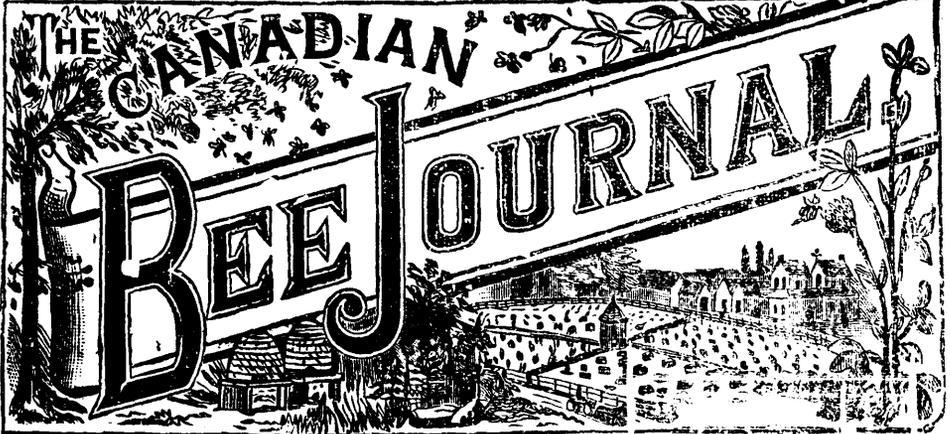


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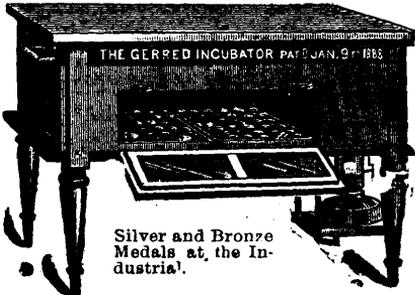
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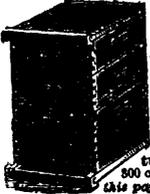
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EDITORIAL.

THE report of the proceedings of the twenty first annual convention of the North-American Beekeepers' Association, held at Keokuk, Iowa, on the 29 31 Oct., is just issued in pamphlet form, by Thos. G. Newman & Son, Chicago, of whom it may be obtained for 25c.

It is to be hoped that there will be a large turn-out at the coming annual meeting of the Ontario Beekeeper's Association, to be held at St. Catharines, January and . We expect to get some particulars before this issue of the JOURNAL goes to press.

As any word of improvement in the health of the Rev. L. L. Langstroth, is always gladly received by readers of THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, we quote from his letter to E. R. Root, acknowledging the receipt of the N. A. B. K. A. donation, the following sentence: "I am still in a feeble and suffering condition, although much better than I have been for nearly two years."

This will be the last number of the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL which we will issue before the Christmas season is upon us, and we take this opportunity of wishing our readers one and all, and to the fullest extent possible, A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

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The British Bee Journal, under the heading "Eminent Beekeepers," gives a sketch and engraving of Mr. Thomas B. Blow, one of England's leading supply dealers. It will be remembered that Mr. B visited Canada a couple of years ago.

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Diagrams illustrating bee-culture and the relation of bees to flowering plants are advertised by the British Beekeepers' Association. These are printed in four colors, and are recommended by the Science and Art Department, South Kensington. They are drawn by Frank R. Cuthbert, the author of *Bees and Beekeeping*, and are published by the B. B. K. A. We can supply these charts with key for \$2.50 per set.

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There is every prospect of the North American (late International) Beekeepers' Association becoming an incorporated body under the laws of the State of Illinois, in which case, we do not see how it can well be called an International body. Is there no law by which its incorporation can be had in the hands of Congress, thus making it more what its name signifies.

## GENERAL.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

### Contraction—Divisible Brood Chambers

**R**EFERRING to the article of Dr. G. L. Tinker, on page 348 of your JOURNAL, in which article he gives a pretty clear outline of the special features of my invention secured to me by letters patent, dated Sept. 29, 1885, which patent you own in the British possessions of America, allow me to quote the following, giving citations, etc. At the time, Dr. Tinker had a patent hive called the "Victor," and in different numbers of the American Bee Journal for 1885, the following advertisement appears:

"The Victor hive is operated upon a new principle by which the sections are placed in vertical lines with the brood frames, continuous passages being affected in a practical manner. It may be arranged for any Langstroth frame, has been fairly tested and is the best hive made, for comb honey. May be used for extracted. Send for my 24 page catalogue and price list."

This was just before the issuing of my patent and the mailing of my books and circulars giving illustrations and descriptions of my new, patented, horizontally divisible, brood-chamber hive, which I had then secretly tested for three years. My book, mailed at about this time, contains, among many others, the following paragraph relative to the subject in question:

"The above cut will aid us in describing our new hive; a hive which in many features, as well as its system of management, differs from anything of which I have ever seen or heard, although I have read nearly all of the books devoted to bee culture, and have nearly every copy of all the periodicals ever published in the United States, upon the subject."

"In viewing the cut, you will notice that the brood-chamber, as well as the surplus department, is composed of two or more

#### HORIZONTAL SECTIONS,

or departments, each containing a full set of eight frames, each department being not only "reversible," but each part perfectly interchangeable with every other."

"After having enjoyed the immense advantages accruing from the Tiering system as applied to surplus cases, the idea came to my mind, that equal advantages could be realized from the application of the same principle, to the brood department."

"Be this as for all. In practicing the 'contraction method,' and trying to overcome its imperfections, while enjoying its many advantages, I was firmly impressed that it would give us

much more perfectly and completely, the results desired, if we could make the contraction by taking away the top of the brood-chamber, rather than its sides."

"Now we use in our brood department one case, or two cases, at the same time we are using five combs, or eight combs, with the old hive, when practicing contraction. The new hive and its system of management is a great improvement over the old, for the following reasons: "

"1st. When contracting the new brood-chamber we divide it horizontally instead of vertically, taking away its top, rather than sides, giving us all the advantage of a very shallow hive, with brood close up to the top bars, and directly under all parts of the surplus case. This extremely shallow brood department settles the brace-comb problem, as with it, the bees will build scarcely any of these braces, on the tops of the upper bars of such shallow frames."

"2nd. We make the capacity of the ten L. frame hive, to five L. frames, almost instantaneously, and without exposure to robbers should there be any abroad."

"If, however, others may differ with me, preferring hives other than the standard Langstroth, if they will use two brood cases they will have just such a hive; the bee-space between the two sets of frames serving as winter passage-ways through and among the combs. It becomes obvious that the brood department of this hive can be made in one story, of any length, breadth or depth, preferred; and while losing the advantages of tiering and interchanging in the brood department, the other advantages enumerated, may be enjoyed."

"The system of interchanging, admits of using two sets of the frames in the brood department, if any should so desire, and whatever number is used, it enables the bee-master to keep his surplus cases and honey-board, always next to his brood."

"After three years of careful experimenting, I much prefer to have my brood-chamber no larger than two cases at any time of year, and no larger than one case after the colony swarms, till up to the time the queen's capacity is equal to more room, the following spring; a time when the use of such capacity will give us strong colonies of surplus storing. I have found the advantages of contracted brood-chambers to be so great, that I much prefer to use them at all times when a greater laying capacity given the queen, is of no special value."

