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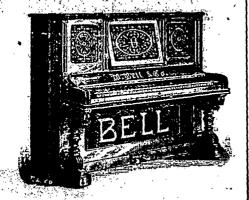
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EDITORIAL.

RO. Newman of the A. B. J. has been appointed judge of bees, honey and supplies at Detroit.

The Rich lawsuit will be carried to the Court of Appeal if bee-keepers to the number of 1000 will patriotically rally around the Union.

Our Own Aplary.

SWARMING TO EXCESS.

UMEROUS enquiries have been made regarding the causes of the excessive swarming in many localities this year. There are so many causes that lead to excessive swarming that it would occupy too much space to enumerate them all, but one of the principal is a slow, steady flow of honey and especially if the nectar is thin, it stimulates the bees to breeding and gives them the swarming fever. After they get the swarming fever they retain it some time. We have known colonies to persist in swarming in spite of many efforts to prevent them.

We think if the old queen was moved and the newly hived swarm placed on the old stand excessive swarming would be checked. Hiving the young swarm and placing it by the side of the old one, keeping them side by side until about the seventh day without moving

lowing all the workers that had marked their location to return to the new colony on the old stand, has very seldom failed to give good results. system of tiering up may be adopted as

a means of prevention.

We think we are quite safe in saying that the swarming business can be entirely controlled by the apiarist by proper manipulations and care. But we do not think it advisable to prevent judicious increas: Small hives, or rather small brood chambers, have a strong tendency to incite excessive swarming. By the tiering up system we can have small brood chambers, getting the bees strong early. Then with the perforated metal queen ex-: cluding honey board we can keep the queen within bounds giving the bees plenty of room for storing so that the brood chamber does not become crowded with bees and honey.

By studying carefully the bees' habits and watching the season, giving them the necessary attention at the right time will, we think, keep off the difficulty complained of, though some of our most experienced bee masters report an unusual number of swarms this seas-Thin, stimulative honey was no

doubt the cause.

BEES RETURNING HOME WHEN MOVED.

We moved most of the bees in our home apiary as we fold you, north west to the new location, in order to catch the fall pasture, and tho ight on account the old colony to the new location, al- of its being over two miles that it was

by each colony.

perfectly sale, that they would not return to their summer stands. But, to our surprise, thousands and tens of thousands returned the next day laden with honey, hunting for their hives. appears that they had flown out without marking their new location properly and had gone off gathering honey from, the same locality and bringing it to the hives in Beeton. They seemed to fancy that they ought to go back to the Beeton apiary. A great number entered other hives, many of them to be destroyed. Of course this will depopulate the colonies moved of many of their working forces and will necessarily lessen the quantity of honey gathered

This far they are doing a land office I mean those that are tleft in They should have their new homes. been smoked thoroughly and the hives rapped or disturbed in some way so that when they came out they would mark their location which would have prevented them from returning to their old We have frequently moved stands. bees and had none of them return, but the reason these returned was that they had been day after day gathering honey and going direct to Becton with it from the same flowers.

Has anybody else ever had a similar experience to this, because it would seem that bees which have been gathering in one locality, and after they have become thoroughly acquainted with the route to and from it, after being moved will return to the old stands after they have filled themselves with honey.

In our other apiary they seem to be gathering liberally from snap dragon, bond set; and the various kinds of asters. The honey yield in these flowers. was beginning to wane on account of the dry weather within the last day or two. A couple of good showers have changed things very much and I have never seen the bees working so much on 'In fact as you asters in this locality. walk through and shake the flowers the bees rise from them in swarms. If this state of things continues a short time we several thousand pounds shall have more to extract.

Bonr. Puntars —I believe the Poulity Week-ly has got me interested in the head as well as the bles. I believe I will make a start.

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A Preventive of Foul Brood.

RITISH bee keepers are still descussing formic acid and acids generally as a remedy for foul brood. In the B. B. J. for August 22nd is an article by Mr. R. A. H. Grimshaw which is worthy of more than a cursory reading. We give a digest of the same though arranging the subject matter in different order to the author.

CAUSE OF FOUL BROOD.

Impaired health, or peculiar condition of the blood of the mother bee, renders it more susceptible to disease than if in a robust vigorous state. Is it not probable that through lack or failure in secreting formic or other acids, in consequence of degeneracy or ill health, the result of some neglect on the part of the bee-keeper, the blood of the bee becomes too alkaline, and is then in this condition a perfect cultivation fluid for th: bacilli, for we know that in artificial cultures of most micro-organisms acidity is death to the germ; consequently if such exist in the culture medium it has to be neutralized by the addition of alkalies. If so in the artificial culture it should be so in the natural, an undue proportion of alkali heing favorable to germ growth and the c mverse.

We do know this, that the best working, healthiest bees we can find certainly do not run short of acidity, either in temper or poison; and if we believe in the formic acid cure for foul brood, still further use for the poison bag by the bee apparent; it will carry its own cure about with it, and apply it in brood food and general disinfection ad libitum

ITS PREVENTION

When foul brood is abroad, or when disease of any kind is about, I think we ought to use the best preventive possible by giving our bees such food as will. render them, in all probability, proof against disease; and this it seems to me, can best be done by feeding syrnp. strongly acidulated, whether such acid be formic, acetic, or what not does it mattér.

All gur attention should be directed. to rend ring the life fluid of the bee best. fitted to resist the growth of one and all the forms of death dealing micro-organ-Madeo F. O., Out. this can best be done by a good percentage of acid being given in food when workers or queens show signs of ill health or flagging energy.

For the Canadian Ber Journal.
Endorses C. B. Jones.

