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I quote further from Mr, Hopper:

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Under date of Sept 14, '03: "I have the combs off my two west apiaries; one is the yard I got from you, and the other was wintered here—the yard I got from Mexico a year ago. The yard I got from you averaged 165 pounds per colony, and the wintered bees 115 pounds per colony; **50 pounds per colony in favor of your bees**

(Telegram) Rocky Ford, Colo., Jan 16, 1904. W. O. Victor, Beekeeper, Wharton, Texas.

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We want to increase our list of subscribers by 10,000 by May 1, 1905, and will make some special offers and inducements to get our present subscribers and friends to help us swell the list. There can be no doubt but that there are many experiended bee-keepers, and a great many beginners who would gladly subscribe for the Western Bee Journal, if they were only asked. The price of this paper is \$1. a year, but in this contest we will give with it, as a premium, any one of the following publications: The American Bee-Keeper, the great 20th century poultry paper, POULTRY SUCCESS, or the greatest of all general farm, poultry and home papers published anywhere— the PACIFIC TREE & VINE— price alone \$1. You get any one of the above and this Journal a full year for only \$1.

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The Death of A Drone.

BY V. DEVINNY, EDGEWATER, COLO.

One day a Chrysalis, fair to see, Crept from his cell, a perfect bee: Of rotund form and heavy weight And seemed to be of high estate.

He paced the comb with guaurded tread; But the worker bees from him fled, For he seemed to them surely to be A useless bee of low degree.

Thus they shunned, in every way, His ponderous presence, day by day, And garnered honey, without ceasing, Providing for winter's freezing.

But the rotund bee, of curving swell Viewed the work, and liked it well. But boastingly said: "I love in the air to fly, Let others do all the work, but never I!"

Amazed were they at his decision And they cast on him their dark derision. Then sat in council on his case, And pronounced him a rebel, low and base.

He pleaded for his life, to him so dear, And spoke with trembling words of fear, For the verdict was of stunning words to him, And proved him of cruel nature, dark and dim.

Unfit to hold an honored place Mid the honey workers of his race; And thus, was by birth of low degree, Born to be a sort of secondary bee.

His death was a sad and pitiful thing For he died from the merciless sting Of an army of bees, dealing death to him, Till dead he lay, cold and grim.

Texas Convention.

(Continued from last month.) [For the benefit of our many new subscribers that have been added to

our list since the August number was issued, and which is now exhausted, we will say that the new officers of the Texas Bee Keepers' Association, elected at the College Station meeting, are as follws: President, W. H. Laws; Vice-President, W. H. White; Louis H. Scholl was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer, and H. H. Hyde was elected Assistant Secretary.]

"The present standing of Fulbrood in Texas," was gone over thoroughly by Louis H. Scholl, of College Station.

He has been in correspondence with beemen in several of the infected localities where the disease is now provailing and he read several letters from these. From what he has been able to glean he gave the following:

"It is hard to tell just exactly what the present standing of 'foulbrood' now is in this state, but I will relate the following:

"The first notice that we received Firstly, there is not the characteristic of the disease being in any of the Texas apiaries was from the north-central part of the state. From Navarro county we learned that there were several apiaries where this disease had wiped out the bees and that to the extent of several hundred colonies. In the several countries where the disease raved we may safely say that about 1200 colto is were destroyed by this dieease. In some of these parts it seems as if it just what it is without perhaps, a mi-

had now played itself out, as it werer. After all of the bees were destroyed and none left to keep the disease it naturally disappared.

"In 1902 Mr. Wilmon Newell, then in charge of the Agricultural work here, made a trip of inspection to Navarro county and found several apiaries infected, which he instructed the owners thereof to treat, giving the most rigid instructions as to how the work should be carried out. He advised the burning of the badly infested colonies and the treatment of the less infested on as. From recent letters I find, however, that the owners of these yards had not succeeded in ridding them of the disease.

"As foulbrood generally destrovs apiaries in less time than it seemed to me it was doing in some of the districts in North Texas, I became a little doubtful as to whether it might be 'foulbrood' or perhaps some other disease. So I sent for samples of diseased brood, several of which I have here now. From examination of these it is hard to tell what it really is, but I do know that it is not 'foulbrood.' Firstly, there is not the characteristic foul odor. Secondly, the ropiness of the dead brood is not present at all. Then the dead brood does not sink down to the bottom of the cells as it does in 'foulbrood.' And if you examine the cappings over the dead brood you will not find them sunken down about half way into the cell. Now it is hard to tell from such small samples that have been in the mails several days.

croscopical examination. So what is who really wanted the work done, but of 'foulbrood' is in that part.

