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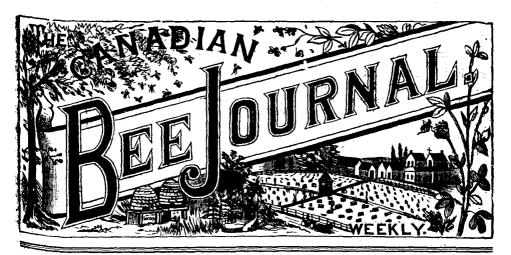
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## EDITORIAL.

UR senior editor has a grievance and it is this. Oftimes he is absent from home when an answer to a query or some practical opinion is wanted. On such occasions we have called in the foreman of the yards and Published his answers without showing in any way that they did not come from Mr. Jones. Comments on query 207, with which Mr. Pringle disagreed, were by Mr. Bray and differed somewhat from the opinion of Mr. Jones. Hereafter to avoid this, all comments, answers and articles will be initialed by the writers.

The American Association proposes to issue diplomas on a similar plan to that tollowed in England. How would it do tor the A.A. to leave Ontario in the hands of the O.B. K. A. in this respect? Will not the three members of the Expert committee have sufficient to do in the States? The examinations could be the same and under the same conditions.

On our table is a long letter anent the McFadden theory from a Texan, who declares that what Daniel says about wintering is true, for he himself learned the same thing from the Indians. We will publish it next week.

In a short time we shall commence the publication of a series of papers on "Practical Bee-Keeping" by D. A. Jones. The intention is to have them strictly what their name implies, and this will be a great opportunity for our friends to secure subscriptions from beginners in the art. Their publication will be completed by the opening of the honey season of 1888.

The National Beekeepers' Union is affiliated with the International Association and its officers are the Defense committee of the International. Is it intended friend Newman that the N.B.U. be in reality, if not in name, international?

A writer in *Grip* proposes to build a "hibernation hotel" where at any time of year guests can assume the quiescent state for a few months. Martin's and McFadden's stories have supplied fertile imaginations with a germ from which to evolve many readable if improbable yarns.

Bee-keepers in common with all men have individual opinions as to the right and wrong methods of doing a job. In conversation few are loath to express their ideas but it is a minority who commit their views to paper for publication. Poor penmanship and "spellin" are the old time excuses, but the writer of this paragraph delights in "fixing up" what

might be termed amateur correspondence. If you tried some new plan of introducing queens, preventing robbing, feeding or marketing, or your plan of doing some of these differs from what you have seen in print, let your brother beekeepers know it. The JOURNAL is read more carefully in the winter when a man has not so much to do and you can help make it "interesting and instructive.

#### DIPLOMAS TO EXPERTS.

O our mind article XI. of the new by laws of the International Association, relating to the examination of candidates for diplomas as experts in bee-keeping, will fail in its The territory to be covered is too large, and a committee of three could not handle it. The examinations. to be thorough, must be practical, and held at some point where a number could present themselves on the same day. In proportion to the number of members of the Association, Canada could expect but one representative on the Expert Committee. Candidates would not be numerous, and suppose two or three in Manitoba and British Columbia, with а similar from Nova Scotia, desired to present themselves for diplomas, they could not be expected to travel such long distances as they of necessity must to reach one And an examination by central point. mail, without any provision against the aid of books in answering, would be valueless.

It is most desirable that there be some guarantee of the proficiency of those who seek to take charge of apiaries, and to men who earn a livelihood in this manner an "expert's diploma" would be invaluable, and it is only from these ranks that candidates will be drawn. Those who keep bees, to use a vulgar term, "on their own hook," would not apply for examination. The by-law fully empowers the committee to make all necessary arrangements, and we offer a suggestion, believing that once a standard of competency is established we shall not hear of so many incompetents in the apiary engaged by a confiding bee-man on the strength of the applicant's own assertions as to his

Let the committee of three decide of what the examination shall consist, appointing one, two or more days for it, the dates being announced through the journals for a month previous. ing candidates to forward their names to the nearest member of the committee. The president and two other members of the affiliated county society most convenient to the candidate might be delegated to oversee the manipulations and the filling in of the blanks, their report thereon to be considered by the Expert Committee, who alone should issue certificates of competency. something of this nature is not done the question of distances will be an insurmountable obstacle in the consummation of this most desirable idea. C. W. L.

## CONDENSED GURRENCY.

A DIGEST OF ARTICLES APPEARING 1N OTHER PERIODICALS.

but little preparation. E. Liston, of Virgil, writes to Gleanings that the only preparations he makes are to punch a half inch hole through the centre of the combs. see that there is a sufficiency of stores all tull combs being next the hive walls (single) with brood in centre, the whole covered with a honey board or quilt. It is seldom that the bees cannot fly for 21 days.