ROM the standpoint of a practical beekeeper I would like to add a few words to
those of Mr. Steinhoff, in approval of Mr.
G. B. Jones' efforts to interest the public
in the honey bee. I have heard two, of his lectures and so fascinated was I with them that at
considerable inconvenience and when very tired
I went a second time to each. The intense interest and the enthusiasm of the audience (many
members of which, like myself, have gone twice)
showed that a door is open for these lectures,
and I believe that Mr. Jones should be encouraged and helped by bee-keepers in the good work
he has begun, for incalculable benefit to the fraternity must result.

I have kept bees many years, during which time I have read and studied much, but I have never seen the cream of all apicultural knowledge so carefully collected and excellently compiled for the object in view (or for any object) as it is in these lectures. I don't think any intelligent person could listen for ten minutes to one of them and not become greatly interested. The lectures are composed of deliberate asser, tions of most positively established and intensely interesting facts-no drawing on the imagination or propounding end denouncing of theories, but positive though astounding truth clearly put about these marvellous creatures and their life. Amusing incidents in bee life are most aptly put, so that there is no dryness or weariness in the story; in fact so free are these lectures from any tendency to fatigue the audience that people sit for two hours and then, after most flattering remarks are made by movels and seconders of votes of thanks most enthusiastically carried, they call for more information and ask curious questions.

Every bee keeper should hear Mr. Jones, and I would respectfully suggest that the Ontario bee-keepers' Association arrange for a course of these really useful. Ectures in Toronto during the next Industrial Exhibition, they could be made then a great treat and instruction for bee-keepers and their triends in the city at the time. Might it not be advisable that the association should engage Mr. Jones to give these lectures through the country this winter.

JACOB SPENCE,

Toronto, Sept. 5, 1889.

HONEY.

THE SEASON WORSE THAN THE TWO PRECEEDING. THOSE were false prophets who predicted a good honey crop this year. It is even worse than the two or three preceeding years. The Middle Atlantic States have been subjected to a literal downpour of rain for the last three or four months, with a fair prospect of a continuance of the same. Applebloom was about two weeks earlier than common, and the weather was warm and reasonably fair, so the bees did well and got a good start. Some of the strongest colonies prepared for swarming. Locust, which is abundant here, and poplar (tulip) came into bloom early, following closely the fall of the apple-blossoms, and the bees for a day or so after the opening had warm weather, and fairly tumbled over each other when carrying in their harvest. But the second day after the honey-flow, came the flood of rain, which did not let up tilf the locust and poplar blossoms were destroyed. White and alsike clover were in the meantime pushing out their blossoms, but the bees could snatch only an hour now and then—seldom a whole day—to gather the nectar. Some of the very strongest colonies filled a case of sections, mostly in a skimped, rounded off indifferent manner, after their fashion when supplies are scarce.

The rain has continued, day and night, all the time, and the bees had to live partially on what they had gathered. If it ever clears up the asters, goldenrods, heart's ease, and other fall honey-producing weeds will give a good fall crop, the wet season having given them a good start; but that little champion "if" stands in the middle of the path of prediction, defying the wisdom of sages. No honey worth naming is the return from all of the Atlantic States, which I believe will include all the country east of the Alleghanies.—E. E. Ewing, in Gleaning. Rising Sun, Md.

WEIGHING BEES.

THE EXACT NUMBER OF BEES IN ONE POUND.

"little black bee," the insinuation being that in size it is greatly inferior to the Italian. The so called black bee way the bee of England and America until less than lifty years ago, and any English statistics that we may have prior to that time, undoubtedly refer to the black bee.

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weight of certain numbers, etc., and I weighed several lots to determine this point. My determinations varied between 4,500 and 5,000 bees to the pound. I preferred, however, to give the series of determinations by Keys, who wrote nearly one hundred years ago, and who gives 4,640 bees to the pound. He also gives the number of drones, etc. See Dictionary, page twelve.

I was led to give Keys as the authority, because 4,000 bees to the pound was the number adopted by dealers generally. It impressed me at that time, that if these dealers were correct, then the bee under cultivation by them (which is almost always the Italian), must be larger than the bee of 100 years ago, in the proportion of 4.5 to 4 (the inverse ratio of the number per pound). But not being quite satisfied as to the trustworthiness of the dealers data, especially in view of my own experiments, I did not embody this inference in the article, or allude to it.

Now comes Mr. A. I. Root with a new and carefully made determination, in which he gives 5,333 bees to the pound, instead of 4,000 as previously published by him; but he estimates that if the bees had very much honey in their sacs, the number might be reduced to 5000 to the pound. If we accept these data as correct, it is evident that the bee has not increased in size during the last hundred years.

Keys tells us that the results of such weighings will never come out twice alike, owing to the difference in the fullness of the bees. Collin gives 5,000 bees to the pound, when in their normal condition, and 4,300 when filled with honey—a difference of 800 bees to the pound. Keys, no doubt, gave an average, and he has struck very nearly midway between the two determinations of Collin. An exact number would have been 4,700 instead of 4,640.

Numerous attempts have been made to increase the size of the bee, by increasing the size of the cell, and when foundation was brought forward, it was thought that this question had been solved; but the plan did not work. Neither does the bee seem to deteriorate in size by the gradual filling up of the cells with the occoons of the young bees. However careless Nature may be of individual bees, and individual colonies, she seems to be wonderfully careful of her types.—John Phin in American B. J.

Send five cents for samples of our litho graphed and other honey labels. It pays to have your packages bear your name, and adarter. Honey tastily labelled first ready sale.

COMB HONEY.

HOW TO CARE FOR COMB-HONEY, WHERE TO KEEP IT, BTC.

S the season for caring for honey is here, and as I am convinced by conversations with some bee keepers, as well as people generally, that a great many do not know how care for honey, a few words may not come amiss at this time on the subject.

In the first place, there is no hurry about taking it off the hives. The bees can care for it
more cheaply, and even if it is not quite so white
as when taken off earlier, its flavor is improved
by perfect ripening, which to my mind, more
than compensates for the slightly darker shade
which the comb presents.

