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E really must apologise for the scant amount of reading matter in this issue. Pressure of advertisements and the index for the year occupy nearly all the space. Next week we shall not be so crowded and will make amends.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL. SCIENCE AND APICULTURE.

HERE has been considerable discussion of late in the C. B. J. on the above subject and I would not take a hand in were it not that I am called upon to do so by Mr. Cushman in the last issue of JOURNAL.

The physiological question in dispute, viz :---How is animal heat produced in the living system, though not directly connected with apiculture science is nevertheless a very important one, inasmuch as upon its true solution depends to a great extent not only the regulation of the winter stores for our bees but the regulation of our own diet which is of much more importance. "Apicultural science," did I say ? Brother Pond, of Foxboro, gravely tells us in a late issue of the JOUBNAL that we have no science of apiculture. He endeavors to prove this in part by averring that "we to-day are little if any in advance of the bee-keepers of the days of Virgil," and that "as a matter of fact we are all at sea in regard to wintering, and no one has any advantage over the others," that in truth, "all are alike groping in the dark." Surely our Massachusetts friend was either "nodding" (and "even Homer nods") or else slightly bilious when he was led to take such a gloomy and pessimistic view of modern bee culture ! Well, we are all more or less subject to these mentally gloomy spells, when the whole universe looks dark. I don't know, of course, how it is with Mr. Pond and the rest of our bee cousins across the lake, but we "Canucks" back here in this "frozen region of howling wilderness" are certainly not "all at sea in regard to wintering," as the sea is already so well frozen over that we can glide along over it with considerable safety. Nor are 'we "all alike groping in the dark" over this sea of ice (slippery I admit) and liable to run at any moment into the air

holes. I have the presumption to think that a pretty considerable number of us have *lanterns* very well trimmed—lanterns giving out the light of apicultural knowledge, accumulated through long years of experience, patient observation, and persistent study.

That we have no science of bee culture I cannot for one moment admit. The science, it is true, is not yet, by any means, mature and what science is? Outside of mathematics all the sciences are growing towards maturity-and rapidly too under the nourishing heat and swelling light of this marvelcus age. If we are to call every imperfect science no science at all, all outside of the exact sciences may be ruled out. Physiology, for instance, must go, and we have an illustration of this in the very matter we are now approaching, for this brings us to the subject in hand as between Prof. Cook, Mr. Cushman and others. The problem in dispute is a physiological one, and as yet an unsettled onean open question. And here is where Prof. Cook and Mr. Cushman are both, I respectfully submit, in error. Each assumes the solution he urges to be the true one, and this presupposes on the part of each that the question in issue is definitely settled, which it is not. This method would simply issue in a balancing of authorities, and this is certainly not the scientific method. Instead of setting up a theory and then hunting up facts to fit it and authorities to sanction it the true investigator hunts up all the facts and then casts about for a generalization or theory that will fit them all. The one is a priori, the other a posteriori in its methods.

Liebig was a distinguished chemist, and in his great work, "Organic Chemistry," he propounded the theory that the animal heat of the living system is produced by the combustion in the lungs of the oxygen derived from the inspired air and the carbon derived from the food. The hypothesis soon became popular in scientific circles. It has however from time to time been challenged and controverted, especially by the Hygienic philosophers and the Hygieo-therapeutic school of physicians. Prof. Trall, the founder of, and most eminent authority in, that school very ably controverts Liebig's theory in his encyclopædia and elsewhere. That Trall was a profound thinker and original investigator is certain ; but he unfortunately died before his great work "Principles of Hygienic Medication" was completed. In Medical Science he made new and valuable discoveries, solving problems which had baffled the profession for ages. His explanation of animal heat is that it results naturally from the motions of life-from the vital processes, without the necessity of a chemical stove in the lungs. In

the domain of physics proper we know that motion results in heat and why not in the domain of life-which is motion. According to Trall good health, or a normal play of all the functions, is the secret and explanation of the production and maintenance of a proper animal temperature. He had no patience with the chemico-physiologist who sought to turn the human system into a chemical laboratory and explain vital processes by chemical dava. As bearing upon a proper estimation of Trall as an authority in physiology as against Liebig, it is only fair to state that Trall has apparently successfully refuted one or two of Liebig's other chemico-physiological positions.

Now, Prof. Cook, if I rightly understand him, holds the view taught by Trail as to the production of animal heat in the system; while Mr. Cushman holds the theory taught by Liebig. The Prof. claims "the leading physiologists of to-day" on his side, and here, I venture to submit, he is mistaken. Prof. Huxley is unquestionably the greatest biologist and physiologist and he is on the other side. Prof. Carpenter who died a few months ago, and second only to Huxley as an eminent physiologist, was also, I think, on the other side. I have not Carpenter by me at present but I think Prof. Cook will find that he was distinctly on the other side of the house. I know of no really eminent physiologist who can be quoted on Prof. Cook's side except Trall. Trall's school of medicine, the Hugico Therapeutic, doubtless nearly all agree with their great teacher ; while the regular Allopathic profession-that is their authorities-are almost all on the other side with Liebig, Carpenter and Huxley. The Homeopathic and Eclectric Schools of Medicine are divided on the question with a majority, perhaps, on Liebig's side. Thus it is that this problem of the production of animal heat in the living system is still if not an unsolv ell at least an unsettled one; and hence we must gently oppose Prof. Cook's attitude in the premses as savoring just a little of dogmatism.