Girls in the employ of friend Root fold an average of 1000 sections an hour. This is we presume without moistening and the result of much practice.

Five pounds of honey added to 45 lbs of sugar-syrup will prevent granulation, sa,s G. M. Doolittle On the other hand honey which has once granulated requires an equal weight of syrup to prevent its returning to that condition.

The New York Sun has an article on Beeswax as hardware" and accounts

for its being handled so extensively by this trade from the fact that tin peddlers exchange their wares for this marketable product. It makes the assertion that were all the antiquated gums and box hives discarded beeswax would be more than a dollar a pound.

The oldest bee-keepers do not remember such a honeyless season as we have just experienced, and it is more than probable that the present generation may not see another such. Apiaries of 50 to 100 colonies have not given a surplus in total of 100 lbs. \* \* \* Many bee keepers have had to feed through the summer. \* \* \* There can be no question but that bees will be more valuable next season; neither can there be any doubt that in the future honey will command a better price than has ruled for the past year.—B. B. J.

## OBSERVATIONS.

Y the excerpt from a Napanee paper in last Journal, I see that Mr. Pringle has an idea of his own in hives, and that he has used it for two years. Will he not tell us what it is like?

Has Dr. Miller's "baby" been strangled? In miss its little 5-4-9 footprint of late.

I believe the next place of meeting of the O. B. K. A. is Owen Sound. The meeting is to commence on the 8th of January, likely at one o'clock. This will give members a chance to get in on the first train in the morning and miss none of the sessions. Last year I noticed that a large number of badges were printed, and from the stock left on the table they must be kicking around somewhere yet. Wouldn't it be a good idea to turn them to some good use, and what better could be done than have Secretary Couse mail one (if there are enough, and I guess there to each member of the Association who did not get one at the annual meeting. What do I want the members to do with them? Why, wear them from the moment they leave home. Then if you don't know anybody when you get on the train, perhaps somebody else may know you. There'll be a regular "swarming in" to the coach where the red badges are to be found, and what might otherwise be a lonesome journey can be turned to a pleasant and profitable one. do you think, Mr. Editor?

Say, I like those letters from Mr. Gates, of Ouid, Erie County, Pa. He has a nice way of getting down to the "bottom" of whatever he writes about, and he can see through an article about as quick as the next one. I wish more writers for the JOURNAL were like him.

I have a good deal of correspondence with bee-keepers, and I find a lot of them are pretty well disgusted with the business. One chap writing to me says: "I've been at this business one year, but I'm going out of it now. I've made my fortune (?) with bees this season, and will make room for some one else." I fancy there are a lot just like him. But that will leave the business just so much better for you and for me.

Why doesn't McKnight, Pringle, Corneil, Clarke, and a number of others, write more for the JOURNAL now? Are they disgusted with the bee business, too?

I see by the last BEE JOURNAL that the North American Bee-Keepers' Association is to meet at Brantford next year. Why not have the O.B. K. A. meet there with them? I observe that you, Mr. Editor, suggest that the O.B.K.A. attend in a body, but I go one better and propose to hold both annual meetings at once. "I may be wrong," as Mr. Pringle says, in the suggestion, but there's no way to find out how little a fellow knows till he comes out and makes himself heard.

It tickled me to hear you say that you had even gone so far as to drop a postal to your friend at North Bay, in connection with the McFadden "wax" story. I suppose Dan will shortly tell us why the wax was not forthcoming, as I don't seem to observe that you have received it.

OBSERVER.

For the Canadian BEE Journal.

#### FALL DROUGHT VS. HONEY FLOW.

HE scant honey-flow is an old thread-bare subject now; but at the risk of appearing antiquated, I shall endeavor to focus a few rays which have glimmered around my pathway the past season. We are told that clover seed growers in the cld country expect good crops following wet falls, and the farther this wet weather extends backwards into the summer the better the crop. By reports I noticed that Texas had plenty of rain in the latter half of 87. Texas had a good crop of honey this

year. In Ontario we had an unusually dry latter half of 87. It would therefore appear if these statements are facts, that our crop of honey depends upon the amount of rain falling the latter half of the previous year. Biennial plants e.g. turnip, onion, spend their force the first year, (and chiefly the fall) in storing up material in the form of bulbs, rhizomes, etc., to complete the chief end of their existence, i. e., fruit, in the coming season. Perennials in the fall are no doubt engaged to a degree, in the same laudable enterprise, and what wonder if they should fail if moisture did not bring to them the necessary food. Everyone knows that plants must have their food in solution, otherwise they starve. Food stored away for future fruiting is more highly developed or concentrated than that required for leafing or stalking. Honey is intimately connected with fruiting, it is one of nature's methods of fertilization. Let it be clearly understood that the design of honey in the plant is to attract insects, thereby disseminating fertilizing elements and preventing "in and in breeding" which nature seems at all times on the alert to avoid.