Father Langstroth, perhaps to-day the best posted bee-keeper in the world, regarding inventions in bee hives, both new and old, penned the following for the American Bee Journal of May 2, 1888.

"I am strongly impressed with the great ad-

advantages which seems to me must certainly be gained by one of the leading features of Mr. Heddon's inventions and system of management viz: The DIVISIBLE BROOD CHAMBER."

The above sentences prove conclusively that Father Langstroth recognized at once the originality and newness as well as the superiority of the divisible brood chamber. This is all.

JAMES HEDDON.

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### Fixed Versus Hanging Frames.

READ AT THE A. B. K. CONVENTION.

**A**BOUT the time that Mr. Heddon's divisible brood-chamber was made public, and the merits and demerits were discussed through the papers, we ordered of the inventor one of his hives. Bees were gotten into it as soon as possible; and almost every time I had occasion to go into the apiary I would manipulate that hive, try the "shake-out function," handle the separate frames, etc. While I was not particularly struck with the advantages of the divisible brood-nest, or the shake-out function, I was greatly surprised at the rapidity and ease with which these little closed end-frames could be handled.

I have, through Gleanings, related some of my experiences in raising bees. Whenever it became time to move an apiary I always dreaded it. Frames had to be fixed up so that they could not be shaken about, or else, without fixing, such careful driving had to be resorted to, that it usually took three or four hours to make the trip back, when it ought not to have taken over two hours. And then there was all the time spent in fixing the frames. Indeed, our President, Hon. R. L. Taylor, in convention at Columbus, Ohio, before the association said something to this effect: "I do not see how any sane man (speaking of the hanging-frame hive), can tolerate such a rattle-box." The remark struck me at the time as being very caustic; but the more I thought of it the more I became impressed with the truth of the comparison. A hanging-frame hive is, to a certain extent, a rattle box.

Another thing: I had trouble in getting the boys in our yards to space the frames properly. Beginners would invariably space them too near together, or too far apart. The result would be, combs bulged, and others thinned down or scooped out, as it were on the side; and, worse than all, was the nuisance of interchanging them. Then, too, in buying up bees, a great many colonies had to be rejected because the farmer bee-keepers would not take the trouble to space their combs rightly. You may give them printed instructions, written books, and

when you visit them tell them how far to space, and yet, as a general thing, they will make poor work of it.

When I contrasted the smooth and even appearance of the little Heddon combs, and the often irregular ones of the average hanging-frames, and the inconvenience of the latter in moving, I hardly rested easy. I was well aware that a great majority of the bee-keepers—at least of the West—were using and advocating the hanging style; and it seemed to me that I should be wasting time in experimenting, or even investigating into the subject. I know that Elwood, Hetherington, and those other mammoth bee-keepers, used closed-end frames, similar to the Heddon; that Elwood said he could handle the Quinby as rapidly as any one could the suspended Langstroth. Although I had great respect for anything coming from the pen of Mr. Elwood, the statement seemed to me utterly preposterous; and yet, when I came to handle the Heddon frames out in the yard, it did not seem so impossible after all.

I reasoned in this way: If what Mr. Elwood says is true—yes, and I might say almost all others who have used closed-end frames—is it not possible that those who are using frames not fixed are losing many advantages that might accrue immensely to their benefit by the use of fixed frames? The hanging style without fastening will not bear moving, except with careful driving, good roads, and steady horses. There are a few who have all these conditions under perfect control. What we want, then, is frames at fixed distances, that will give us true combs—no burr-combs—and, perhaps, most important of all, ease of manipulation.

Without any disposition to repeat what I have already said through the journals, I will simply state, in order to bring the matter more clearly before the reader, that I personally saw Mr. Elwood, Mr. Tunicliff, Mr. Hoffman, and several other bee-keepers using fixed frames, handle them just as rapidly, and perhaps more so than you or I can the old style suspended; and, along with that they have all the other advantages that come with their use.

I believe that the bee-keepers of the West have generally thought that Elwood and Hetherington, and all their colleagues, using fixed distances, were either greatly behind the times, or else so conservative that they would not change their frames even if facts and figures were against them.

But right here just take note of this: These men with their fixed distances somehow manage to handle large apiaries with less help than ourselves. If they had a cumbersome, awkward system, they could hardly do this. On

the other hand, as their method of raising honey differs only in the fact that they use fixed distances, while we do not, does not that fact point pretty strongly that in this lies the secret? Elwood manages over 1000 colonies with only two assistants in the height of the honey season. Mr. Hoffman manages 600 colonies almost alone, though I believe he has some one to help him in the height of the season. I may be mistaken, but I do not believe they could do this were they using the hanging frames.

Were I to attempt to show just how to economize in labor, I would fail; but with the reader's indulgence, perhaps I can give an inkling. Mr. Elwood and other gentlemen have propolis like all the rest of us, and the bees stick it to the uprights or closed ends, as one may call it, coming in contact together. But to reduce this to the lowest possible amount, some, like Mr. Heddon, use some form of compression. Mr. Elwood uses the loped cord drawn up in such a way as to squeeze the frames tightly together. Others use a sort of wedge in connection with a follower. To separate the frames they use a small screw-driver, or one of A. I. Root's small ten-cent knives; and the way they handle these implements is a marvel. Scarcely before you are aware of it, they have the frames all loose and possibly out of the brood-nest, and before you can recover from your surprise they will probably show you the queen.

Well, how do they do it? Mr. Elwood and Mr. Hoffman both did it, when circumstances called for it, picking out four or five frames at a time—that is, at one operation—setting them by the side of the hive, and they might then return them severally or collectively at one operation. The great point where they seemed to gain over us is, that they will handle their frames collectively; whereas we are obliged, as a rule, to handle them one by one. We, after putting the frames in the hives, are obliged, as a rule, to finger each one separately; and if we do not happen to space them right, we are obliged to space them again, to get in the last frame. With fixed distances you can set them in the hives promiscuously, push on the outside one, and crowd them all up together; and of course there is plenty of room to get the last frame in, and finally the follower.

Mr. Elwood uses no brood-nest proper. He has two panels, each covering the two outside frames. He simply removes one of the panels, and then pulls the frame which he does not wish to examine, towards himself, and then very quickly lifts out the frame he wants, with a space of two or three inches in which to pull it out.

Perhaps some one will say, "Oh, well if we

were in New York state we would show them that we could get along with hanging frames." In reply to this I would say that, were you to draw a load of bees on hanging frames over the New York state hills, and over rough and stony roads, a few miles, it would be a miracle if you had anything else on arriving at your destination than a mass of mangled and dead bees, and the combs all pushed up against each other. Remember, that locality, in the matter of frames, does make a big difference as to the kind used.

The question then arises, whether beekeepers in prairie sections of the country would gain anything by adopting fixed frames. I think they would. The recent discussion of the matter of burr-combs shows that exact spacing is an important factor; and I know from hundreds of combs that I saw in apiaries where fixed frames were used, that truer and better combs were the result.

I am aware now that what I have said argues pretty strongly for fixed frames. But we must not lose sight of the fact that what one beekeeper—yes, what hundreds of them like—we might, on careful trial, repudiate; and, taking things, all in all, it would be a very foolish thing to advise that all beekeepers at once abandon the old suspended frame, without its fixed distance, and adopt fixed frames. The probabilities are, that there will always be used as many of the one as of the other. Personal tests by beekeepers will decide the matter. Many beekeepers are of many minds. Many Christians are of different beliefs as to technical points. We cannot, very well, at least for the present, have them all in one church; neither can we, if we would, induce all beekeepers to use one style of frame. But it is wise for us, I think, to consider the matter, experiment on a small scale, and then draw our own conclusions afterward.