If taken off during warm weather it will sometimes be spoiled by the larve of the bee-moth. The combs can be fumigated with sulphur in a tight box or room, but this is seldom necessary, and is not practised to any extent by the best honey producers. If comb honey is produced by the best methods there will be scarcely any pollen cells in it, and in the absence of these the moths do little harm. A worm is seldom; seen. n surplus honey unless there is pollen in some of the cells. When honey is taken off the hive, if in small sections containing only one comb each, it can be held up to the light and every cell of pollen detected. If these are kept by themselves and used or sold first, the rest will be comparatively free from moths.

Honey should never be kept in a cellar—neither comb nor extracted. That is the worst possible place for it. It will gather moisture or "sweat," and soon become "off flavor," if not positively sour. Store it in a dry, warm room if possible (safe from mice), then it will keep ten years. It will not granulate so soon in a warm room, and its flavor will improve. I now have some that is three years old, and it is not candied, but is so thick that it will not run. Extracted honey cannot be kept in too warm a room.—Eugene Secor, Forest City, Iowa, in Iowa Homestead.

BEE NOTES.

BEES NEAR A HIGHWAY—CROSS BEES—FALL HONEY, ETC.

EES should not be placed near a street or driveway. If a person is so situated as to be compelled to keep them in such a place, a high board fence is quite a protection against trouble; or a row of high trees or a building—in fact anything that will compel them to rise high, when they fly from the hive. When they are thus situated, persons

living in the vicinity, would not be aware of colonies near, as they rise up out of the way of mischief.

CROSS BRES.—When there has been a good flow of honey, and it suddenly ceases, bees are excited over it, and sometimes are ready to sting anybody or anything that comes in their way. This year, at the close of the basswood harvest, mine attacked a coop of broody hens. Seeing a commotion among these cackling aspirants for motherhood, I divined the cause, and opened the door, when the hens made a 'bee-line' for the raspberry bushes. The cat made frantic leaps into the air, with her tail somewhat resembling a rolling pin. When the bees are cross, it is folly to open a hive.

Fall Honey.—This season hives are very populous and bloom is abundant, yet there is no security that there will be a flow of honey. Hot nights and days are necessary for the secretion of nectar, and yet nights continue week after week to be very cold. There has not been a full crop of honey harvested in Peoria county so far. and those who rushed their honey off to the local market, may wish they hadn't before the season closes.

FEEDING BEES .-- I have some nuclei that are not well supplied with the needful honey. Hence, I have been giving them the cappings from the extracted honey to clear up. I take out a panful loosely, and set it in the cap of the hive, making a little aperture for the bees to come up through. It is, of course, apparent that no bees gain access to it from the outside. or robbing will be induced. I lately came to grief in this way; I placed a pan of cappings in the top of a hive and failed to shut. down the cover closely. Soon the whole apiary was demoralized, robbing and stinging being the order of exercises. I not only got stung myself by the bees, but the whole family heaped reproaches upon me for my carelessness in making the bees so cross.-Mrs. L. Harrison, in Prarie Farmer. Peoria, Illa.

Systematic Work,

SOME AND EXTRACTED HONEY IN THE SAME APIARY.

S it well to produce both comb and extracted honey in one apiary, or shall we divide the number of colonies kept, into two yards, working the one for comb honey, and the other for extracted?

This is a question which often enters the minds of those keeping bees, some thinking that both comb and extracted honey production should not be mixed together in one apiary. I see little if any reason why two yards are neces-

sary for a mixed production of honey, therefore
I will say a few words why I should produce
both in one apiary.

Twenty years ago, when I began to keep bees. I had much trouble to get certain colonies to work in boxes, and often after a colony had nearly completed a given number of boxes, they would begin to swarm, leaving the bees in the hive so weak as to numbers that the boxes would remain unfinished at the end of the season.

I tried cutting out the queen-cells and returning the swarm, but this did little good, for in a few days they would come out again and thus keep up their swarming till the honey season was over, doing little or nothing in the boxes, as bees having the swarming fever will do little else save preparing to swarm.

As I had no extractor at that time, the only way that I could do away with this state of affairs was to clip off all of the queen-cells while the swarm was out, cage the queen between two combs and return the swarm, leaving the queen thus caged for eight or ten days. At the expiration of this time the colony was looked over and all of the queen cells again cut off, when the queen was given her liberty.

As nearly one half of the brood had hatched during this time, there was plenty of empty cells in which she could deposit eggs and as the bees had no larvæ to nurse, the disposition to swarm was broken up, as a rule, and I would get the boxes completed; but it will be noticed that during those eight or ten days, I got little or no honey, as queenless beestand those having the swarming fever, are practically good for nothing as comb builders, and a colony treated as above was about as good as queenless.

The result was that I lost ten days of the best of the honey harvest, during which time a colony not having the swarming fever would store from forty to sixty pounds of honey. This was a serious loss, but not so great as to have the swarm in a separate hive, in which case I would get nothing but the swarm.

After a while I purchased a honey extractor, when I found I had this swarming mania, of colonies which should be in better business, practically under my control. When a swarm issued as above, I would extract all the honey from the brood-combs while they were out, and clip off the queen cells, when they would go to work with a will on being returned, losing all desire to swarm.

Here I had a plan that accomplished the desired result without the loss of ten days in my best harvest, besides I obtained extracted honey enough to pay me for my time, while in the other case I received nothing.

Now and then a colony would not be cured in this way (although nine out of ten would), in which case I would cage the queen as first given, and wait two or three days instead of nine or ten; when I would extract the honey as above, letting the queen loose, and in this way I never failed inkeeping a colony which had once commenced in the boxes at work on the same.

In case a colony refuses to go into the boxes, all I have to do is to take off the surplus arrangement and substitute an upper story in the shape of a hive full of empty combs. By raising a frame or two of brood from below into this upper story I was thus master of the situation, and colonies determined not to work in boxes were made to produce an equivalent yield of honey by the use of the extractor equal to those which entered the boxes the most readily.