If this be true it is not necessary for me to point out the lesson to practical bee-keepers, viz., while not neglecting our pets to engage in some other occupation for the year following a very drouthy fall.

Walton, Ont. Oct. 22nd.

R. KNECHTEL.

For the Canadian Bee Journal.

### CELLAR VENTILATION.

T is the custom of great writers to commence an article as though they would tell you something practical and wind up in a vague manner which leaves the impression on that they had forgotten reader their subject. Under the caption: "How to winter bees," a man says it is the hackneyed subject, and it is just as hackneyed when he gets through. The words "proper ventilation" have worn out, and will someone who knows what it is please tell us? There is no use summing up conditions, etc. When we speak of wintering we are supposed to be talking about normal colonies. If you have prepared your bees as I spoke of in last letter, or in any other way that is right, and will tollow the proper course in wintering, you need not and will not lose a larger number of colonies than if they were sheep. This is pretty strong language, but I can back it up with proof quite as strong, and experience is the only proof that should be accepted. What is that proper ventilation? Simply this, if you cellar is not pretty much all

under or below the surface of the ground, make it so with a heavy banking of dirt. Now your cellar is frost-proof. The dryness of your cellar is of but little account, provided it has no musty dead air smell. Don't stumble now, for there is not, I think, one cellar in five hundred that has this musty nature or any other natural impediment contrary to safe wintering. Look at the joists and other wood work in cellar; if these are dry, all right. Even these may be wet and musty from the cellar being closed. Don's get scared if they are. Hoe bottom of cellar all over, clean out thoroughly, put nothing in your cellar with bees except potatoes and canned fruit-Leave outside door open until bees are put in-I have wintered with success in cellar with 2 stream of water running through it all the times in dry cellars and in muddy cellars, that I had to put on rubber boots before going into. Now your cellar is clean and very warm, being as good as all below the surface of the earth. ventilation, which is the thing that will fetch your bees through safe, connect a two-inch tin tube with the pipe on the stove in use, letting the pipe run down within one foot of bottom of cellar That takes off dead damp air which settles at bottom always. Don't lay a hundred feet of tile for outside air, letting it come in at bottom of cellar; it is useless and expensive, and comes in at wrong place. Air in such tile is damp and hard to remove, it is not free. side air should come in at top of cellar wall Make a box in shape of L and stick one end of it through cellar window on north side of house if possible, bank up around it and let upright end of box be five feet high. Nail board over top of upright part of box, leaving hole six inches square on east and west side of box at top covered with wire cloth. Make your box six inches square inside and have a tin slide on end of box that is in cellar to regulate your temperature. By a little practice you will find when to partly close slide. When very cold it may have to be almost closed for a day or so. have let my cellar get very cold sometimes; it even froze once through a mistake I made, but we should not be careless. We should keep cellar at about 40 degrees. Mine has ranged from 36° to 48°; have never been particular. Being so extremely particular on minor points has bewildered the beginner with reference to general principles more than anything else. The reason we put bees in cellar is to avoid the extreme cold of winter, but a little variation of temperature will do more hurt than if they were out-doors where extremes can not be avoided. Let a man talk plain common sense to beginners. if he would do good. Don't scare him to death.

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and make him so nervous that he will run to his Cellar twenty times a day when twice a week will do, and don't make him think that God surrounded a bee with more mystery than he did a pig. Now your cellar is done and ventilated in that awful, queer mysterious manner which is so often spoken of in the Journal as "proper Ventilation," yet is never described in a practical way. To ventilate your hives is as necessary as it is simple. Any way that you can do it so as to leave a crack the whole width of hive both at bottom and top i inch wide is all that is needed. never use quilt or any other unnecessary fixings. Heave the entrance open, and as I carry in each hive I pry up the cover and stick a piece of lath at each front corner. Put hives 18 inches from bottom of cellar about 2 feet from wall, and I Pack can reach. mine as high as I them towards the box that ìη air, hang blanket and up Or five feet square about three feet in front of air box to shut out a direct current and keep out light. Always leave tin tube that leads to stove Open. I put my bees in cellar about the tenth of November.

JOHN F. GATES.

Onid, Erie County, Pa., Oct. 24.

We use sub-earth ventilation and find it successful. Similar plans to yours with good experiences therewith have been given in back numbers of the Journal. The methods are simple, practicable and applicable to any cellar. Friend Schultz of Muskoka winters in this manner with grand success.—D.A.J.

For the Canadian Bee Journal.