When the Prof. wrote in the JOURNAL (page 722) about "a little learning being a dangerous thing," and proceeded *ex cathedra* to set aside Liebig's hypothesis and belabor Mr. Cushman I myself felt just a little in the Professor's road remembering that in my leaflet on "Honey— Some reasons why it should be eaten," I had written the following sentence, viz: "If the animal heat of the system is produced and maintained by the combustion in the blood of the oxygen of the air taken in by the lungs and certain ele ments of the food, as the most eminent authorities maintain, then it is absolutely certain that for six or eight months of the year in this climate there is no more wholesome or necessary food than pure honey."

Now, the use of the word "if" in the sentence above quoted really leaves the question as to the production of animal heat an open one, as it undoubtedly is, with the preponderance of authority, as there intimated, on the chemical side. I must confess, however, that twenty-five years ago when I looked into Trall's position on this question I thought him right so far as my poor judgment was capable of deciding between great authorities, and ever since, the principle has had its weight more or less in daily life in the regulation cf diet, etc. Whether Trall is right or wrong on this point one thing is certain-he teaches more wholesome physiological and hygienic truth in his writings than any other with whom I am acquainted living or dead. One other thing is certain, if Liebig's theory is false it has done a great deal of harm in a quarter of a century in the influence it has had in regulating human diet, and will continue to do a great deal more until it is thoroughly refuted and abandon-My confidence in what I would call the ed. physiological explanation of animal heat as against the chemical remained firm until Prot. Huxley appeared in the arena. I could easily understand how the allopathic medical profession, even including the great Dr. Carpenter, would readily and naturally accept Liebig's chemical theory of animal heat for it is in close keeping with the fundamental doctrines of their school, which, however, I believe to be erroneous. And it was equally natural that Trall and his school should go to the other extreme in utterly casting out all chemistry from the living system, being so dead set against all "drug medication." But when Prof. Huxley comes forward, having no axes to grind either for the chemists or physiologists--without any hobby-horses to ride, but as a scientist and disinterested investigator-and endorses Liebig's theory I begin to think it may possibly be true. Time will no doubt tell. This vexed question, with many others, seeking the light, will be cleared up in due time. Meanwhile, let no one be dogmatic-not even professors-especially when they get out of their special lines. A few months ago when the "hibernation" theory was fairly.on the "rampage" in the bee journals and Prof. Cook uttered his laconic dictum, "Bees do not hibernate," which had the effect of making the author of that theory quite petulant and impatient, I thought the Prof. was quite right both in manner and matter. That was in his line as an entomologist and he had a right to speak authoritatively, especially as the point was a settled one. Prof. Cook, of course. means that bees do not hibernate in the scientific sense. He admits with others of us that they frequently get into a very quiescent or semi-

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torpid condition in winter quarters, but this is not hibernation in a scientific sense, and the author of that theory may as well accept the fact with complacency. In popular phraseology we may be permitted the license to say that bees "hibernate," but when we come down to the precision of language required by science the word must be dropped as applied to bees. On this question of hibernation I have not a doubt that Prof. Cook is right—in fact he has proved his position—but on the physiological problem I am equally certain he is wrong at any rate as to the authorities.

Selby, Lennox Co., Ont., March 17, '86.

After all that has been said both pro and con about this matter, surely we will arrive at the correct conclusion sconer or later. By each one advancing his views clearly, and solely with a view of arriving at the facts of the case, irrespective of defeat or victory, many valuable scientific points may be brought out and we, novices, will be enlightened in regard to the various theories in question.

ALLEN PRINGLE.

FOR THE CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL. HEDDON'S NEW HIVE.

