seek in the opening corollas is performing a work of untold value in the wise economy of nature. The honey secreted by the blossoms is for the purpose of inviting cross fertilization and to prevent in and in breeding. If no insect is there to utilise the drop of nectar it is evaporated and scattered to the four winds of heaven. No one is richer for the ungathered sweets and no one is the poorer where fields are searched by the tireless little worker, whose instincts lead

it to garner the evanescent riches, which of a truth take to themselves wings and fly away. From the "Trailing Arbutus" that peeps out of the snow on some hill side, to the last frost flower in autumn, there is almost a continual succession of honey producing plants whose wealth of nectar ought to be utilised as one of the sure resources of this grand State.

California may occasionally astonish us by her magnificent honey crop, but in Michigan where the "early and late rains" are not only promised but sent, we are always confident of a reasonable surplus. The pastures and roadsides are dotted with white clover which yields the finest honey in the world. The rivers and lakes are generally skirted with linden timber and our uplands are interspersed with the same, one of the best honey producing trees of the world, yielding largely a nectar that is prized for its beautiful amber color and aromatic flavor. Every fence corner and neglected field is planted by the hand of nature as though she were trying in some way to counteract man's shiftlessness by making the earth bring forth abundantly some of the good things of life. It is of the greatest importance to the bee-keeper to know just when this succession of bloom occurs that he may have his bees in the best possible condition to secure the nectar, so far as my observations and knowledge extends I will briefly enumerate them. About the first pollen comes from willow and soft maple, usually about the middle of April, varying with the season. In the early part of May comes the hard or sugar maple, and this tree deserves more than a passing notice. It produces both honey and pollen in large quantities, and I sometimes feel that were our bees in the same condition they are at the approach of the linden flow, we would receive nearly the same results. Fortunately my bees last spring were strong early and many of them stored considerable surplus from this source, and it being followed closely by the raspberry and blackberry bloom, (with which this country abounds) I secured at least a thousand pounds of surplus previous to the opening of white clover, from my sixty colonies. White clover opens from the first to the 10th of June, and in my ten years of bee-keeping has never failed to give us a fair surplus. The flow was short the past season on account of drouth, but my bees being strong, I took about 2,500 pounds from this source. There is no interval between clover and linden in this latitude. In wet seasons the clover often continues until after the linden ceases to bloom. The linden opens from the 4th to the 20th of July, according to seasons, but cannot be depended on in this latitude; it is the most sensi-

tive and more dependent on atmospheric conditions than any bloom in this latitude. We usually get two or three days, however, and once I remember of ten days it secreted honey during its bloom. I find it does better along rivers and lake shores than on the upland. After this we have the interval in the honey flow until buckwheat, fireweed, golden rod, asters, and bone-set come into bloom, with which aside from buckwheat, this country naturally abounds. They usually afford us some surplus, but the greater part goes to the brood nest for winter stores, in fact, I have never had to resort to sugar for winter stores and hope I never shall. There are many more annuals and shrubs that go to make up the honey flora of northern Michigan, and we have some disadvantages our southern brethren do not have, but taking all in all, I think the north half of the state is much better adapted to the pursuit of bee-keeping and that the honey is of better quality than in the southern half.

Geo. E. Hilton.

Mr. Hilton's paper having been discussed, the convention adjourned, to meet the following morning, 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

The first item on the programme for this day, was the election of officers, which resulted as follows.—Pres., Geo. E. Hilton, Freemont, Mich.; 1st Vice Pres., R. L. Taylor, Lapeer, Mich.; 2nd Vice Pres., O. J. Hetherington, East Saginaw, Mich.; 3rd Vice Pres., Jno Rey, East Saginaw, Mich.; Sec., H. D Cutting, Clinton, Mich.; Treas., M. H Hunt, Bell Branch, Mich.

The next place of meeting will be East Saginaw, no date set for the meeting. It was understood that the Secretary of the Michigan State Horticultural Society desired to arrange for a joint meeting of his Society and the Bee-keepers' Association. A committee was therefore appointed, consisting of Messrs. Cook, Cutting and Hutchinson, to confer with the officers of the Horticultural Society, as to date of meeting, etc. The question of

MARKETING HONEY

next came up for discussion, and Mr. R. L. Taylor was called upon to furnish the Convention with his method of disposing of his production. Mr. Taylor stated that he usually sent his crop to a commission merchant for disposal.