#### IVAR S. YOUNG VINDICATED.

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m N}$  your honored paper of August, this year, I read an article by Mr. Stalhammar, editor of the Sweedish bee-paper, which compels me to ask room for a few remarks. I say "compel," for although I am the most peaceable man on earth, thinking bees and bee-matters a Sunny little work, where we all that are so happy as to have and love bees, should meet in a kind and fraternal spirit, that article is of a nature to demand a prompt protest from any honest Norwegian bee-keeper at least. Indeed, the conduct of that Swedish editor is sadly far from anything like gentlemanliness, as it will be an easy matter to prove to you or any other honorable man. I am sorry that a Swedish gentleman should lend himself to a traffic like this, as I have always been looking upon these Swedes as half-compatriots of mine, and my view is this: That if a feud is broken out in my family, it

ought to be fought out in the secrecy of the family and not laid open for all, or as the pointed Norwegian saying runs, "One ought not to wash one's soiled linen before all the world."

The reason why Mr. Stalhammar has acted in this manner is this: He and Mr. Young have, in their respected papers, been flying at each other about the Heddon hive and its advantages and disadvantages or drawbacks. The discussion, as regards the two gentlemen, was quite to the matter, and not the least personal, when all of a sudden there appears in the Swedish paper a long article by Mr. Stalhammar, the like of which in bad temper, to say the least of it, I do not remember to have read. Mr. Stalhammar must be of an extremely irascible temper; indeed, from the most competent quarters I have heard him mentioned as such, and it is a great pity that such should be the case with a man in his position,

The worst points in Mr. Stalhammar's behavior are these: (1.) That to revenge himself on Mr. Young, because his opponent most heartily warns his countrymen against the Heddon hive, which seems to be a pet of Mr. Stalhammar's, the latter gentleman condescended to do his very worst to injure Mr. Young with his American and Canadian friends in hateful language and with very little respect to the means to attain this end. (2.) It the words you give in signs of quotation in the middle of the second column, page 449, running: "Furthermore I am compelled, etc." to, "and that without any trouble whatever," really are put in quotation by Mr. Stalhammar, and consequently purporting to give you and the American and Canadian readers the impression that these words are a literal translation of Mr. Young's article, then Mr. Stalhammar, at the moment he wrote to you, must have been in a frame of mind not to know what he did. To show you this I will give you a literal translation of Mr. Young's words. So says Mr. Young "When Mr. Stalhammar asserts that Captain Hetherington uses the Heddon hive, this is a mistake and is probably owing to the circumstance that there is another Mr. Hetherington, who, we believe, is a good friend of Messrs. Heddon, Newman, Cook. Hutchinson and the other bee-keepers of the Northwest, that have formed a so-called ring, and do all they can to recommend and support each other. We are really sorry that also Mr. Cook belongs to this 'ring,' but such is nevertheless unfortunately the case. Another gentleman, Mr. Jones, of Canada, who

has bought Mr. Heddor's rights of patents there

hardly uses it himself but yet recommends it,

although he prefers selling his own hive which which has a pretty deep frame." These are Mr. Young's own words, and he then goes on to say that Mr. Cowan does not like the Heddon hive. and that Prof. Cook does not use it. That is all he says there of further interest for this question. How Mr. Stalhammar, in this connection, can find himself called upon to inform us that Mr. Cowan is no liar, and thereby probably hints at Mr. Young's being one, is a thing I can't comprehend. In the March number of our Norwegian Bee Journal for this year, Mr. Stalhammar tells us that "I have been happy enough to possess Mr. Young's acquaintance and friendship for several years, and for this reason I know his impartiality and his standpoint to be above every side-interest, only looking for that which is of real public use and benefit to bee-keeping and bee-keepers, on acount of which prominent qualities I suppose he was furnished with his stipend from Government to go to America," A couple of months after this Mr. Stalhammar writes to you about Mr. Young and in his own paper in the like odious manner because—that is Mr. Young's great crime against Mr. Stalhammarthe former warns his countrymen against the Heddon hive. Perhaps Mr. S. is also infuriated because Mr. Young would not condescend to answer his rude article, finding it, as surely, he was right, to be below his dignity to answer such a base product. I shall not comment on such conduct.

I do not claim Mr. Young to be infallible; he has his tailings like other men. He is very warm-blooded and therefore, at times, rash and inconsiderate, and says things that had better be left untold. He is also very strong in his convictions, and for this reason may perhaps, at times, not be ready enough to enter upon other people's views. I am happy enough to have known Mr. Young for a couple of years, and I must say I have never known a more kind, good, true, generous and noble-minded friend than he is. Mr. Stalhammar is indeed right in saying that Mr. Young has a very good heart, always ready to repay a kindness shown to him a hundred, nay a thousandfold, but, as I have remarked, he may at times allow himself to be carried off by his warm blood to say or do something inconsiderate. I have had occasions to reprove him for so doing and he has always taken it in bonam partem and has been sorry for Mr. Young has not only written, but also on many occasions to me and others, spoken about the extreme goodness and kindness shown to him by all and every one of the American and Cana dian bee-keepers, his high for them as gentlemen, and his admiration for