"Last fall we received many letters from the beemen of Uvalde county, of our beekeepers and unless they do wanting help. They were complaining wake up to the times and come out and that something must be done. As tunity offers itself they will never nevwe have no funds for doing any of this er accomplish what should be accomwork, we were, of course, unable to plished. do anything. But after some corres- "Since then I have received letters pondence it was agreed upon that I go from there to the effect that there out there and investigate the matter were several yards infected very badly and treat the diseased ayiaries, provid- with the disease, and that the owners ed that the beekeepers go together and of them were allowing combs and othpromise to pay my expenses while er things to be exposed to other and there, in the way of board and lodging, healthy apiaries, and that it would buggy and horse, and that one man go spread all over the country out there with me to the infected apiaries.

when broomweed was in bloom and a fairly rotten with the stuff, and that honey flow was on that would have the owner had left them to themselves, made the work just ideal, but after and that other bees were exposed to spending two days there during which them. But as I did not have occasion time an attempt was made to get the to go out to any of these yards, even beekeepers together, I had to return to after I had traveled all the way to college, without having accomplished that place I can not tell you all just anything. And this only because there what the present standing of 'foulwere a few of the leading beekeepers brood is out in the Uvalde country. who led the others around as they wished, and who said that they did not Beeville country, where this disease think that it was necessary to have caused such an up-roar last winter. I this expert come out there to attend to was called there, and now let me tell the 'foulbrood,' and then they thought you something, just the very opposite that it was not so bad anyway, there- from the narrative just gone over. fore, what is the use of spending any "The Beeville beekeepers went tomoney for this work. Then a motion gether and had a man come down there. to adjourn was made by another, and Whe he came he was taken into their they went home again.

there were a lot, about twenty beemen, in spite of them being busy as could be.

it that they have up there? Therefore after the other fellows had their say I cannot say what the present standing these did not have the courage to come out with it.

"That is the trouble with too many about the spreading of the disease there ready to do something when an oppor-

if something was not done soon. We "I went there last year, in the fall, have heard of one or two yards being

"Now I will take you down to the

care and all the help was offered him "I would like to say, however, that that he would have needed. And that,

It was in the latter part of March, the inspector, and that the bees be when bees need one's attention in that burned, and that the beemen would to get rid of the 'foulbrood' first, and therefrom. then attend to their bees, and they did it. I was enabled to destroy all of it ers showed what could be done by unitthat could be found, and we inspected ing themselves and attending to things something like two thousand colonies that needed their immediate attention. that were suspectable. It took a good They had their meeting right in the many days' work, but they did not let infected infected yard, and resolved to me go until it was attended to.

inspected there were only twenty-five calities where the beemen are troubled that were infected with the disease, with this disease it would not be long and they were promptly burned.

the yards, the infection was traced two strong associations in good workback to a car of bees that was brought ing order. That is the main reason for down from Dallas, several years ago. their prompt actions 'In unity there The others were in a yard recently is strength' holds good here. Each of brought down from Iowa, and the dis- these associations has a committee to ease was brought with the bees. At look after the matter of bee diseases one place where a whole apiary had and 'foulbrood.' They call it a vigilonec been destroyed with 'foulbrood,' ance committee, and whenever it is were found two remaining colonies that thought that necessary, inspections are were badly infected. These were placed made of apiaries that are suspected, on a pile of kindling made out of the and a report is made to the State Enold hives, from which the bees had died tomologist, who is the authority in before, after having dug out a large 'foulbrood' matters. He then attends place in the ground to prevent any of to the matter as deemed best. the melted honey and wax from running out, and the whole thing was set afire. no funds for doing this work as has

is not strong enough to accomplish the off the necessary appropriation and desired work. It is weak in some there are now no other funds to draw points and mainly in that it does not from for this work. Of course, the law not give the inspector authority enough provides that the costs be collected in treating the disease. For instance, from the owner of the bees that were in the case at Beeville, the burning of treated, but it takes a lot of money to the bees could hardly have been done pay for the expense involved in inhad not the beekeepers agreed in a specting apiaries before any are treatmeeting that they would stand behind ed.. For instance, if we take the Bee-

country, but these people were going settle any dispute that might arise

"Here is a case where the beekeepdo their part, and they did it. If such "Out of the two tnousand colonies action would be taken at all of the lobefore it would be erradicated.