R. Heddon's new hive-so called-is getting quite a boom, and perhaps deservedly so, but how as yet it can be said to be Rett as a matter of fact, so far superior as claimed to all others, I fail to perceive, as it has yet to pass the ordeal of practical tests before its many claims can be fully substantiated. As yet I have not tested the hive (although Mr. Heddon has kindly presented me with the legal right so .to do), so I cannot say a word tor or against. What I propose to do in this article is to say a few words in regard to its claims to patentability. As a lawyer somewhat conversant with patent rights, and as a bee-keeper tolerably well read up in the history of improvements in hives and appliances apicultural, I have examined the claims made to the patent office, and there allowed, but viewing said claims in the light of the "state of the art" as tevealed by history, I fail to find anything new or patentable. "Closed end frames" were originated years ago by the late nestor of the art, Mr. M. Quinby; fastening such frames in the hive by compression is an old device. Shallow hives have been praised and condemmed for years, and tiering up of hives and section cases is certainly as old in principle as Root's simplicity hive." Invertible hives have been in use for years, and the patent on such granted to Mr. J. M. Shuck long antedates the Heddon hive. Shuck's hive is formed, too, on precisely the same plan as Heddon's, the differ-

ence being that Heddon used two sets of shallow frames, while Shuck used but one suspended from the middle of its end bars. Reversible frames have been used for years, and the idea of reversing sections in order that they might be more completely filled out was made use of as long ago to my own knowledge as the year 1867. Slatted honey boards with slats breaking joints with the top bars of frames, have been in use for years, and wide frames for sections, both with and without separators, have been both praised and condemned for many years. What is there in this hive then so new and original that a valid patent can be justly granted on its claims? Mr. H. himself admits that he claims nothing new in the various parts which form the hive, not even the wood and paint used in its construction. He does claim in some way for a combination of something in connection with what he calls an improved method of management. 1 do not say a word against the hive or Mr. H's methods; far from it. I am simply testing his claims by the fire of admitted facts, and in the crucible of past history. If these claims will stand the test, I am giving Mr. H. a fine advertisement gratuitously ; if they will not, I am simply showing that fact, and Mr. H. himself can find no fault therewith, for he most certainly does not wish to stand on untenable ground, or succeed in putting his hive on the market by false pretenses. I trust that no one will be mean enough to make use of Mr. H's combinaious to Mr. H's detriment whether a valid patent has been granted or not, for whatever there is in the hive that is Mr. H's original idea. should be held to belong as sacredly to him, as should his pocket book, or any other property. 1 am simply criticising, or rather inquiring into the facts connected with a public matter, and only with a desire of eliciting the truth. As a patent solicitor I am always ready to admit the just claims of any to originality, and aid in securing the same by invoking the aid of the patent office ; but I have yet to learn that a valid patent can be granted for a combination of old ideas in an old form tor the purpose of producing an old result.

J. E. POND, JR.

Foxboro, Mass., Feb. 6, 1886.

Since receiving friend Pond's letter relative to the patentability of the Heddon hive, we have given the Canadian patent laws a a most careful study, and we are thoroughly satisfied that in Canada the patent is unquestionably secure, and our opinion has been verified by a leading firm of patent solutions in Toronto, and probably the best firm in Canada. There may be something in the U. S. patents received heretofore by

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others that anticipate friend Heddon's ideas, but we understand that he has given the matter very close attention, and so he will be able to "stand up for his rights" in the U. S. Having bought the right of sale for Canada we are in duty bound to protect the We fully agree with you, Canadian patent. friend P., that we have a right to respect the inventions of others be they patented or unpatented, and we like the remarks of friend Root in *Gleanings* a short time since, where he says that those who steal the ideas of others without giving proper renumeration will lose more than they gain by it. 'Friend Heddon will please explain his position with regard to the "patent" question, as we feel sure he can. By the way, we like the remarks of Dr. C. C. Miller in A. B. J.

OUBEN LAYING DRONE EGGS.

GEO. SPITLER.-I think the CANADIAN BEE JOURNAL is up to the best of them. The following is my report : Fall of 1884, packed five colonies out doors, four in chaft, and one in leaves, (lost the latter), and but one came through strong, but had all stores used up, so it had to be fed. Two of the others were weak, with plenty of stores, and one (the third one) was very weak, not bees enough to cover one space between two combs. I put this last one between division boards, left in three frames, and though my highest expectations were to make a fair colony by fall I took 471 pounds surplus from it, besides a good swarm, and 15 pounds of surplus from it, all comb honey. The other colonies were left without division boards, and though much stronger did not do as well in surplus as the weakest one. I have now ten colonies packed in chaff, and had in all 277 surplus comb honey. I had much trouble with one colony, which cast a swarm, and the queen failed to natch. I gave it a frame of young brood and eggs. They succeeded in raising a queen, which I noticed out in due time, two days in succession. It was not able to fly, and yet I supposed perhaps it had mated, but I was doomed to disappointment. I did not molest the colony, as it appeared to be doing all right in honey-gathering until removing surplus, when to my surprise I found, what many, in reply to query in C. B. J., said, they had never had a queen laying drone eggs. The worker cells were full of drones, though not solid like the worker bees. The queen was des-troyed, another introduced, but the colony did not revive so it could be depended on, and it was united with a weak one. I am but a beginner in the business, and never had any thoughts of going into the bee business until my wife fell heir to a very weak colony from her father two years ago. For the last year I have spent a considerable time in informing myself by reading and experience, and from this on I hope for better success.

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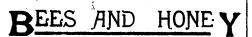
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