them as being, without any comparison whatever, the greatest bee-keepers of the world, and he has made no exceptions. I therefore feel sure that, speaking of the above named gentlemen as a ring he thereby means nothing whatever, but this, that they are good and intimate friends, and knowing that Mr. Heddon, to use a Norwegian expression, with his hive has, so to speak, set all on a single card. They do not want to offend of hurt him by speaking badly of his hive, or their friendship may even lead them to praise it for certain good points in it, or without their know ing it or reflecting on it, their friendship may make them partial to it. This is what Young has meant with his inconsiderate pression "ring." To suppose that he should have thereby insinuated that those gentlemen for filthy, worldly gain in any direction, have recommended the Heddon hive, is mere twaddle. This is also self-evident on the very face of thing, for Mr. Young would not be foolish enough to promise you a translation of his ticles and then speak in such a way about you and your best men, for even if he did not give you any translation, there are enough Scanding, vians who could furnish a translation, and at least one of the editors has, I am told, relations or connections among Scandinavians, or people knowing or speaking Scandinavian. thing cannot remain a secret in our days. Have I said enough to prove that such words as "real gentleman," "man of honor," "openly" and "candidly" sound rather strange in the mouth of a man acting as Mr. Stalhammar has on this occasion?

At last I shall make bold to translate to you the words spoken about Mr. Young by our Min ister of Justice, Mr. Surensen, in the general meeting of bee-keepers, in the month of Febru ary last year. Mr. Surensen spoke as follows. "I agree with the mover in his idea; that it might not be quite correct that the manager and pay master\* is a member of the Directorate, but this motion must undeniably be looked upon as aim ing directly at Mr. Young. It would, at any rate, be thought that thereby dissatisfaction with Mr. Young should be pronounced, and to this will be no party. I have followed this matter (bee-keeping and its development in our country) with no little interest from its beginning, and must confess that Mr. Ivar S. Young has we my highest approval, nay admiration for the ability with which he has created something out of this, which was at first certainly extremely little (Cheers.) Without Mr. Young's efforts this As-

<sup>\*</sup> Mr. Young was and is manager and paymaster of the the Association, and at the same time member of the Directorate, whose President is Mr. Pihl, Director of all Norwegian railways.

Sociation would hardly have existed, and not have grown up so powerfully, as is now the case. Under these circumstances one must forgive him, if, in his interest for the cause, he might now and then go on a little too much and be zealous a little more than necessary. For this reason I will vote for the motion of the Directorate and will in this embody a vote of confidence to Mr. Young." (Applause.)

I think this may be a good enough set-off against the—I don't know what epithets I shall give such a letter and conduct alike—words of that Swedish gentleman, and I suppose you or your readers will not think the man, who is so much approved and esteemed by the Norwegian Minister of Justice would be stupid and mean enough—though upon the spur of the moment he may say things that he really does not mean to say and write publicly into the bargain that your best and most eminent men are nothing more nor less than a gang of impostors or liars.

Headmaster of the Grammar School of Tvedestrand, M.A. of the University of Christiania and Fachlehrer der modernen Sprachen of Dresden, Germany.

P.S.—I have indeed sometimes been in thoughts of writing over to some American or Canadian bee journals to return thanks, at least, for the extreme pleasure and invaluable instruction I have had in reading your different Papers, whose regular contributors are familiar and dear to me as though I had known them a long time, and who throughout make upon me an impression of good, honest, eminent should be compelled to write in such an unpleasant way as this.—H.H.

## Re Purity of Association Queens.

RECEIVED the subjoined inquiry but don't know the writer's address. If he is a subscriber you might refer to the matter in the JOURNAL—probably others are doubtful the genuineness of the queens sent out from the bands.

R. McKnight.

Owen Sound, Oct. 29, 1888.

RENFREW OCT. 22nd 1888.

Being a member of the O. B. K. A., I take the Italian bee. Not having seen one until I received a queen from the said Association in July last, which I happened to be successful in introducing. All that I have read about them has been that when pure they have three distinct yellow bands.

Now sir, I cannot say that there are more than two yellow bands on mine; of course they are a very pretty bee and much lighter in color than the blacks, Please be kind enough to let me know if you would call them the pure Italian bee.