"In a lot of eight hives in one of "Besides the Beeville beemen have

"It will be understood that we have "We have a 'foulbrood' law, but it already been said. The Legislature left minute. Out of the two thousand colonies inspected there were only twentyfive that needed treatment. And these were in only two yards. Now who is to be charged up with the expense of inspecting all the other apiaries that received no treatment? Yet these apiaries had to be inspected as they were in the same locality and were suspected.

so that it might be clear to the beekeepers of the state. The majority did not quite understand the situation, in that they overlooked this matter of the expense involved in the inspecting trips. I now hope that it will be understood by all why it is necessary to have an appropriation for carrying out appropriation we this work. This should work for, and it is the duty of the beekeepers to see that we do get it if we want to get rid of the dreaded 'foulbrood.'

"As I said before, the disease was all destroyed when I was there, and since then the committees referred to have had the matter in hand to keep close watch over it. From the last reports it goes to show that a stop was put to 'foulbrood' at the time of my inspection in March, and that there is no danger of it appearing again unless brought there again from outside. But even this is not very likely to ever be as the vigilence committees will look carefully to all the bees that are brought thereafter.

"From the above you will now be able to draw an idea as to the present standing of 'foulbrood' in our state.

ville inspection trip and consider it a I will now leave it to the beekeepers .o act on the matter."

Mr. Willie Atchley, of Beeville, the foul-brood inspector appointed by the South-Texas Beekeepers' Association. was present and confirmed the statements of Mr. Scholl and said that he had recently been out on an inspecting tour but found no trace of more foulbrood. He thinks that the country down there is now free of the disease "I have just simply mentioned this and that their committees would keep a close lookout for any that might appear. Any bees that will be brought thre will receive close inspection before being allowed to be landed. Thus there will be little danger of any cases breaking out there again.

> Mr. W. H. Laws, of the Nueces Vallev Beekeepers' Association also confirmed the above. He also said that the foul-brood law was too weak in some respects and especially in that it did not give the inspector authority enough when it was best to resort to burning the bees in the infected apiaries. He was one of the beekeepers present when those Beeville foul-brood bees were burned and stated that as the inspector had not the authority to burn these bees, he with the others, united and insisted that they be burned and that the beekeepers would stand behind the inspector in case any trouble should arise. In this case the burning of the bees was the only way to get rid of the disease without infecting other vards which were near. Besides the hives were old, full of propolis, and were in such condition that treating by any other method was impossible. Then the beekeepers and the committees re-

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ferred to were too busy to attend to from the beekeepers for defraying such have attended to the work to be done. port later.

Professor Sanderson, the State Entomologist, in whose hands the foul-brood on, H. H. Hyde and Prof. E. D. Sandlaw was placed, gave the beekeepers erson were appointed as the Legislative a talk regarding it. He told of the in- Committee of the Texas Beekeepers' efficiency of this law and that there Association was no appropriation for doing the work. If no first-class law could be gotten we could not do any thing with foul-brood. Nothing can be without a better law and the necessary appropriation. Of course, the law is good in that is will help much as a stepping stone in getting something better. He urged upon the beekeepers to take this matter up in earnest, appoint a committee to look after this matter and that the beekeepers should pay such a person. This should be taken up at this meeting as that was the proper time and place to attend to the matter. He also urged that the beekeepers get up a sum of money from which to draw if expenses should fore we go on with our work. Some arise. This committee should be at Austin during the meeting of the Legislature and see to it that the matter is pushed along and passed. The ex- This was large enough to hold a barpenses should be paid by the beekeep- rel of honey. The most of us, howers. Legal adice might be necessary over, are not prepared to go into the in framing a law of this kind. The per- business on so large a scale sons for this work should be the best many of us are not ready to invest from among the members and such one hundred dollars for said purpose. who are well fitted for carrying out At least I am not, so here is what I what is to be done.

a committee of three to be known as a general store; the smaller one holds a soliciting committee and that they about six gallons, and the larger one be instructed to get up subscriptions about ten gallons. By placing the

such work at that time and there expenses. These are F. L. Aten, C. E. would have been nobody who could Tribe and Udo Toepperwein,-to re-

F. L. Aten, J. K. Hill, Dr. J. B. Tre-

(To be Continued.)

done How To Liquify Candied Honey.