Geo. E. Hilton.—Sold his honey in the home market. He took particular pains to furnish a No. 1 article and put it up to suit the market.

Jno. Rey.—Found that a wise distribution of the small pamphlets "Honey, some reasons why it should be eaten," was a judicious investment and brought good returns.

A. I. Root.—Advocated keeping a stock of honey on hand the year around, and it paid to have it in all styles of packages to suit the several consumers.

Dr. A. B. Mason.—Produced a copy of the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL and read from it a letter by the Pres. of the O. B. K. A. wherein the Pres. insisted that American basswood honey was of a much poorer quality than the Canadian linden honey. He claimed the Ohio basswood honey was equal to any in the world and we Canadians should not throw bad odour on American honey at the expense of our neighbors.

F. H. Macpherson.—Explained that the Pres. had no intention of casting any slur upon his American friends.

After some further discussion it was moved by Dr. Mason, and seconded by A. I. Root that the Michigan State Bee-keepers' Association tender a hearty vote of thanks to the O. B. K. A. and their Commissioners to Colonial Exhibition, London, England, for the good work they have done in popularizing honey.

On behalf of the O. B. K. A. the vote of thanks was accepted for Canada by F. H. Macpherson.

FEEDING

Then came a essay on feeding by Dr. Mason, which paper however we have not at hand. The Dr. preferred feeding on the bottom board and by tilting the front of the hive upward and pouring in the syrup or honey at the entrance, all of which must be done after dark. On the ground of speed the Dr. considered this method preferable to any other he had ever tried.

(To be Continued.)

A physician says: When a teaspoonful of warm honey is taken every fifteen, twenty or thirty minutes it has a surprising effect on catarrh. Every family should have a glass of pure honey in the house, in order, at once after catching cold, to be able to use some.

For the Canadian Bee Journal.

BEE NOTES WORTH KNOWING.

AT this season of the year bees should be left in perfect quietude and not molested in the least. We should study more carefully the nature and wants of our bees, and be able to apply such remedies as will most effectually overcome obstacles detrimental to the interests of the apiarist. The wintering problem seems to be the greatest trouble now with many who have but recently commenced keeping bees, which, in order to succeed, should be carefully studied and put in practice, so as to conform to natural laws governing the successful wintering of all farm stock. Bees can be managed with greater success and with much less trouble in a good movable frame hive, than can possibly be done in the old round log or box hives of olden times, and will procure our honey in a more desirable shape for market. It is now the proper time for all who contemplate going into the business of keeping bees on a large or small scale, to procure a sample hive, and manufacture all hives needed for 1887. Time is money to the bee-keeper, hence all implements for the apiary should be in proper trim and ready for the coming season. Never allow your bees to swarm naturally or the old fashioned way, as did our fathers and mothers of olden time, but be sure to use a good movable frame hive and practice artificial swarming, and, by so doing, you will save much valuable and precious time. We will in due time give our readers a lesson in artificial swarming, as well as explain how to raise queens to supply all new swarms and save precious time. There is no other stock on the farm that can increase as fast as bees. Oftentimes, if managed rightly, will pay the apiarian ten hundred per cent, and will gather and store a full supply of honey for their winter's food, and a surplus besides for their keeper. Look well to the interest of your bees, and our word for it they will pay you in a golden harvest as your reward for all your trouble.

J. M. HICKS.

Battleground, Ind.

BEEES PACKED IN CLOVER CHAFF.

LEVI RICKARD.—I have been very much pleased with your BEE JOURNAL and should have sent the money before this but have been so busy that I have neglected it. My bees have done splendidly the last year. I had twenty-six swarms last spring; increased to fifty-two. Had one thousand pounds comb honey and 500 pounds extracted honey. I wintered my bees on their summer stands in chaff hives packed with clover chaff. My bees are in splendid shape for winter, and I think will come through all right.

Charlotte, Mich.

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Now that we are using so much perforated metal cut into narrow strips, it is not good economy to have so much selvage on our large sheets. We are endeavoring to see if the firm who punch our sheets cannot do so with less margin.

We have been fitting up in our office the past week a complete sample-room of all the goods we manufacture and sell, so that in future we can show to visitors samples of all our goods without going all over the premises. This will save us much time in the honey season.

KIND WORDS FROM DR. MILLER.