EARNEST R. ROOT.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.

December For 1889.

AS a means of comparison we give below a memorandum of the weather as it was recorded by a friend a short distance from Beeton for the month of December, 1889. We shall try to give the record for January, 1890, in our next issue so that the whole month will be available for comparison:

The month opened with good skimming and very cold weather, snow having fallen on the 27th, 28th and 29th of November, to the depth

of about a foot on the level, although drifted badly in many places.

1. Fine, good sleighing.
2. Thawing rapidly.
3. Rained heavily during the night, changing to frost and snow.
4. 3 degrees below zero, sleighing very rough.
5. Raining and snowing alternately.
6. Fine, mild weather.
7. Beautiful warm day, snow going fast.
8. Raining hard all day.
9. Fine day, snow gone.
10. Fine day with rain at night.
11. Fine and mild.
12. Fine, roads very muddy.
13. Fine, cold, ground frozen hard.
14. Hard frost, light fall of snow.
15. Fine mid day.
16. Been raining all day.
17. Raining, roads impassable.
18. Heavy fog and rain.
19. Fine, cloudy.
20. Raining hard all day.
21. Light frost during night, fine mild day.
22. About an inch of hail.
23. Fine bright day.
24. Raining hard all day.
25. Fine and warm as May.
26. Rain, turning to snow in evening.
27. Light frost and snow.
28. Fine, mild.
29. Heavy rain.
30. Cold, blustery.
31. Fine, very cold—no snow.

W. F. MOORE.

Cookstown, Dec. 8, 1890.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.  
Observations.

I CAN'T for the life of me see why so much fuss is made over so many trival little things in bee-literature, and in the conduct of the journals which depend on the pursuit of bee-keeping for their living, such as *nom-de-plumes*, putting the names of the writer at the beginning of each article, etc. It would seem as if some of those who write in such a strain, have decided that they must know who writes an article before they will take the trouble to read it, and some articles they wouldn't read at any price, just because the right name wasn't at the head of the article. Away with such childishness.

Perhaps you will remember that I found fault with the "hole-and-corner" mode of electing officers at the Brantford meeting of the Inter-

national. I wonder if there was any improvement this year, so that every member could have a say as to whom the new officers are to be?

I observe that Dr. Miller has started a column of "stray swarms" in *Gleanings*. I venture the opinion that it will be an interesting page.

Earnest Root says that this last meeting of the U. A., B. K. A. was one of the best ever held, I must confess that from the report I have seen I did not think so. It seemed to me that there was too much time taken up with "Associations—Past and Present" and some other flowery nothing.

I wonder, in this connection, if it was money well spent for the O. B. K. A., to send a representative all the way to Keokuk. The Americans pay but little heed to anything Canadians want, and they gobble up all the offices and honors worth having.

If Bill McKinley continues to live till the World's Fair comes on, I should like to know what good it will do Canadians to go to the trouble and expense of making a big exhibit, but I tell you we could just teach our American cousins something in the way of putting up a honey show.

I was much interested in what was copied into the C. B. J. from the British Bee Journal, about flour as a pacifier in uniting bees. I intend to try it myself in the spring, and I fancy a good many others will, too. Wouldn't it do as a method of queen introduction? Why not open the hive, give the bees a good dose of flour down between the combs, and then drop the queen down in the hive. Somebody try it on a queen they don't value.

OBSERVER.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.  
Sundry Comments.

SEND you herewith some items on which you may put any heading you choose, but I will try and make the remarks which some writers would spin out to a four-column article, as short as possible.

HONEY BOARDS.

First, I can consider honey-boards very useful, but very few use them properly. Since I need no more increase I keep them off until I strain queens powers of laying pretty well and I then shake the bees and queen down and put

the honey board over the top of the first storey so as to be rid of all brood before much extracting is done. I endeavor to have the brood all sealed at least.

#### BEEKEEPING ON PAPER.

Next comes beekeeping on paper, which advises the keeping of all kinds of honey separate. It takes all summer to get honey thick enough above honey boards, and Dr. Tinker is the only man I ever saw beat this. He will get there while some of us are sleeping.

#### THICK TOP-BARS.

There has been a great ado about thick and wide top-bars. I always used  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch square and find them plenty wide enough. You will find a heavier top-bar very much in the way while uncapping. The bees also can run out of the way much more quickly. On the Langstroth frame I use a  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch side-bar with one two-inch wire nail down through the top bar of the end; try one and see how strong they are corner ways. They are quick to nail, and I never saw a bit of comb built past them to the hive and you cannot split the frame while jerking off bees.

#### HEDDON HIVE FOR WINTERING.

Mr. Pringle says the Heddon hive would be a poor wintering hive on account of the joints in the centre. You said it would be too cold. Well, practice and theory do not chime. I have not lost a pint of bees in three or four years out doors, and it is the crack that does it. Mr. Corneil will score a point. You see how bees can close and expand light through the frames as it were. Mr. Heddon and I were corresponding seven years ago about a seven inch frame, when he made the fatal plunge of his new frame. I considered the hive and frames too small, but it would take a whole Bee Journal to state times and ways a seven inch frame has been before me, without sending for them; with eight frame hive I am using them—and winter out doors in two storeys. Mr. Dadant has been there, and I want at the least, 12 Langstroth frames for the queen; 10 is too small.

#### CONTRACTION FOR WINTER.

Talk about contracting for winter, Life is too short, and a hive like the above will go right through till June without unpacking or feeding, and give the queen room enough all summer. But Dr. Tinker slips in the honey board in the right place, I think. Now, Mr. Jones, you often tell us to crowd up the frames in the spring. Just wait till we look at the question. For two years I have taken one frame out of a hive and spaced the remaining seven to about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches. When I got my first swarm I thought I would examine the hive, and found that it had been left all spring in that

state, so I do not go much on squeezing bees up stairs.

#### WINTERING OUTSIDE.

For many years I thought I would build a cellar or bee-house, but after an experience of ten years in a cellar, and wintering outside, I much prefer the latter, I will tell you a few things which I can back up here in our climate. If you are bound to winter in the cellar you must pack in the spring, as our springs are getting more windy, colder and drier, every season. Two years ago my outside hives were full of new honey and were sealed before we dare set the colonies out of the cellar and this was all on account of a few very fine days in April. Remember I can cellar bees as well as anyone I ever saw, but the change in setting out is too sudden and they cannot stand it.

#### NO WIRED FOUNDATION FOR ME.

Let me say that I never used wired foundation and much less need it, seven-inch frames. Manufacturers of foundation might just as well make it a little lighter. Many combs with a space below, and o'd thick drone comb can be done away with by cutting off  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. below and nail the bottom bar right on again, thus stopping that bee space, which is more bother to sweep bees out of than all the rest of comb.

If any one wants to object to anything I have said let them do it through the C. B. J. so that I may both feel it and see it.

CHARLES MITCHELL.

Molesworth, Dec. 8, 1890.