R. DRYSDALE.

Much has been said and written concerning the marking of pure Italians and it is conceded that the brighter strains should have three yellow bands when the abdomen is well filled with honey. But there are queens Italy imported from which produce hees that show scarcely two vellow bands, the second being sometimes so narrow that it is only visible in sunshine with the bee full of honey. The brightest bees are not always the best although very handsome to look at. It is pleasant to look at a big crop of honey and to jingle the \$'s and cents and in our opinion more attention should be paid to breeding for general utility than for color. queens sent out by the Association were not "tested." They were, we believe, to be bred from a pure Italian mother and as purely mated as possible. The contractor was to exercise all reasonable care in breeding but there was no guarantee of their absolute pure mating, nor is there with any \$ queens. As this tender was less than sixty cents we must bear in mind that he sent out as far as we know good value for the money and we think from the unfavorable season for queen rearing that he must have lost on the transaction. Carniolans have been largely introduced into every section of this country and as they have some superior qualities many breeders of Italians have tried to incorporate these good qualities with those of the Italians or Syrians. Thus you will see that there may be some dark blood with the lighter races which is supposed to improve them so that while your queen may produce darker bees, it may be an advantage rather than otherwise. No doubt their honey gathering qualities will be quite satisfactory.— D. A. J.

In return for the names of ten bee-keepers sent us on a postal, we will send the "Bee-Keepers' Dictionary" value 25 cents. Read before the N. Y. Bee Association.

How can we increase the Demand for Honey and Maintain Present Prices.

HOSE who have carefully read the various bee journals during the past year, have observed the unusual interest which has been manifested in regard to the disposition of our products at remunerative prices. I have many times expressed the opinion before this body that far too much thought was being given in the direction of producing large quantities of honey, and too little to the better quality and proper disposition of the same. I have so often expressed my views upon this, subject that Ishalloffer but few suggestions. Enough has been said, and practical plans enough have been offered to entirely revolutionize the system of marketing. To tell the exact truth, we have had too much talk, followed by far too little action. The great needs at present may be briefly stated as follows: First, to attain to a higher standard in the production of our honey. This will be reached through the great freedom of discussion which is taking place in all our bee literature. I am a thorough advocate of the "question and answer department" of our papers. where we are enabled to compare the opinions of so many of our best bee-keepers, expressed in so concise and explicit a manner. We should remember that anything tending to educate in the direction of raising the quality of our honey to a higher standard is exactly in line with creating and strengthening a better market. Our first aim should be a prime quality, and next complete and perfect finish, so that it shall be attractive and agreeable to handle. All this means proper fall management and winter work, successful wintering, and proper spring management, so that stocks shall be populous and in condition to store honey rapidly, which aids its neat appearance. In short, it means all the year round hard work.

Second, we need to guard and foster most strenuously the fact that our product is a pure and wholesome article of food. In fact the only commercial sweet, furnished entirely from natural sources, that has undergone no process of manufacture. It is as wholly and truly as natural a production as milk, and has ranked with it in all ages past.

Third. We are now come to the point where we need a reformation. We talk much about "developing a home market," "creating a greater demand for our honey," "making proper exhibits at our fairs, etc., but we fail to practise what we advocate. In my opinion, one of the very greatest needs in the direction of solving

the problem you have asked me to consider is an entire revolution in our system of marketing Our wares should be handled in every large important market by those who are thoroughly informed in every branch of bee culture.

It may be urged that by these exhibitions will induce many not now in the business embark in it. I think not. I believe the belter way is to come right out square and let the see what we are doing. I have made exhibitions at the Saratoga County fairs for a number years and have yet to hear of any one starting in the business as the result, but I know it has been the means of helping hundreds, I may say thousands of pounds of honey, out of the glutted city markets. I think, perhaps, you will agree with me that for the cause of apiculture exhibit tions at fairs are desirable, but will it pay persons making them for their time and necessary expense? We might ask does keeping pay? Does any business pay? answer depends in a great measure on the individuals themselves. It may not pay directly the first year, but if advertising is worth anything it no doubt will, in the long run. If your fair managers offer no premiums, make a good dis play one or two years without and I think they will then, rather than lose this attractive feature There is also a great advantage in being the first one to start anything like this.

Now, friends, if these few ideas that I have here advanced will result in increasing the home consumption of our honey, thereby helping relieve the city markets, I shall feel repaid for all the labor I have given this paper.

L. C. Root.

# QUERIES AND REPLIES.

UNDER THIS HEAD will appear Questions which been asked, and replied to, by prominent and profits bee-keepers—also by the Editor. Only questions of guestions are requested from everyone. As these questions are requested from everyone. As these questions price all awaited for, it will take some time in each to have the answers appear.

# Remedying Queenlessness in Winter

QUERY No. 218.—For information of ask the following: In reading reports of winter losses we find queenlessness and cause of loss, i.e., the queen has since being and since being put into winter repository My bees are wintered in a cellar, where Now, can I can see them at any time. I by any means tell without disturbing them whether they have a queen, and is it possible to supply a queen by any means, or what course should I take to save the colony.

Da, C. C. MILLER, Wagon Works, O.—Don't bother looking after queens till spring.