The aim of every person keeping bees should be, to make all colonies produce an equal value of something readily turned into cash, for of a cash value, and I do not know how this can be successfully done except as we work our apiary for both comb and extracted honey.

Again, we often have a larger number of bees than one man can successfully work for comb honey (which means swarms, taking off sections when filled and snow white, by going over the yard once a week, etc.), while by using but a part of that number for extracted honey, the whole can be handled by one man, thus saving the wages of an assistant, which would become a necessity if all worked for comb honey, or the same number of bees were divided into two yards.

By setting apart, in the spring, a certain number of colonies for extracted honey, and a certain number for comb honey, one man can care for all by tiering up those worked for extracted honey before his time is fully occupied with working for comb honey, after which little attention need be paid to them, except to add another story, should they become crowded for

After the filled sections are all taken off at the close of the season, then these colonies can be attended to by extracting what honey they take to spare, and fixing them for winter. Thus the apiarist can use all of his time to the best possible advantage, and save to himself and family that which he would pay out to an assistant in case he had the same bees in two separate yards.

From the above (which are the very plans adopted and used at the present time by the writer), I conclude that all will agree that it is the most profitable for the apiarist to work for

both comb and extracted honey in the same apiary, rather than to have two separate apiaries, one to be devoted to the production of either kind exclusively.—G. M. Doburrus, in American Bee Journal.

Borodine, N. Y.

A Few Reports. ONTARIO.

DUFFERIN.

About the middle of the month we had heavy rains followed by several cool cloudy days. Since then the weather has been favorable and honey has been coming in brisk from fall flowers principally golden-rod. The past week has been excessively hot although the nights are cool; colonies are very strong and cluster out considerably, occasionally a swarm issues. The honey is bright yellow in color and of good body. The demand is brisk, prices firmer, 10c. wholesale for extracted, 15c. for comb.

GEO. WOOD.

Monticello.

PERTH.

The flow from golden-rod has been excellent during the past two weeks, and all the brood chambers filled to overflowing, in fact, so much so that all my supers that were removed at the close of the whole honey harvest have again been replaced on the hives. Do not recollect of any such a flow here before. No fears of having to feed this fall but instead a good surplus of dark honey. Breeding has however been retarded somewhat on account of the queen being crowded out, but no doubt the full brood chamber will encourage some breeding through next month, so that we need not have any fears of going into winter quarters with too many old or worn out bees. The demand for extracted honey is great on account of the scarcity of fruit. Comb selling more slowly but there is. lots of time for disposing of that crop as soon as the weather becomes colder.

F. A. GEMMELL.

Stratford, Sept. 1, '89.

LAMBTON.

Season has been a good average here. Clover yielded pretty well but the hives were quite bare of honey when it began and most of it was used in brood rearing and filling up. Alsike did not yield nearly so well as white. Basswood did well and gave the nicest honey I have seen. Thistles did well; no slack after basswood, bees have worked all season though honey has come in slowly on account of the very dry weather. Bees have averaged from fifty to seventy pounds a few have reported 100. I expect to extract-

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considerable yet. Bees have worked hard on buckwheat; golden rod, boneset and some on honey-dew. Honey extracted, wholesale 10 to 12 cents is asked, retail 121 cents. Comb retail 15 cents.

W. E. MORRISON.

Alvinston, Aug. 29th '89.

QUERIES AND REPLIES.

UNDER THIS HEAD will appear Questions which have been asked, and replied to, by prominent and practical bee-keepers—also by the Editor. Only questions of importance should be asked in this Department, and such questions are requested from everyone. As these questions have to be put into type, sent out for answers, and the replies all awaited for it will take some time in each case to have the answers appear.

Packages for Commission Men.

QUERY No. 248.—In shipping honey to commission men is it better to ship in bulk i. e. in tins or barrels, or in small packages tastily labelled for retail trade? If the latter what size package would you prefer.

G. M. Doulittle, Borodino, N.Y.—I now always use five pound pails.

WM. McEvor, Woodburn, Ont.—In both, but most of it in bulk.

- G. A. Deadman, Brussels, Ont.—Ask your commission man, he can tell you his preferences.
- Dr. C. C. Miller, Marenco, Ill.—I have no experience, but should think that each market would have its own preferences.
- A. B. MASON, AUBURNDALE, OHIO.—That will depend upon what the market demands and that should be ascertained before shipping.

Jas. Heddon, Dowaeiac, Mich.—All depends upon the market your commission men trade in. Try both and he will soon post you.

- J. E. Pond, North Attleboro, Vt.—It will depend wholly upon the market and you can better ascertain from the middle men themselves, than any other way, or the requirements of their trade.
- J. F. DUNN, RIDGEWAY, ONT.—I sell nearly all my honey in home market. If I intended shipping to commission men I should consult their wishes as to method of putting up.
- J. K. DARLING, ALMONTE, ONT.—Have had no experience. Do not like the commission business anyway unless it is so you can see that the goods are properly handled, and placed before the public in an inviting manner. Prefer to sell my honey even if I take less for it.

Prof. A. J. Cook, Lansing, Mich.—No rule can be given. We must consult the commission man and his market. If he will take it in bulk and work it off it is best to ship in bulk. As a rule small useful vessels are most salable. Each market has its preferences.

ALLEN PRINGLE, SELBY, ONT.—It is better by all means to ship in the form which pays the best—whether in barrels or pounds. And if shipping in shape for retail happens to pay you best and you are a tasty man in putting up and have a reputation worth something or want to build up one, by all means ship in retail shape every time.

Ergene Secor, Forest City, Iowa.—I'don't know which would be the more profitable but suspect if arrangements could be made with commission houses to handle your honey in one to five pound cans securely sealed and crated in packages that would handle easily, that you could build up a good trade if only first class honey were put on the market.