We tried the inch top bar, and found the same objection that you mention. For uncapping we decided long ago for our use, we would not want a top bar wider than the comb built by the bees; of course by having the side bars narrower, you can hold your hive down to side bar and uncap up even with the top bar, but with properly constructed honey boards, we think wide top bars will be found of no advantage. We are not troubled with bees building behind the side bars, and if the spacing is correct, no trouble need be anticipated from that. We think that where brace combs are built behind or between the side bars and sides of hives, as the case may be, it will be found on examination that the space is *too wide*. Bad workmanship in hive making often causes the bees to try and repair the difficulty by filling up the unnecessary space with brace combs or a few cells. Recognizing the bee space between the first and second bee chamber in the Heddon Hive, as to

wintering, we found it an advantage rather than a disadvantage, as the bees contract and expand along that crack, going between the various ranges of comb as they desired, and if the crack for winter was wider than this it would be no objection, as far as we can see. You make a good point when you mention the packing of bees in the spring after being wintered indoors. We believe that it will pay to pack them, taking one year with another, better than many other things that are done in the apiary, and considered absolutely necessary.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL.  
Brant Bee-Keepers' Association.

THE fifth annual meeting of the Brant Bee-Keepers' Association met in the County Council rooms, at the Court House, in the city of Brantford, on Saturday, Nov. 22nd. Present,—D. Anguish, J. R. Howell and wife, Thomas Burket and wife, Cyrus Kitchen and wife, Miss Bowers, Miss Ash, George Barber, C. Edmondson, G. Springsted, C. Flanders, A. McMeans, A. Malcolm, C. Ramey, S. Dickey, F. Pipe, C. Johnson, R. Taylor, T. Ivov, Miss E. Ramey, Miss Harley, W. Phillips, L. Petery, Mr. Steadman, R. Shellington, and Mr. Horseman.

After the report of the Secretary was read and adopted, the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, G. Barber; Vice-President Miss Ash; Secretary-Treasurer, D. Anguish.

The papers read were, Apian Exhibits, G. Barber. The Best Method of Wintering Bees, D. Anguish. Mr. C. Edmondson was to have read a paper on Which was the most Profitable, Comb or Extracted Honey, but not having prepared one he addressed the meeting, and told them what his experience had been.

It was brought out in the discussion, that the public locked upon and believed that honey, when candied, is adulterated with sugar; but it was a mistake, the majority of the members preferred it to become candied.

The meeting was a profitable one to those who were present. The attendance was greater than ever before, and many new ones enrolled themselves as members.

The retiring President, Mr. J. R. Howell, was appointed a delegate to the Ontario Association. He thanked the members for the honor conferred upon him, and gave the members some good, sound practical advice in regard to their Association.

D. ANGUISH, Sec.

## CHLOROFORM FOR QUIETING.

Will you be so kind as to advise me of your mode of administering chloroform and the results. My object is to bring the matter to the attention of a beekeepers' association which will shortly be held in this county.

F. TOEWS.

Old Town, Greene Co., Ohio.

We take a small barrelled smoker and place an ordinary sized sponge that will just fill the barrel; we then take another one of similar size and put on about a teaspoonful of chloroform, slip it in, then another sponge on top of it. Thus you see we have two sponges without chloroform one above and the other below. Ordinary rags would take the place of sponges, but would cause a waste of chloroform. We then give a little puff of the chloroform in at the entrance of the hive, squeezing the bellows from five to ten times, according to the strength and size of the colony, and the same in the top. This merely stupifies the bees and takes the fight out of them; we then shake them from the hive which we wished to take them from into the one they are to be united with. In short all the bees that were to be united are shook into the one hive, and as they rouse up in a few minutes we close up the hive and give them a few more puffs of chloroform. This will usually suffice, but if no honey is coming in, especially just after a failure of the honey harvest, we would recommend doubling the dose of chloroform, as they are sometimes inclined to quarrel a little after they come to or rather after the effects of the chloroform passes off. It is only necessary to give them sufficient to keep them stupified slightly, that they may have no disposition to fight. Keep them in this state for an hour or so. We have also used chloroform occasionally where bees were killing off the drones, to prevent it till we had time to remove the queen to stop them. This is usually done in colonies in which we keep our choicest drones, and sometimes much neglect our queens that were being fertilized in the hive till bees would commence driving out the drones. We found it especially valuable in mating fertile workers with other colonies, and in introducing queens to fertile worker colonies.

## CAPPINGS.

CUT FROM A VARIETY OF COMBS.

### Close Spacing

**H.** R. BOARDMAN, of East Townsend, O., has experimented a good deal in the direction of close spacing to prevent burr combs, and he sums up the result of his experience, in a late issue of *Gleanings*, as follows:

1. It prevents, or very much reduces, the tendency to build burr combs above the frames. In some colonies, tested where a close bee-space was preserved above the top bars, as well as between them, no burr combs were built at all; but where a wide space was allowed above the frames, more or less combs were built.

2. It secures the combs built of uniform thickness, smooth and even with the frames; consequently,

3. It makes them available for brood to their extreme edges.

4. It increases the capacity of the hive without enlarging it, in my case, one comb.

5. While the capacity of the hive is increased for brood, it is diminished for bees, and, therefore, crowds them out into the surplus apartment; and for the same reason,

6. It enables the bees to cover and protect more comb surface, and consequently to rear more brood and to build up faster.

7. Where natural comb is built it prevents the building of drone comb to a great extent. It will be seen that, in close spacing, the building of natural comb has some decided advantage, as the bees adjust or space their comb centres throughout all their slightest undulations, in a more perfect manner than it is possible to do by any artificial means. The great importance of this is apparent.

One important test yet remains—that of bees building burr combs, and I have set about trying to discover some reasonable answer.

One dollar will give anybody who wants them two papers, which, if taken singly, are worth 75¢ each—THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL and CANADIAN POULTRY JOURNAL.

### MANUM'S BEE CANDY.

While at A. E. Manum's, Ernest Root saw some bee candy, that is so soft that it meets with the approval of the bees. As Ernest says, one trouble with the Good candy is, that it hardens when sent to a colder climate. Mr. Manum adds glycerine, which keeps it soft and pliable under any and all circumstances. The formula for making is:

Eight spoonful of coffee A sugar; one of wheat flour; one of glycerine; two of granulat-

ed honey. First mix the flour with the sugar, then add the glycerine and honey. Let it simmer on the stove until the sugar is dissolved, and then remove to cool.

Could you make a nicer present to a beekeeping friend than a copy of THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL for a year? See in another paragraph how you can do it for 25¢.

### OUR FOUL BROOD INSPECTOR AS VIEWED BY AN ENGLISHMAN.

How small we should all feel to think that the opinion of "X-tractor" who lives "in the hut" in the *British Bee Journal* was not asked as to whether it would be safe for us to allow our Inspector to run around the Province inspecting—bees spreading the disease, as that worthy insinuates. For the information of our friend we may say, that we do what *we do* and what they do over there in England too,—send the leaflet and the Inspector as well. But why pay more attention to the item. Any reasonable man knows that for one hive to which he *might* carry the disease, he will cure one hundred. And if Ontario bee-keepers are not troubled with any more foul brood than the Inspector carries them, they will never lose much from the disease.