As. Heddon, Dowagiac, Mich.—With us, losfrom such causes have been too small to

there is: I could not. I would save the colony that has a queen, that is if it did not put itself

G. M. DOOLITTLE, Borodino, N.Y.—No means be employed save handling the combs to tell or not. I seldom lose a queen during the winter

A. B. Mason, Auburndale, O.—Sometimes a boother is found dead at the entrance. I know of with another colony by setting one hive over the without any intervening honey board or without any intervening honey board or

tell E. Pond, North Attleboro', Vt.—You can't the loss of queen under the circumstances mention. You can introduce queens in the the but it don't pay, and I don't think it will dying colony.

PROF. COOR, Lansing, Mich.—Pay no attention till spring. The queen is of no use till spring commences in April, then if you can be done by doubling up or procuring queens the South.

H. D. CUTTING, Clinton, Mich.—It will by impossible to know whether they have a queen be disturbed disturbing them. It will not pay you bare to for the prevention of what little loss may occur from this cause.

that the queen dies after being put in winter puriters in cases of winter losses through queen-seidom dies in winter essentially. I think you are in error. The queen that alive. It is easier to supply the queen than detect her absence without disturbing the

MARTIN EMIGH, Holbrook, Ont.—I would prefer to look after the queens in August or September. Any decrepit, or greasy looking ragged
winged queen should be placed by a young one.
In winter or spring will be very small, it will
tent.

WM. McEvoy, Woodburn, Ont.—I don't think you can. Yes it is possible to supply a alone until spring and then if you find any queen-

less put them into the weakest one that has a queen, do it in the evening and smoke and drum both colonies well so that the bees won't fight and kill each other's bees.

EUGENE SECOR, Forest City, Iowa.—At any season when the queen is not laying I know of no method by which her presence may be determined except by an examination. Anyone who has tried knows how tedious a job that would be to examine 50 or 100 colonies. If queenless I know of no practical plan to requeen in this latitude. I should try to avoid loss of queens by supplying the proper conditions in wintering.

G. W. Demarke, Christiansburg, Ky .-- Just let your bees alone while in their winter quarters. You cannot tell in a majority of cases when they become queenless in the winter months, unless you go through the hive and by careful examination satisfy yourself as to whether the queen is present or not. According to my experience it is dangerous to the safety of the queen to meddle with bees in the winter months, especially towards spring. In such cases they not unfrequently lay their misfortune to the queen and proceed to "ball" her. When the bees begin to gather the first pollen in the spring, is the proper time to see that each colony has a queen. In my locality I can save queenless colonies by giving them a frame of brood and leaving them to rear a queen. But I usually winter some queens in small nuclei, by my "warming up" process, to supply all queenless colonies in the early spring.

It is impossible to tell accurately without examination, which is imprudent. Don't bother the colony. Wait until spring when they may be doubled with the next weakest colony.—D.A.J.

## SUNDRY SELECTIONS.

G. L. Pearson.—I put into winter quarters last fall 115 hives, set them out on April 26th with the loss of one. After ten days I examined them, found 7 queenless; these I united with the weakest of my other hives that had queens. I sold off to 60 commencing the honey season with that amount, had 5 swarms from the 60 and 100 pounds of honey in one pound sections and 1,300 in extracted. The season I consider a very poor one but not so bad as some I see accounts of in the C. B. J. My bees now are in first class condition for winter, none have less than 25lbs of good pure well capped honey. I intend putting them into quarters as soon as winter sets in and not till then.

THE SEASON IN HURON COUNTY.

Clarksburg.

J. LANGSTROTH.—I find in reviewing the first, second and third volumes of the C. B. J. that the index is not as complete as it is in *Gleanings* and the A. B. J., as the illustrations are not

I have gone through my complete volumes and made an index of my own of illustrations and anything I find of particular interest. Now that the honey season is over I may tell you how the season has been here. The first part of the season was cold, mostly north and west winds, then when it got along to clover time the white clover yielded nothing, as it was too dry, but Alsike clover yielded nicely, but of course the farmers cut that just when it is at the best for honey, so there was really nothing coming in of any consequence until the basswood opened. That source only lasted about ten days and not a very heavy flow at that. I think about 10 lbs. of surplus per colony and an increase of 20 per cent. with natural stores for winter will be my standing for this season. I often wish I was in a locality where there was buckwheat. Asters, golden-rod and thistles don't yield anything worth speaking of. There are lots of them, but it is very rarely I see any bees on them.

Seaforth, Oct. 28, 1888.

FRED. L. Brown.-Please tell me through the C. B. J. how candy can be made that would be safe for wintering for bees. This has been the worst season ever known through this county (Stanstead). The early frost cut down everything, and we have therefore to depend upon sugar for winter feed. I fed all the liquid food I thought they would need during September, but I fear most of them will be short of stores before January. What would you advise me

Fitch Bay, Que., Oct. 13, 1888.