G.W. Demares, Christiansburg.—Better consult the commission man, he ought to know what his market requires. I think I would always ship in small barrels. After trying nearly every way I have no greater faith in small packages for honey out of the comb. I can't see why grocers cannot be educated to draw from a barrel of honey and sell at retail just like they do when dealing in the abominable stuff called molasses. Perhaps granulation is the greatest hindrance.

PRESERVES.

All the summer weather, Saying naught of "nerves" Toils a little house-wife Making chòice preserver. How she does her cooking Surely no one knows, Tho' they watch her daily While she comes and goes. More than half her goodies Go to pay her rent, Y in every season he is well content; At d from noon till even And from morn till noon Ev n at her labor Hums a pleasant tune. Rose and lily syrup, Richest clover jam. Fill her tiny fruit jars Full as she can cram. Now you've guessed my riddle, And you'll all agree That the name we call her Always ends with Bee.
—Youth's Companion.

TWO THE DEAF.—A person oured of Deafness and a noises in the head of 23 years standing by a simple rounedy will send a description of it race to any Person who applies to Nicholson, 30 St. John St., Montreal.

SUNDRY SELECTIONS.

J. P. COCKBURN.-I started with 6 strong and one medium colonies of bees this spring, they soon got to swarming and have continued to do so up and including to day. I thought in the spring I could cut off at 10, but in spite of most diligent search for queen-sells I have not been able to do so. I have 25 colonies now, many of which have been doubled back thrice and if I had let nature have its course I am sure I could have had 50. I have no evidence my trouble is overcome now, Generally they have been active but have not much store for winter. Although I have taken about 80 lbs. of comb honey and could take as much more but the pesky things have got so cross it is about impossible to do anything with them. the continued hot weather or what? There is plenty of nectar in the valleys and hill sides yet and I think should frost keep off I will ve have considerable surplus honey. I may say that I lost several swarms on account of the crossness of the bees, the boys would not venture among them. I find that 25 colouies are too much for an amateur to experiment with and have passtime. Neighbor Scott stated with one good colony of Hybrids and increased to 3, and from the first prime swarm (in 9 frameCombination hive) has taken 50 lb. ections of honey, with fair prospects of 50 lbs. in ad. dition. Unless the recent dry time interferes, the honey crop in Muskoka should be large. Gravehhurst,

FERGUSON WHITESIDE.-If bees swarm as much more in the eight frame Combination hive than they do in the Jones I should be slow to adopt them. Mine swarmed excessively this season though most of them had a top story on early in the season and those which had no perforated zinc bottom swarmed about as much as those which had. I had ten supers with sections putting one comb of brood at the end to coax them them up. I found in most cases they filled the lower sections first and before they sealed the top ones they swarmed. Last night I put out thirty supers full of ex-The bees made a big uproar tracted combs. this forencon, but are now quiet and going for fall flowers and buckwheat. I did not see that: they killed each other at the scene of action eight rods from the yard or that they robbed other hives though some were weak and queenless. I had some large swarms this summer one reached six feet long and varied from three to eight inches in diameter. about the size of a man. There were three or

four very large swarms in it. I had one on the 17th about the size of a ten quart pail. Bees have been getting enough to keep them the last two weeks and some are getting a little surplus. Had three swarms from the 7th to the 14th.

Little Britain, Aug. 30th.

MURAT.-I started last spring with 13 colonies and increased to 23, all in first class condition. Would have 25 but two swarms left me in the swarming season for the bush. Honey averages about 60 lbs. per colony. Basswood did not yield much. Bees are doing very well yet around here. You will find my subscription I am well pleased for another year enclosed. with the C. B. J.; it gives me many instructions in the bee business. It is well worth the money, especially to beginners.

Mıldmay, Aug. 28, '89.

JAS. TATT .-- Mr. Jones will you please answer me through your C. B. J. if I can move my bees 150 miles west this fall without too much They are very heavy with damage to them honey and strong in bees. How late can I move them and about how much will it cost and which would be the better way to move them by express or freight.

Lynedoch, Ont. Aug. 31st, 1889.

Yes, you can move them any distance provided you give plenty of room to Would cluster and lots of ventilation. prefer to move them not later than Oct. Cost must be ascertained from the railroad company, possibly they would give a special rate by express.

A poor colony or a queenless one is worth something to set on top of a good one because you can extract the honey and save the combs nice and clean for next season's swarms and there will be a profit, but if allowed to stand until late they will require some expense to feed them up to the desired weight. If the stock does not contain plenty of bees from the August brood they will all perish during the winter, leaving the hive and perhaps a little honey in a filthy disgusting condition. Determine how many and what colonies you will winter now, and then, if they are not all in excellent condition, commence at once to put them in shape so that you can count as many colonies in the spring as you can in the fall.

The leaflet "Honey, some reasons why it should be eaten" may be advantageously distributed at the fairs. The result will be inoreased sales and the creation of a home mar-

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HEN birds are closely confined after a season of outside rambling, they miss more than we can tell, the many etceteras that they could procure and one of the worst to miss, is the gravel. So get in 'your supply now, and mix among the gravel broken crockery. A box can be made to fit neatly to the wall, so that the contents will not be made dirty. Gravel will largely supply the place of oyster shell so often recommended. Add to the birds' rations a piece of liver now and then, or broken fresh bones to pick, and give clean water in clean utensils, turnips or beets cut in two so that they do not miss all at once the food they have been getting all summer when at liberty.

MOULTING.

THE season of moult is here, in fact has been here some time. examine the birds new quills and see how full of blood they are, you will then have a faint idea of the need of good rich food. While the birds are moulting they will not get fat, but the food will nourish them, enrich their blood, make them moult easily, and come through in fine condition. Give them all the range possible, all the milk you can spare, and give at least once a day a feed of good wheat and twice a week hemp seed if you can. Then as soon as moult is over gradually lessen the diet, and eggs will soon come.