They are progressing at a rapid rate with foul brood in Canada, I notice by your extract from the C. B. J., and ominously enough the article is headed "The Inspector's Work." Yes I think a great deal of it will be his work, performed of course in all innocence and meaning well. He examines eighty one apiaries and finds foul brood in 350 stocks, and then, to use his own words, rushes on to other places. Let us fancy here a Government Inspector finding 350 cases of small pox in eighty-one families, and then rushing off, visiting every house he can find and inspecting them! He would surely carry about spores of the disease (his clothing being fomites), and those who were free would probably not be long so. In this old and backward(!) county we have long ago stopped the expert thus spreading the pest. He is the County Inspector. They may well find yard after yard fairly rotten with disease. Well, I suppose I oughtn't to find fault without suggesting a remedy! Why not ask them to take a lesson from our custom as practiced by the Eds. B. B. J.—let their Inspector stay at home and report on pieces of comb sent him from suspected apiaries, burning the infected bits, and enclosing a leaflet of printed instructions as to treatment. As far advanced as we consider ourselves in medical science in the fin de siècle, I thoroughly believe our medical men's visits contribute in no small degree to the spread of zymotic diseases; the precautions they take are paltry in the eyes of—X Tractor.

### TAKING AWAY THE HONEY AFTER THE HARVEST.

Dr. Miller thinks that the experiment we have been trying to a small extent may lead to something. In Gleanings he says:

The C. B. J. reports two cases in which a cluster of bees without combs or stores has hung a good many days in the fall "without visible means of support," but bright and lively. It raises the question as to whether it may not be a good plan to keep bees in this condition "between the close of the surplus honey harvest and the putting of the bees into winter quarters."

H. Alley and E. L. Pratt agree that colonies heavy with stores at the close of the honey season consume these stores, and are no better off in the fall than those that were light. Alley says, "We have come to the conclusion, that, at the end of the honey flow another season, we shall remove nearly all the honey from the brood combs, and thus compel the bees to make their own living from day to day . . . . It strikes me that this plan for retarding brood-rearing and also in economizing the consumption of stores will be successful. If necessary to feed back in the fall, the honey will be on hand for this purpose." This is close in line with D. A. Jones' swarm hanging with no combs. It may lead to something.

If you are a friend to THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL, now is the time to prove it. Read the offers.

#### KEROSENE FOR PROPOLIS.

A writer in Gleanings says, that the handiest way he has found of getting propolis off the hands is to have a small cup of kerosene handy. A few drops will "cut" the gum very satisfactorily.

We are opposed to giving away silver spoons and regaws as premiums. We want the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL to sell itself. If it isn't worth the money without having to throw in a silver thimble, why, we'll, reduce the price, instead of giving the thimble.

WHICH WILL DO THE BEST WORK—A COLONY ALLOWED TO SWARM (INCLUDING THE WORK OF THE SWARM), OR ONE KEPT FROM SWARMING BY HAVING THE QUEEN CAGED OR REMOVED.

The above question was asked through the Question Box of Gleanings, and the answers are extremely varied, the majority believing, that all things considered, the best results will be obtained if the colony be allowed to swarm. Of course the length of the honey season

has much to do with the matter. Mr. P. H. Elwood says:

"This will depend on circumstances—principally on the honey harvest, whether early or late, and whether you remove and return the queen at the proper time. Caging the queen in the hive is a lazy substitution, and will not kill the swarming fever. I have said that a swarm without a queen would work with greater energy than one with a queen, but having a desire to swarm."

Ernest Root comments on the replies as follows:

"These answers are interesting, and I believe P. H. Elwood hits the nail on the head when he says that a swarm without a queen will work with greater energy than one with a queen having a desire to swarm. Granting that bees will work more energetically after they have swarmed, and are in their new home, it is very possible that the same bees have lost time just preparatory to swarming, and while the swarming impulse was upon them; and Mr. Elwood's point is, that, if it should be taken away from them entirely, they will average better. This is an exceedingly interesting and practical question, and if swarming can be controlled in some such way in our out apiaries, as Mr. Elwood and Hetherington do, it means that we can dispense with hired help to watch them, or, in the absence of such help, the loss from runaway swarms."

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#### CRYSTAL HONEY.

This is the heading of a recipe which came into our hands the other day, and we publish it for the edification and amusement of all:

Take ten pounds of good moist (brown) sugar, three pounds soft water two and a half pounds of bee bread honey, forty grams of cream of tartar, twelve drops of the oil of peppermint, half an ounce of gum arabic, ten drops of the essence of wintergreen. Put them into a brass or copper kettle, and let them boil for five minutes. Then take two teaspoonful of pulverized slippery elm bark and mix with one pound of water, then strain it and mix into the kettle. Take it off and beat up the white of two eggs and stir them in, let stand two minutes. then skim it well, and when nearly cold add one pound of pure bee honey, and so on for larger quantities. By adding more slippery elm bark to a proportionate quantity of water, the manufacturer can make it as cheap as he pleases, as a small quantity of slippery elm bark will thicken a pailful of water to the consistency of honey.

N. B.—What we mean by bee bread honey is that made by the bees in the fall of the year to subsist on during the winter, it being much stronger than that made in the spring. If that cannot be procured, honey in the comb will an-

swer the same purpose by putting in one-half pound more than there is given in the recipe but it makes considerable difference in the price.

Did you ever see any unfair comments in the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL on other supply dealer's goods?

#### UNITING BEE IN FALL.

G. M. Doolittle gives minute directions in the above matter in a late issue of Gleanings. Though methods have been often given before in the C. B. J., there may be some points in the following which will be of interest:

"I have just been uniting up some weak colonies of bees, or, rather, large nuclei, as they would be more appropriately termed; and I like the way I did it so well that I thought the readers of Gleanings might wish to know how it was done. In the first place, the queens in a part of the colonies were taken away to fill late orders: but if I did not wish to use the queens not needed in the united colonies, I killed the poorer ones, as I considered them; for, so far as I have practiced this plan, I find that queenless bees are less inclined to quarrel, and are more disposed to stay where put, than are those having queens. Having the queens disposed of from the colonies which are to be united wait three days to a week (three days in any event, so the colonies may realize their queenlessness) for some cool cloudy day when it is from five to ten degrees colder than is required for the bees to fly, when you will find the bees are clustered compactly, something the way they are in winter. When taking the queens away, take all the combs from the hives but three (the three which contain the most honey), and spread these combs about three-fourths of an inch apart, setting them about two inches from the side of the hive so that the bees may be all clustered on these combs instead of hanging to the sides or any part of the hive. The hive which is to receive these bees and combs is to be also prepared beforehand, by taking all the combs but three or four, those being left being the ones having the most honey in them, said combs being placed close to one side of the hive.