Nearly every beekeeper who produces extracted honey, is at times obliged to liquify honey that has candied. If the honey is in five gallon cans we can place the cans in a larger receptacle filled with hot water and place on the stove, but this I know to be a very unsatisfactory arrangement, for if we wish to transfer the honey into smaller recptacles, as if often the case, we must lift the cans out of the larger recptacle bemonths ago I saw in Gleanings a description of an apparatus that cost something like one hundred dollars. and did. I purchased two lard cans, A motion was then made to appoint such as are usually kept for sale in

smaller one inside of the larger one it freely at 120 degrees, but if to be leaves a space of about five and one- bottled and kept liquid it is no doubt fourth inches all around. I took these best to heat it to 150 degrees. to the blacksmith who can also handle is the cost of my aparatus: 1 can, a soldering iron and had him join the 60c; 1 can, 40c; paid blacksmith for cans together by means of braces in valve and work, 60c; thermometer, 30c; such a way that the bottom of the total, \$1.90.-Progressive Bee Keeper. smaller can was about one and one-half inches above the bottom of the larger one, and a space between the two as mentioned above. I was unable to find a honey or molasses gate in the town, so I had the blacksmith use a steam valve with two sections of pipe attached, thus forming an elbow. One section of the pipe was passed through the outer can and into the inner one, very close to the bottom and securely soldered to both. In short, it is a can within a can, with a space all around the inner one to contain water and a valve bees are an obstruction to the free use for drawing the honey from the inner of property, and are therefore a public can. Fill the inside can with honey nuisance. and the space between with water, set Association will back Rozell in his deit on the stove and let her boil until fense of the suit, and has employed ready to draw off. According to those counsel for that purpose. who have had experience in bottling Later reports state that Mr. Rozell honey, we should not heat it above 160 was acquitted by a jury of maintainor 180 degrees F., therefore we should ing a nuisance, the jury holding that have a thermometer for testing the no matter in what number the bees temperature. Mine is an ordinary ther- may be, nor how near the public highmometer graded up to 220 degrees. I took the scale, with glass attached, out of the frame and case, punched a hole in the upper part of the metal; attach a string long enough so the bulb of the thermometer will reach nearly to the bottom of the can, tie the other tional Beekeepers' Association will be end of the string to a stick that will held September 27-30 in the auditorium reach across the top of the cans, and of the Christian Endeavor Hotel, at St. drop the thermometer in the honey. Louis. Great preparations have been Honey will be perfectly liquid and flow made for this

Here

Sued For Allowing His Bees To Roam.

A. Rozell, of Los Angeles, is defendant in a suit the result of which will be of considerable interest to the beekeepers of the State, says the California Fruit Grower. Rozell is charged with allowing his bees to roam around the highway and other people's premises. The complaint states that the The National Beekeepers'

way, they are not a nuisance.

The National Convention.

The annual convention of the Nameeting, which, we

think, will prove to be a sort of inter- tributed. Even to the native Califorat the time the convention is to meet. Francisco, We know of quite a number from this Journal. locality who have thus arranged their plans.

It is with much regret that we have to state that we will not be able to attend. Certain matters of important business are about to come up, and we feel that we cannot go away any great distance until this business is disposed of. We extend to the officers and members of the convention our best wishes for the most successful meeting vet held, and also invite you to hold the next annual convention in Hanford, California.

Eat Califonia Fruit.

The Southern Pacific Co. has just issued a booklet entitled, "Eat California Fruit," "By one of the Eaters," which is both interesting and useful. It has over 30 pages, bound in a specially designed cover, and tells of our ink except in the busy season. Nothing, fruits and how to prepare them to make in the world could be more illogical. them palatable and healthful. The What they seek is trade. When less of booklet is dedicated to the lovers of it is around they should be more stren good fruit everywhere, whether it be uous in securing their share of it than the watermelon by the light of the when it is most active. In the latter crescent moon, June apples, scarce ov- case a fair part of it will come to er-ripe and vet o're the fence, of cheer- them anyhow. When a seller withup cherries, or juicy, sugary California draws from the advertising field in prunes.

beep printed and is being widely dis- of publicity. Steady advertising is the

national meeting, if we are permitted nian the booklet contains some interestto take into consideration the fact that ing facts. You should have a copy. It many bee people from all over the is free for the asking. Write to Charles world have arranged to visit St. Louis S. Lee, passenger traffic manager, San Cal., mentioning this

The Right Kind of Advertising.