That man whom all the "States" claim, says of the C. B. J., the following complimentary words:—

"Now that time enough has elapsed since the commencement of the C. B. J. I can form a pretty fair estimate of its character. I am disappointed in it—quite agreeably disappointed. I knew you could keep bees, but didn't know you could keep up week after week making a paper whose visits I would so eagerly look for. Long may you wave."

A MISLEADING PARAGRAPH.

Would it not have been better had our friends of the *Bee-keepers' Magazine* explained the meaning of the item which we quote here a little more fully:—

"We understand that friend Arthur Todd received a special medal at the Mount Holly Fair for honey and honey manufactured."

We take it that by this is meant candies and other articles manufactured from honey, but the uninitiated would take it as meaning *manufactured* honey. To prove that this is the case we handed the paper to one or two friends and asked them what conclusions they would draw from the paragraph. They promptly replied that they supposed he had exhibited honey manufactured from other substances. It is always wise to be very explicit in matters of this kind, especially in bee-papers.

THE POET LAUREATE OF THE BEE WORLD.

It is a rather significant fact that we should, in the same issue re-publish the *Bee-keepers' Magazine* prize poem and a review of new work in poetry by the same author. Rev. W. F. Clarke, with all his hobbies and poet theories, stands to-day, in our estimation, at the head of

American writers on bee-keeping. Not through the soundness of his theories, nor the value of his hobbies, but through the poetic thought which pervades his writing, the beauty of his style and the sound common sense which will crop out despite those theories and hobbies. He is entitled the Poet Laureate of the bee world. His work entitled "A Bird's-Eye View of Bee-keeping," is a very valuable addition to the literature of the day, and we may be proud that among our ranks is to be found a person whose talents have enabled him to present us in *Poetic* verse so many lovely thoughts and valuable facts. Cover up the Heddon hobby and the hibernation theory, and you have a work which deserves to be read by every bee-keeper in the country. The work is fairly well printed, is published in convenient and tasty form.—*Bee-keepers' Magazine*.

CONVENTION NOTICES.

The bee-keepers of the western part of Ontario will hold a Convention at Tilbury Centre, January 12th and 13th, 1887. Everybody and their friends are invited. Arrangements for reduced fares at the Grand Central Hotel have been made, also for a free hall. SMITH & JACKSON, Tilbury Centre, Dec. 16th, 1886.

ONTARIO BEE-KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION will meet in annual convention in Toronto, Ontario, (at the City Hall) on Wednesday and Thursday, 5th and 6th, Jan., when the commissioners of the association will make a report of their trip to England, and other business of importance will be transacted. A full attendance is requested. W. COUSE, Sec.-Treas., Meadowvale, Oct. 25th, 1886.

GREAT UNITED CONVENTION.—The New York State, Eastern New York also the New Jersey and Eastern Bee-Keepers Association will hold their great united Convention in Albany, N. Y., January 11th, 12th, and 13th. This Convention will be one of the largest, if not *the* largest, ever held anywhere in this country, and it behooves every bee-keeper to attend—a grand exhibit of apiarian fixtures is promised—An unusually brilliant programme will be prepared and announced later. Joint Secretaries.—GEO. H. KNICKERBOCKER, JOHN ASPINWALL, F. E. JOHNSON.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

REDUCED PRICE OF SECTIONS.

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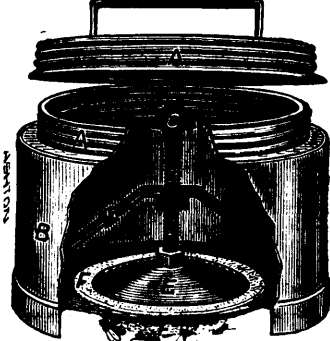
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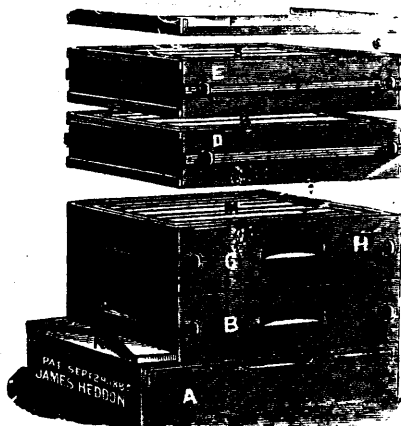
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