JYYHE date of the above show is fixed for the 24th to the 27th of Sept. The management are making extra efforts to ensure the greatest possible We anticipate a enjoyment to visitors. pleasaat time for all. The Kempenfeldt P. & P. S. Association have offered a silver cup for the first prize sweepstakes breeding pen of old birds, games and all bantams barred, as this is to encourage interest in more useful varieties. Also silver medal for first prize sweepstakes breeding pen of young birds under same conditions. Mr. W. C. G. Peter has offered a silver medal for the best collection of pigeons and our pigeon boys are "hustling." It is probable we shall see some close work for these special prizes.

GEO. H. CARLEY.

What is the Best Book for a Beginner to Study.

E can hardly tell you. Much depends upon the kind of information required. If you desire to be informed as to the plumage etc., get a "Standard," but if you want to learn a good deal of everything, get Felcle's Poultry Culture." In this book there is much valuable information, and one of its great merits, is that you do not have to wade through a lot of padding to catch the grain of information sought. It tells you how to feed your birds and how to house them; gives plain instruc-tions for mating and breeding the Standard varieties of fowl, and many valuable chapters and hints on judging them. How to build your poultry house &c., All the terms used, as well as the reading matter all through, are plainly and tersely given. No words are

used that the man of common education could not understand; and yet it is a book that the man of education, is perfectly satisfied with; it was not an easy task to accomplish, but the success di the work among all classes of poultrymen is a sign of its adaptation to their needs. Lewis Wrights book of Poultry, is a great authority, but the price places it beyond the reach of many. You will find it a great help to subscribe for, and read carefully some of the excellent poultry journals; you will find in them a fund of information from men of practical and wide experience. And methods adopted by them in raising and caring for poultry stock cannot fail to be of value to you. I would strongly advise you to attend some of the forthcoming exhibition and get talking to the breeders. If you intend going in for fancy stock get a Standard and study it.

For the POULTRY WEEKLY
SEPTEMBER.

This month is to the poultry fancier one of many pleasures and also many cares. Those who have paid attention to their pets during the winter and early spring, looking to their several, and I might almost say individual comforts, are reaping their well earned reward not only in the show room but also in the grand flock of young birds coming more and more near the standard of perfection as each year rolls on, this to all ardent fanciers is even more than the much coveted prize ticket. I can fancy I see many who have labored and studied for best results, standing among their birds and looking with pride and satisfaction on the success attained by their efforts shown in the symmetry, plumage &c., of the flocks before them, and right well do they deserve their success, and those who capture the Reds and Blues at the several agricultural and industrial shows feel that they are rewarded for all their trouble.

This is the bright and gratifying side or portion of the month, but now comes the work and it is work that cannot be neglected, the culling must be done, and done severely, if not much of the perfection gained may be lost next season. Every little thing must now be kept in order for the winter, that will soon be upon us. Oracks that during the extreme hot weather did not so much matter perhaps, should now be seen to and closed so as to prevent any draught, for there is no telling when a cold spell or north wind may come. Dusting boxes

should all be got into place and filled with good dry road dust or sand gathered during the hot dry weather. A board or two placed on the top will invevent them being fouled, the house should be sprayed with a solution of carbolic acid if possible, say two tablespoonfuls to a pail of water; if preferred lime wash car be used. All perches, nests, and dropping boards should be carefully and thoroughly cleansed, so that when the birds go into winter quarters every. thing about the house will be clean and whole. some. The runs could be spaded up and if the birds can be kept off them it would be desirable to seed them down, so that in the early spring, as soon almost as the snow g es, they will have fresh green food, young, and tender, which is an absolute necessity for the success of getting early fertile eggs, which means as a rule strong and vigorous early chicks. These few hints may perhaps remind us of how the year is rapidly passing, and that the time to do these several jobs is at hand. ONLOOKER.

Irish Grey Games,

HE accompanying out represents a pair of Irish Gray Game fowls as bred by Mr. C. D. Smith, Fort Plain, New York, and is a faithful representation of this grand breed being drawn from a pair now owned by him. Mr. Smith is making a specialty of game fowls and his card will be found in this issue of the Journal and we would advise our readers, one and all, to send for his large illustrated circular which will be sent free to all mentioning this paper.

Why Fear Disease?

HE great bug bear that prevents many farmers and cattagers from raising pure bred fowls is so-called "cholera." But it is as general among hogs. Do farmers quit breeding hogs? But cholera is not a concomitant of fowls. It is not even to be feared where fowls are bred on the same village lots for years and years, and much less on the farm. I know this to be true, and I can prove it. People say to me: "I don't wonder your fowls on farms are healthy, but those on the village lots, occupied every year, in all reason ought to die of cholers." I say to them; "You ought to be surprised that my fowls on farms are free from disease when yours on your farm > are dying every year. Go and see my breeders on their farms and notice how they care for them."

"They go to a deal of trouble?"

"No. They clean the horse barns and cow.





barns every morning and consider it, in their line of choring, as an easy job. They also clean the chicken house every morning, as part of the 'chores,' and an easy job."

"Yes, but when a farmer is in a hurry it'don't pay to stop to clean hen-houses."

"Does it pay to remove the filth from the stock barns?."

"Yes, it has to be done. We have to treat horses good. We depend on them."

"And you depend on the hens, too, and expect them to bring you more according to their cash value than you expect, or get, from your horse, according to its cash value. You see, you go on the principle when it comes to considering the hens, that much comes from little—nothing comes from something. You call that clear profit which you realize from poultry, because they cost you nothing."—By S. L. Roberts, in American Poultry Journal.

Gentleness.