When the right day arrives, light your smoker and put on your veil, for in following the plan described you may not be able to use the hands to get a stinging bee off the face as you otherwise would; for doing a part of the operation both hands will be so employed that you cannot use them at anything else. Now go to the hive having the queen, and uncover it giving the bees a little smoke to keep them quiet, and leaving the hive open so that you can set the other frames right in without any hindrance. Next go to ones of those that you took the queen from blowing plenty of smoke in at the entrance while uncovering the hive. Blow a few puffs of smoke around the combs and over them, when the smoker is to be laid down the two front fingers placed between the two first frames near their ends, the large fingers between the second and last frames, while the third and little fingers are placed beyond the third frame. Now close

up with the thumbs and all of the fingers, thus lifting the frames and cluster of bees all out of the hive at once, when they are carried to the open hive, where they are to stay, and sit down in it all together, close up to the frames of bees that are in this hive. Go back and get the smoker, and blow smoke enough on the bees to keep them down, when you can arrange the frames, division board and hive, as you like without very many, if any, bees flying, should a few bees stick to the hive that you took the frames out of, bring the hive to the one having the united colony in it, and brush them out on top of the frames, as they will be pretty well chilled by this time. In doing this you will have to smoke those in the united colony pretty well, or many will fly at you, for these partly chilled bees will throw their poison out on their stings so that the scent of it will anger the bees in the united hive. If you fixed all as it should be, when taking the queens away and preparing for uniting, and smoked the bees as I have told you, there will be only now and then one that will require this last operation, as all will be snugly clustered on the combs. Close the hive as soon as you have things fixed to suit you, when you are to remove every thing from the stand of the colony that was united with the other, so that when the bees come to fly on the first warm day they will find that all that looks like their old home is gone. Some bee will fly or hover over the old spot where home was, but not finding it, will return to the united colony. In this way I never have had any quarrelling of bees, or any queens killed; and it is so simple and easy that I like it much the best of any plan of uniting bees late in the fall.

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#### CARBOLIC ACID TO PREVENT ROBBING.

At the last International Mrs. L. C. Axtell stated that she used carbolic acid to stop bees from robbing weak colonies. Sometimes, says she, when working with bees when no honey is coming in, it will start robbing quite lively. If we take a bunch of grass and wet it, then take the cork out of the bottle of acid, turn it up a time or two against the grass, then mix the grass through and through to even it up, then place it round the entrance of the hive—the robbers will disappear. Rub the combs and around the top with the grass.

If every present subscriber will do as we ask in another paragraph, our subscription list will be doubled. By the plan mentioned you can get your own paper for twenty-five cents. But why not go snooks with your neighbor and each chip in a half dollar.

## FOUL BROOD.

Read at the A. B. K. Convention.

The Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association has, I believe, two or three accredited representatives at this Convention, though but one with portfolio. But as the present membership of our Society would entitle us to a dozen or more delegates, this communication from me will not, I hope, be any encroachment on the time, business, or patience of the meeting. At any rate the paramount importance of the subject I wish to bring before you must be at once my justification and apology.

On looking over the programme for this International Convention of beekeepers, I am not a little surprised to find that the question most vital to them to-day has no place there. I therefore propose to step it under cover of "Volunteer Contributions," and fill the gap thus left open.

The question I refer to as being the most serious and difficult one confronting the apiarist to-day is the "Foul Brood" question.

The other prime difficulties in bee-culture have been removed—the largest obstacles surmounted. The winter problem has been solved; the "spring-swindling" problem is solved; the evolution of the "best bee" is well under way; while a host of other minor matters have been resolved into a multitude of solutions to suit this bee-keeper, that one, and the other one.

The foul brood problem has stood the longest—a defiance to our heads and a menace to our pockets. But it too, has been practically solved, though still hot in theoretical dispute. But one good fact rightly interpreted, ought to kill a dozen dubious, opposing theories. I remember writing when at school from this copy: "Theory is worth but little unless it can explain its own phenomena"—and the idea has been useful to me. Whatever the theories of foul-brood presented, and whatever the drugopathic remedies proposed and predicated thereon, I undertake to say here, that we in Canada, have practically solved the problem of cure, during the past season.

As soon as I became satisfied of this, I sought to convince our big cousin over there of the important fact, but apparently with poor success—that is so far as the periodicals and professionals are concerned. I wrote to the two leading American bee-periodicals on the subject, sending a copy of our "Foul-Brood Bulletin" to each, and suggesting that they give their readers the benefit of its contents. The contents, however did not appear, though, of course my own letters did.

Our inspector (before his appointment, however), wrote out this method of successfully treating foul-brood, and sent it to another American periodical, that number of which was to be wholly taken up with the foul-brood subject. This communication did not appear, it contained a great truth, and perhaps more valuable information for those scourged with the foul-brood, than all else that appeared in that number.

Now, "brethering," (I mean ye three editors, and doubtless all present), please bear in mind that this is not meant for an attack on you or

your periodicals. I attack brother "Jonathan," for I suspect he is to blame. That tremendously big brother of ours, armed with the McKinley Bill, is just now straightening himself up in our presence, and giving us a withering glance—"on the slant" The "sovereign" citizens of his have no doubt caught the infection, and naturally enough imagine that "no good thing can come of Nazareth," or Canada.

Be that as it may, I repeat and reiterate for the benefit of whom it may concern, that we have practically solved the foul-brood question in Canada—that is, so far as its successful treatment is concerned, and that, of course, is the main point; and we shall charge you nothing for the information of how it was done. Though you may be unwilling to import the "furrin" article without a tariff or McKinley-tax, we shall nevertheless smuggle it in to you by "Her Majesty's mail" and "Uncle Sam's post."

By this little digression we mean nothing amiss. It is only a friendly return of harmless banter which I sometimes observe coming over here, from down there. Nor do we mean to boast over our achievement in apicultural therapeutics. Our determination to give you this information how to cure foul brood does not arise from that motive. On the other hand the motive may not be wholly benevolent or disinterested. There may be a trifle of selfishness about it, but of a kind beneficial to you as well as ourselves.

The matter stands thus: Foul-brood has been and is scourging bee-keepers everywhere in the Eastern Continent as well as this, and to an extent not generally known. We, in Ontario, have undertaken to grapple with it, and overcome it. We are successfully accomplishing the task, and we want our nearest neighbors "over there" to do the same, not only for their benefit, but that they may not injure us. You will now perceive that our motive is both egotistic and altruistic, but for the ultimate good of both countries. In view of the fact that there is considerable interchange of bees and honey between the two countries, our solicitude is not unnatural or unreasonable.

We intend to stamp out the pest here, and we offer you the advice to do the same there, and the instructions how to do it. Though the "great guns" and the tribunes may be too high to look toward Nazareth, the poor sufferers are not, of which fact I have had ample evidence lately; and this is the chief reason why I write this letter to the International Convention of bee-keepers. Since my letters, above referred to, appeared in the American Journal and Gleanings, I have had many inquiries from the different States of the Union, and applications for our foul-brood pamphlet. I responded to all though the work was considerable.

To cover this ground, and meet this want, I shall here give in concise form the desired information—how to cure foul-brood among the bees—in a simple hygienic manner, without the aid of drug or druggist, and outside of, as well as during the honey season. Of course, during a honey flow is the best time for operating.

In the evening remove the bees and queen from the deceased colony, and place them in a clean hive, with four Italian starters. Four days

afterwards take away all combs and starters from them, and give them full sheets of foundation, or empty comb which you know to be free from the taint of disease. The colony is now cured, and will rear brood, healthy and free from the disease, until contracted again through the ingathering of diseased honey, or otherwise. The honey is the chief, if not the only medium of the contagion, and one drop of affected honey brought into a healthy colony, if used for larval food, is sufficient to start the disease. This is a very important fact, constantly to be borne in mind, in order to prevent the spread of the disease. The diseased honey may be rendered innocuous by boiling, and the combs by rendering into wax, the dross to be buried.