Make very thick granulated sugar syrup. Select spare combs with deep cells and pour the syrup into the cells, holding the frame aslant. Fill both sides, wipe off and hang in a warm place to drip for a few hours. See that every cell is filled, and to ensure this pour the syrup on the combs from a good height. When put in the hives, the combs should be as warm as possible, and the bees will cluster on them Four or five combs filled in this manner will be sufficient for the winter. For candy recipes see back numbers of the Journal.—D.A.J.

#### WINTERING.

L. W. WENTWORTH .- Please send me your pamphlet on wintering. I would like to learn how to winter bees. For the last two years I have packed my bees in October but I think that is too early for them here as we have so much rain and cold damp weather that everything gathers moisture and do not have sufficient hot sun to dry it out before cold weather sets in. I have them all ready to pack just as soon as cold weath-er does come, and in this way. Each hive has an outside case that has a six inch space all round the sides for chaff and a foot or more over the tops. I have taken off the enamel cloth and put a Hill's device and two thickness of burlap over. A six inch case that fits snugly on the hive is

put on and filled with dry chaff, cork or saw dust. As soon as it gets too cold to rain any more I will put the chaff around the sides and s or six inches more over the tops and see how they will winter many they will winter, what do you think of that of fixing them? Some say upward ventilation and others say none and other say none and and others say none; will this way give too much for them? Thave too and for them? I have 4 or 5 good bee books and take 6 or 8 bee papers to learn about such things but about everyone has but about everyone has a way of their own and I suppose I shall have to find a way that will work the heet with work the best with me in this locality, but it costs a good bit to locality costs a good bit to learn these things by Practice and I am not sure I and I am not sure I can hold out till I learnd. sure way. I have a cellar under my house and built of grants and built of granite which is 22x28 and 15x 20, ast bottom is cemented all over, with a drain all the wall running. the wall running way round and into the cellar drain which is any fact. drain which is 200 feet long; there are six double windows and the chimneys start from the cellar bottom, so could get in the cellar bottom, so could set in stoves if wanted. It has never been seld never been cold enough in the cellar to freeze until last winter when for 2 or 3 days it was about 28°. In the north west and ander the about 28 °. In the north-west end, under it L part where we live the most of the time never freezes. Could a place be fixed in such a cellar that would be suitable to winter bees in?

Searsport, Maine.

Your bees should winter well provide ing the colonies and stores are all that is to be desired. Don't be afraid of having them too warm, plenty of protection in outdoor wintering is a good thing. thing. We have tried to pack them too warmly but have never succeeded. Leave entrance open and have no fears for the ventilation. Retain plenty of heat and the heat and the ventilation will take care of itself so long as the lower entrance is open. A bee-keeper of our acquaintance packed from ten to fifty colonies each year with two feet of chaff or sawdust all around them, the entrance closed and a wooden pipe of 11 inch diameter resting on top of frames. This pipe was protected at the top by a miniature roof, and on warm days the bees would come clear to the top of the pipe, the occasionally cluster on the inside of the "roof." Never knew him to lose a colony wintered on this plan and they always appear always appeared to be in fine condition.

You should have no trouble with your cellar. Banking well up will render it warm, but any means adopted to secure uniformity of temperature will ensure safe wintering. An opening in bottom of chimney causing an upward draft would would received would ventilate the cellar, warm the being admitted through a small aperture from a room above. If your drain is sufficiently deep to temper the air it would answer the same purpose. D.A.J.

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JAMES MILLS.—I wish to thank Mr. Howard through your valuable paper for the splendid Queen he sent me, although a little late in the season. She made up her lee-way, and the Association I was Sociation contracted with the right man. I was sociation contracted with the right man. I was sociation than pleased. If Mr. Howard should be dealing; dealing in queens again I would suggest that he send their pedigree on a postal. Some of my brother bee-keepers were admiring her beauty, but I could not tell her descent. Mountain Grove, Oct. 16.

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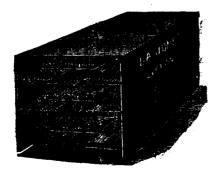
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1	81	6 45
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4	91	6 95
5	91	7 15
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å inch	5000	20	17	1 60
inch	3880	10	17	1 05
ı inch	2069	18	12	1 00
11 inch	1247	17	II	90
1½ inch	761	16	10	80
2 inch	350	14	9	75
2½ inch	214	13	9	70
3 inch	137	12	8	<u> </u>

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2	Brush, round, for paint, paste	1 05	Fabers 581	90 90	
1	Chisel handle	95 1 10	2 Note heads, pads of 100 sheets	90	
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MONTH.	Untested	Tested	Selected	Virgin
May	1 50	2 50	3 00	
June	1 00	2 00	3 00	0 60
July	1 00	2 00	2 50	50
August	1 00	2 00	2 50	50
September	1 50	2 00	2 75	
October		2 50	3 00	

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