HE poultryman should be as gentle as the summer breeze; not impulsive, neither moving rapidly nor with quick nervous action, when going among his stock. A door quickly opened will sometimes cause the whole flock in an apartment to fly helter skelter, to the farthest corner, bumping one against another in the wildest and most unreasonable manner, Reasoning faculties, among poultry, have never been developed; thus a hen with her head cut off will appear about as sensible as one with her head on, if the latter comes under the influence of a sudden scare. We recently visited a neatly kept poultry house, that was under the exclusive management of a well-preserved woman, eighty-two years of age. She went into the several apartments of the house, and not one of the occupants manifested any fear. She could readily capture any of them. But when any person wearing a coat and hat came within the door, there was a regular panic. Each hen was doing her best to hide behind the others or fly through the window. "It's because you're a man, and they don't knowyes said the ancient

If the ox knoweth his stall, and locketh upon the keeper with a mild eye. If the sheep know the voice of the sheeperd and come at his call, so do the chickens become accustomed to the voice, the presence, and the movements of the person who has charge of them, and thus they may have confidence and no fear. They will crowd about his feet, if he is gentle. They will crowd about his feet, if he is gentle. They may alight on his shoulder. He can put forth his hand and take them without a snare. Even those varieties sometimes called "highlyers" may be tamed by moving among them slowly and carefully and by manifesting towards them invariable kindness.—American Poultry Yard.

A Novel and Useful Feeding Appratus.

M. Christy of Ithica, Mich., has invented a poultry feeder which not only greatly facilitates the labor of feeding but gives constant exercise to the fowl. It consists of a bucket or other receptacle for grain, to the bottom of which is

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For the POULTRY WEEKLY.

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THE Craig folding incubator consists of a trunk-like box, the upper and larger portion of which contains a hot water tank, and folds back upon binges like a lid. walls are several inches thick, and so constructed with paper and other packing as to be impervious to heat and cold. The lower part is the egg chamber, and contains several inches of moist soil covered with fire hay or straw, to prevent the eggs becoming stained by contact with the dirt. The tank is of galvanized iron, and is protected by the walls and packing on all sides except the bottom, which is directly over the eggs, and through which all of the heat of the hot water is radiated. This tank is provided with a filling tube at the top and a faucet at the bottom on one side, so that water may be put in or drawn out without opening the incubator. There is also a ventilator tube which passes through the tank at the top and into the egg chamber, through which a thermometor is passed and suspended by a cord, the ball resting in the nest among the eggs. The ventilator tube is connected with the filling tube by an adjustable elbow-shaped tube, and is discharged into the egg chamber and adds to the moisture. The earth you put into the egg chamber must be moist. The machine is then closed; then sufficient water is heated on a stove and the tank filled. After six hours this must-be drawn off and the tank refilled with boiling water, and in another six hours the temperature will be at its height, and the machine thoroughly heated. After getting the temperature in the egg chamber to 1050 the eggs are put in. It is very easy to keep it at about that figure by drawing off about 12 quarts of water morning and night and refill with boiling water it does not lo

over two or three degrees in the egg chamber during the night in cold weather. It's very good for keeping its temperature but, for a hatcher, with my experience I don't consider it worth much. It was loaned to me by a friend who didn't care to bother with it although he praised it highly, but he never got a chick out of it, so I thought if there was any hatch in it I would get it out or bust. I got the thing in running order, put in sixty eggs, (it is 100 egg size) and for 21 days that machine was run strictly according to directions. On the morning of the 2 2nd day as I was about to draw up the thermometer to see how the heat in the egg chamber was. I thought I heard a noise. I listened. Did my ears deceive me, or did visions of the previous night's dream abound? No! There it was again, I was not deceived. Oh no! The peep, peep, peep, that came up through that tube made me yell Eureka and dance the sailor's hornpipe until everyone in the house thought I was bitten by a snake or had gone crazy. yelled wife, mother, everybody, come and look at these chicks, who says I can't run an incubator? After they had all assembled around the machine I said, when I raise the lid peek in quick and don't let any run out. 'The lid was carefully raised; lo and behold, Cæsar's ghost! "Could me eyes deceive me?" No, they didn't: there alone, all alone, like a lost sheep out of the House of Israel, stood one solitary wee bit of a chick.

Great Scott, I cried in agony deep,
Is this the result after three long weeks?

For a moment silence reigned supreme, then they roared, and you bet I felt mad, but I ame going to try it again. So I closed the box and run it for another day in hopes some more would appear, but I only got one more and that one was so weak that it died in a few hours. first one was a lively chick and is still living, and is a fine large pullet. I broke open the remaining 58 eggs and not one showed any sign of incubation, so I said if it hatched two the other eggs must not be fertile, so the fault must lay with the eggs. I purchased four dozen more eggs from a farmer who I could rely on, and put them in machine and run it with great care for three more weeks. On the morning of the-22nd day I heard that familiar peep, peep. Remembering my last dump, from hilarity to humiliation, I didn't call a family gathering to witness the result this time. Nervously I raised the lid and there again stood or laid one deformed chick. I took it out and closed the lid. and run machine for two days more but mary a chick; the deformed one died. I broke open rest of eggs, found one chick dead in shell, and all the rest showed no signs of incubation. This made me disgusted, but I shall try it again this winter. I think the sponges that are in egg chamber always wet, the moist soil, and the steam from the ventilator tube, cause too much moisture, and the ventilator tu e is always close by the elbow tube, this prevents any fresh air from entering chamber. I shall do away with so much moisture and allow more fresh air to enter egg chamber next time, and if this fails to produce good results I will give up the ghost although I die game.

G. B. SAFFORD, Troy, N. Y., Aug. 27, 1889.

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Fertilization of Eggs.

MEMBER of our Farmers' Club stated recently that he had a flock of hens that was separated from a cock (there being none on the farm and no near neighbors) for six weeks; after which time their eggs hatched. His theory is that the germ of the chick is deposited before the egg formation commences. How long should hens that have been running with certain cocks be mated before they will breed safely and truly to their last mate? At what stage of the formation of the egg does the impregnation take place?