To save the healthy part of the brood taken from diseased colonies, fill empty hives from the frames of brood, and fill the entrances securely for two or three days, attending to warmth if the weather is cool, and to ventilation should it be hot. Then open the entrance; and as soon as the healthy brood is all hatched, put the young bees through exactly the same process as the old ones, described above, give them a queen or a cell, and they, too, are cured. All the honey taken from both the young and the old colony must be boiled before it is given to the bees, and all the combs melted into wax.

To cure a foul-broody colony in the fall, after the honey season is over, remove the bees and queen from their hive and place them in a clean hive, with as many frames of healthy, sealed honey or syrup, as may be required for winter. The combs must be completely filled and sealed so that the bees will retain the diseased honey they may bring with them, until it is digested, instead of depositing it in the combs, and so that the queen may have no place to deposit eggs until all the danger is past.

This is the simple plan of curing foul-brood followed by Mr. McEvoy, our inspector, and is invariably successful. He has treated hundreds of cases during the past season, without a single failure. Since he began his official work, in May last, under our Act, he has examined nearly a hundred apiaries and a thousand colonies. Many whole apiaries that were fairly rotten with the disease, are now perfectly sound and healthy.

By the method given, any and every form and stage of the disease, from the simplest to the most malignant, may be cured. The proof of this in its amplitude, is before us; and this is why I say, and say again, that so far as the cure of foul-brood is concerned, we have practically solved the problem here in Canada this year.

This is reason enough for my persistency in pressing the matter on your attention, for I have not the slightest doubt that when the truth becomes known to you, as it is now known to us, the disease will be found to be as prevalent there as it is, or was here. Little did I suspect its wide extent and fatal ravages, until the machinery of the law disclosed the facts.

We now ask you to follow our example in this wholesome remedial work. What did we do and what have we done? At the risk of unduly lengthening this epistle to the modern Gentiles, I shall summarise that work, though

it may be a repetition of what I have previously written to the bee-periodicals.

At our last annual meeting, the fact was disclosed that foul-brood existed, and was making rapid headway in sections of this Province. We at once took steps to secure the requisite Legislation to aid us in its suppression. We went to work with a will, and within the short space of three months the fruit of our endeavor was an "Act for the Suppression of Foul-Brood among Bees," passed by our Provincial Legislature. The working of this Act goes to prove that is the best of its kind in existence, of which we have any knowledge.

Under its provisions, resisting the inspector in the discharge of his duties is a penal offence. Exposing diseased honey, comb, or other article, is a penal offence. Selling diseased bees is a penal offence; also other acts conducive to the spread of the disease and inimical to the public interests.

We have also a pamphlet on the subject, embracing a copy of the Act, modes of treatment, etc., which we induced the Government to issue as an official Bulletin, under the Department of Agriculture. This pamphlet is printed in English and German, and has been distributed among seven to eight thousand Ontario bee-keepers. "Go thou and do likewise."

ALLEN PRINGLE.

Selby, Ont.

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### The Review is a Review.

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Like your correspondent "Observer," I have been out of print for some time. Mayhap your readers would be just as well pleased if we remained out, because we belong to that class at which some people turn up their nose and say "they are a pack of shoysters who have not the manliness to come out into the daylight, but be hid behind the bush and shoot off their pop-gun with the hope of annoying some one." Such I believe is not the intention of either Observer or myself. If unpalatable things are said they are said with the intention of doing good; to remind people that things may not be as they appear to them is not necessarily unjust or discourteous.

According to expressed opinions there is an opening for Review and reviewers. There is but one paper on the list of Bee-keepers periodicals that makes any pretensions to be a Review, but you, and others as well as you, declare the Review is not a review, but a "topical paper." How very hyper-critical we are becoming. Even the mild spoken Dr. Miller tells Mr. Hutchinson to his face, his paper is not what its title implies. Granted it is not, most of the other bee papers are open to the same charge. If we work away from Flint to Medina, Chicago and Beeton, we will discover in the title of their papers the same inconsistency, and will be apt

to ask the oft repeated question "what's in a name." To "Gleanings," what its name implies, Does it confine itself to gathering up the stray heads that remain strewn over the agricultural harvest field after the reapers have carried off the crop. I fancy Mr. Root would be the first to repudiate the charge, that he allows his confederates to monopolize the rich grain and contents himself with gleaning the loose and broken heads that lie entangled in the stubble. Such work is right enough in its way, and has the dignity of age stamped upon it. But Mr. Root will not admit this is the sole work that Gleaning's does, nor would his patrons allow him to do so if it were his will. It is true that he has lately added force to such a charge by employing Dr. Miller to gather up the "stray straws" and bind them in the Editorial bundle, and by taking the reports of important meetings at second hand.

Are the American Bee Journal and the C. B. J. what their name implies?—a daily record of what happens, for I believe this to be what "Journal" means. They are frequently the records of a year, when they might as appropriately be called "Annuals." Witness their oft repeated "I commenced the season with so many, spring comb; increased to so many; took so much honey and put so many into winter quarters."

I venture the statement that the Review is more true to name than any other bee paper published in the country. I assert that the Review is a review. The word means "to look back again." It means a second view—a re-examination with a view to amendment and improvement. An examination of the respective numbers of Hutchinson's paper will show that the subject matter in each is a looking back upon—a re-examination of that which has already appeared, with recommendations and suggestions by the editor and his chosen critics, with a view to improvement. It is true extraneous matter sometimes creeps into its columns, but reviewing is its main feature. Is not the very last issue a review of our bee papers with a view to amendment. It will do good, too, if their editors do not consider themselves too clever to be taught—an error they are apt to fall into.

Well! well! when I commenced I did not know what I was going to say, and here I find myself running full tilt against some of our agricultural giants, and feebly attempting to pale the light of our greatest luminaries, and now that I feel somewhat aggressively inclined I would like to go for some more of them.

The doctrine taught by that man Hedlon is

something startling. He tells us it pays to be honest; it is the most selfish thing a man can do. Our children should be taught that honesty is the best policy; that virtue is its own reward; that they cannot afford to be dishonest.

All these things being taught from a purely selfish motive, wholly pertaining to the affairs of this world. That honesty is the best policy the thief only will deny. That we should be honored from no higher motive than selfishness is a damnable doctrine. A man that is honest only because it is policy to be honest is not a safe man to trust. I suppose W. H. is honest in the expression of his opinion, so is

No. 2.

#### A VISIT TO MR. ALLEN PRINGLE.

During the latter half of November I took a two-weeks respite from business, and journeyed eastward to the parental abode, situate in the town of Prescott, a place of some three thousand inhabitants. There I enjoyed a rest and at the same time did up some literary work which has been in arrears for months. Coming back I dropped off at Napanee, and was there met by Mr. Pringle, to whom I had sent word of my intention to spend a day with him, in response to former kind invitations. Getting into a comfortable covered buggy, which was drawn by a neat little iron gray pony, we drove about five miles to Mr. Pringle's residence, which is about three-quarters of a mile west of Selby, a small post village in the county of Lennox. The roads from Napanee were excellent for the time of year, being smooth and hard. I had rather dreaded the rough ride for I had anticipated that the roads were perhaps on a par with those around Beeton. We arrived at the Pringle homestead a little after six in the evening, and I was very cordially welcomed by Mrs. Pringle. The ride had been a cold one, but an excellent hot dinner and a good warm fire soon thawed us out. At the time of my visit the members of Mr. Pringle's household consisted of himself and wife, an only daughter, an intelligent young lady of eighteen summers, and her governess. After Mr. Pringle and I had discussed bee-matters for a while, the ladies joined us and the remainder of the evening was spent very pleasantly in conversation, music and song. Miss