ABRAM PALMER.

Iowa Falls, Ia., June 1, 1889.

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Answer by I. K. Felch.—At what time does the germ take possession of the egg in its formation? The yolk is expelled from the egg-sack into the oviduct, where the spermatozon takes possession of the disc in the yolk. This is generally 48 thours before the egg is laid. Three eggs are liable to be in the oviduct at the same time; one ready to be expelled, the others engaged in the inner lining and both of which are

The spermatozoa past being impregnated. from fresh vital fluid are so much more ener. getic that it is safe to say, if the ma'e be in health and vigor, the four eygs the hen lave after mating, or any egg after the fourth day of mating will be his off-spring, If we take this male away, leaving the hen by herself, a large share of the eggs she lays during the next ten days will hatch-possibly the one laid on the tenth day. But all my experiments go to show that, in a hen kept by herself, the germs will 🛡 live not longer than ten days in the oviduct. while forty days seem to be the limit of their vitality in an egg after it is laid. Of course there are exceptions where eggs have hatched after forty days of age, but the majority prove bad. Leghorns and non-sitters will lay eggs that will hatch a few days longer than ten days: but any hen mated with a healthy male will have chicks by him in four days, and the effects of previous matings will cease then.

It makes no difference how many males meet a hen, no egg is impregnated until it bursts its sack and is expelled in the oviduct. This is the yolk— the "white" is added to the yolk in the inner section, is encased in the lining in the middle section, and is shelled in the third division, near the vent. If the second egg be expelled from the middle section permaturely, the result is the laying of a soft-shelled egg.

A hen's progeny is not in any manner influenced by previous conceptions. When an egg is impregnated it is disconnected from all circulations of the hen. Hens that are kept always away from males lay eggs. but if such hens are mated and copulation takes place before the egg-is encased in its shell-lining, in the middle section of the oviduct, the first egg even may become impregnated. We have seen eggs hatch true to mate that were laid 21 hours after mating. The hen had hatched a brood of chicks, had weaned them and commenced to lay. I put her in a coop with a male and the egg she laid hatched true to the breed of both sire and dam. I have the impression that the active germ kills the weaker one in the oviduct: therefore, it is the rule that the third egg will be the get of the new mute, and that the chances are ten to one on the fourth being true to last mate.-American Poultry Journal.

The fertilization of the egg is one of the most fascinating studies pertaining to the breeding of fowls. We clip a question and answer from the newsy American Poultry Journal. They will be read with interest by many we feel sure. The theory of the farmer referred to in the Journal that the germ is de

posited before the egg formation begins, is nothing but theory; as any one can prove to his satisfaction by occasional experiments. It is certainly very wonderful to note the different powers possessed by the several hens, as to their ability to retain the male influence in an active form. In some, in fact most hens, the germ is inactive after the seventh day, and does not possess power enough. to impregnate the egg, while other hens can retain the germ in an active reproductive state for weeks. It really seems to be as much an essential of the hen's vitality as it is of the male's vigor, as to the length of time the germ will retain its impregnating power. A case in point this spring came under my observation, not the first by any means, but I quote it as others can vouch for it, and it is of late occurrence. Mr. T. Barrett had kept with his Dorking cock a few Wyandotte hens, these he afterwards separated for three weeks, and then bred them to a Wyandotte cock. He gave, me the eggs to hatch in the incubator for him in early March, and every chick but one was true Wyandotte, in fact the one looked like a Wyandotte but had a single comb, and as it matured, proved a cross. I felt sure that at the season when they were separated, viz.: February, the breeding powers of both would not prove very strong and so considered three weeks ample time to overcome the influence of the Dorking male. In this case only one hen retained a germ in active life. The cross bred chick was a cockerel, strong and vigorous; it was killed last week and weighed seven lbs., within an ounce or two. Thus we see how uncertain it is what time is necessary for separation. If the germ of the male had to be deposited before the egg commences to form, it would be imperative that the birds be mated months before the chicks were required to hatch. I certainly think Mr. Felch is right in saying that before the egg is encased in its outward lining there is every opportunity and chance of its impregnation by the male germ. The period of its possibility of active life depends as much on the vital forces of the hen as on the healthy spermatozoa of the male parent, as indicated by his vigor and

can we judge of the like capacity in the female portion of the pen? The birds all seemingly in good health, hearty and full of vigor, in number sufficient to prevent undue attention or neglect from their partner, we can form, no idea of what their capacity is for giving hatchable eggs. I was reading in the A.B.C. of Bee Culture, some comments on the fertilization of eggs. Among other things the author says; "I do not know, whether the hen has the power of laying fertile or unfertile eggs at will." He cannot say, nor can we, but still the fact of unfertile eggs confronts us, and we know not why. Under the same conditions, some hens' eggs are generally unfertile, yet not always. Another strange experience comes in here, I once kept a cockerel in a pen of Leghorns all spring, got a lot of chicks from him and desired to use another male, the hens received his attentions and he was left in the pen for fully two months, all that time I did not get one fertile egg from any hen in the pen, yet eggs from-the other peh hatched. The case was so peculiar that I put back the cockerel which had been their mate previously, and got chicks from him from eggs laid the first few days after mating.

No doubt such instances could be multiplied, and they only increase our wonder at the mysteries surrounding this subject. Well may we say with one of old, "It is too wonderful for me," when we consider how limited is the utmost extent of human knowledge concerning these mysteries. Is it possible that the hen possesses the power in common with the queen bee, of laying fertile or unfertile eggs at will? And if so is an uncongenial mate the cause of unfertile eggs?

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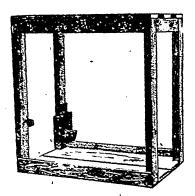
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