Pringle is a thorough pianist, playing most difficult pieces correctly, and with an ease that made me envious of her skill. Mrs. Pringle and her daughter played several duets very nicely, and Mrs. P. sang a good old Scotch song with much feeling. Altogether the evening was one which I thoroughly enjoyed, and I trust Mr. P. will excuse the liberty I have taken in giving this glimpse of his home life. Being after dark when we reached the house in the evening I did not have an opportunity to take a turn around the bee yard (or rather the spot where the bee-yard had been, for all the bees had been put into the cellar a couple of weeks previous) till the following morning. We however took a peep at the bees in the cellar. The portion which was partitioned off as a bee-repository was pretty well filled up, there being something over a hundred colonies in the place, but everything was quiet and comfortable. The hives were packed one above the other from floor to ceiling and very close together. There were all the necessary means for ventilation at hand; in one corner of the room a pipe led from the cellar to the outer air, while another pipe came down through the floor connecting with the pipe of the cooking range above, and extending down to the cellar floor. At the time of our visit the thermometer stood: at the top of cellar 48° and at the bottom 42°. Mr. Pringle keeps two thermometers, one near the floor and the other close to the ceiling of the cellar.

#### AN ACCURATELY ADJUSTABLE ENTRANCE.

Mr. Pringle uses a rather novel kind of entrance, which he says just suits his purpose. It certainly is easily adjustable, and nothing can change it very well when the entrance has been regulated to suit the requirements of the colony. The front board of the hive is cut off so that the entrance is fully two inches high and extends clear across the hive. Now instead of using entrance blocks a piece of tin or zinc is cut the length of the front of the hive and three or three-and-a-half inches wide, the top is turned over or rolled so as to admit of lifting up or down easily, and it works in slides on the front of the hive. Out of the bottom of the zinc is cut a strip  $\frac{3}{8}$  x 2 in., midway between the two

ends. A second piece of tin or zinc is then cut  $1\frac{1}{2}$  x 6 in. Through the centre of this last piece is cut a slot  $\frac{1}{4}$  x 4 in. and out of one side and at the end of this piece is then cut a piece  $\frac{5}{16}$  x 2 in., a and out of the other corner a similar strip is cut  $\frac{1}{8}$  x 2 in. A rivet is then used to fasten this piece to the larger one, so that it can be pushed backward and forward at pleasure, and it comes exactly even with the bottom of the large piece. When the sheet of tin is pushed close down to the bottom board, and the slide opened out to its fullest extent, the entrance is  $\frac{5}{16}$  x 2 in., and by closing this up any width of entrance can be had, and maintained accurately. In case of robbing the slide is pushed clear to the other side, and an entrance  $\frac{1}{8}$  x 2 in. is thus had, which admits of ventilation and prevents the ingress of robbers; while in case of very hot weather the whole front may be used as an entrance or for ventilation purposes, by simply lifting up the tin entrance arrangement. For wintering purposes it can also be lifted up and a full entrance given.

Mr. Pringle's bee yard is located close to the house in the orchard, and in the rear is his honey-extracting house and workshop. In this house everything is kept neat, clean and tidy, and everything about the place betokens the methodical man. Mr. P. is evidently a firm believer in the adage, "a place for everything and everything in its place," and I venture the opinion that no matter how dark the night, he could without a light, go and put his hand on almost anything about the place that might be asked for. There is no question but that Mr. P. is a great worker. Besides nearly all the work of the farm, (he keeps only a boy during the winter) to which he gives his personal attention, he has a large correspondence and does much writing for the press. I have often thought that but few people were kept much busier than myself, but I believe I can make one exception in favor of Mr. Pringle, who is constantly at work.

I have nearly forgotten to mention the little forest of basswood trees which Mr. Pringle has set during the past season, reference to which was made in one of Mr. Pringle's articles in the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL. Besides those already set out, he has another large batch,

which he received from Mr. F. C. Matthews, of Hamilton late in the fall, bedded in the cellar for transplanting first thing in the spring. These are the most perfect young basswood trees he has ever seen, and he looks for great things from them.—F. H. M.

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The American Beekeeper, published by the W. T. Falconer, Mfg Co., Jamestown, N. Y., will make its appearance January 1st. Editorially it will be in charge of Mr. D. E. Merrill. Friend Newman's attention is called to the similarity of the first two words in the name of this paper, with the good old American Bee Journal.

We acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the Watertown Gazette, which contains a full description of the immense new buildings of G. B. Lewis & Co., which replace those burned last spring. It is the largest building in that city and more labor is employed by the Messrs. Lewis' than by any other firm in Watertown.

Along with two copies of the A. B. C. of Strawberry Culture, which came to hand a few days ago, was a letter of apology from our good friend A. I. Root, which, however, was entirely unnecessary. We know how easily oversights will occur in a large business. We have not had time to look into the book thoroughly, but a cursory glance reveals a mine of practical information regarding that most luscious of small fruits—the strawberry. There are little short cuts and conveniences mentioned in the book that are alone worth several times the price. Send for a copy; price by mail, 40c. Address, A. I. Root, Medina, O.

Visitors to Montreal find the printing establishment of the Family Herald and Weekly Star to be one of the most interesting sights of the town. On Publication days, Tuesday and Wednesdays, all day long there is the hum of the gigantic lightning presses turning out com-

plete copies of the Family Herald and Weekly Star at the rate of twenty-two thousand copies an hour, printed, cut and folded by automatic machinery without being touched by hand. Then there is an army of men and women operating the machines that put on the address labels, following which they are turned over to gangs of mailers preparing the papers for delivery to the post office by mammoth expresses. One of the busiest places in this country is the office of the family Herald and Weekly Star, Montreal.

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Just as we go to press we are advised by the Secretary of the O. B. K. A. that the Court House, St. Catharines, has been placed at the disposal of the Association for their use at the annual meeting January 7-8, 1891. The G. T. R. and C. P. R. will both give the usual reduced rates. A number of papers will be read, particulars of all of which have not come to hand. Dr. A. E. Harvey, of Wyoming, will present an essay on "the various kinds of bees and their respective values." Messrs. C. W. Post, D. A. Jones and others will also read papers. The foul-brood Inspector's report will be presented and will be full of interest; we hope to give a full programme in next issue.

There is great disappointment throughout the Dominion at the announcement that the publishers of the Montreal Star are too busy with their regular subscription and advertising business to allow of their completing a Christmas Star this year. These Christmas Stars are such gems that it is very generally hoped the publishers will see their way clear to continue their publication.

### Catalogues Received.

A. I. Root, Medina, O.—Seventy-second edition catalogue and price list of everything in the apiary—revised to January, 1891.

E. H. Cook, Andover, Conn.—Bee-keepers' club list for 1890-1.

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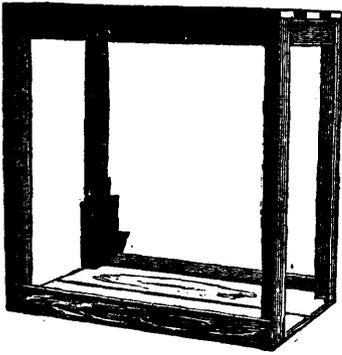
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