The matter of advertising is one that does not always receive the attention it should, especially from those who advertise in a small way. A small advertisement will always bring more business than none at all, but it should be kept up. Advertising only once in a while does not pay. The California Fruit Grower has this to say on the subject of the right kind of advertising:

"Money is spent for advertising all the year around. More is spent in one seasons, says a leading trade publication, than in another, yet every day and all the time money is spent. Still there are advertisers, and their name is legion, who will not use printer's the dull season he surrenders to his An editon of 100,000 copies has rivals in trade the benefits which come

lastingly at it brings success.

"The more money spent in advertising by any concern the more business that concern will do. New patrons do not often come with a rush, but one new purchaser a day means a sum total of several hundred a year-a very respectable number. The merchant princes of the country have all-with no exception-made their reputations and their millions through persistent adverti'sing."

Soms Good Notes.

By this time all supers should be re moved from the hives, and carefully stored away secure from mice and spiders, as these things delight in building nests and webs in a pile of supers.

Extracting supers with their combs probably are as well left on strong Foss, in California Cultivator.

advertising that pays. Keeping ever- colonies as they will keep them in good condition.

> In the operation of removing the supers it is well to notice the condition of each hive, in regard to stores, lifting the hive or tilting it a little, its condition can be usually judged, and those that are very light can be examined and if in good shape except lacking stores, can be fed at once.

> Probably some of these will be found queenless, and to save the combs the bottom board should be removed and the hive placed on top of a strong colony and the combs will be saved for use another season, whereas, if left on the old stand they will be eaten by moths.

> The less disturbance the better for the bees at this time of the year.

> Bees in most localities are probably gathering enough honey for their present needs, gums and wild buckwheat are producing a little honey .- A. J.

OFFERINGS. EDITORIAL

More Expansion.

We are pleased to announce that we Bee Journal is growing. have now purchased the Southland Queen, and its ciruclation has been the Southland Queen will now receive added to that of the Western Bee Journal. Thus is another bee journal removed from the troubled seas of bee topics from the South and also apicultural journalism, and thus, also, from Colorado. He advises us that he is the baby bee journal of the west will spend his winters in Texas and his growing larger. Every day we add new subscribers to our list, they are

coming in all the time. We are surprised at the number of subscribers we are getting from Europe. The Western

Persons who are were subscribers to the Western Bee Journal. Mr. Atchley will be on our staff and will write on summers in Colorado. He will also conduct our query department, and those who wish to ask any questions bearing on matters pertaining to bee culture are invited to send such questions to Mr. E. J. Atchley, at Littleton, Colo., inclosing a stamp for reply. The question will be answered in the columns of this paper. Fire in your questions.

All amounts due the Queen to August 1st are payable to Mr. Atchley. All business on account of the Queen since August 1st is ours. To as many as are in arrears for subscription to the Queen we would say that Mr. Atchley would be pleased to have you remit the amount, and we wish to add that we shold like to have you send in your renewal at once, accompanyed by the cash.

Mr. Atchley has written the following letter, which bears on the sale of the Queen to us:

To my Patrons and Friends :-- I now, with much regret, make you all a bow and say good-bye, as editor of the Southland Queen. I have the sold Queen to Mr. P. F. Adelsbach, and will te pleased to have you all continue with him. I shall try to keep you all posted as best I can on beekeeping in the South. Texas, and also in the West, as I am going to winter in Texas and summer in Colorado. My only reason for selling the Queen is that I had too many irons in the fire and some of them had to be taken out. After long and careful thought I sold the Queen, as my time was too much taken up to give the time required to get out a good paper.

All amounts due the Queen up to August 1st are to be paid to me, and those owing me will please forward the amounts. In making the transfer the August number was lost, as the names of my subscribers did not reach Mr. Adelsbach in time for him to mail out with his August issue.

With these few remarks I wish you one and all much pleasure and happinescs, and thanking you, every one of you, for your kind support, I am, as ever, Your friend,

E. J. ATCHLEY.

Once more we wish to ask those of our subscribers who are in arrears to kindly remit to us at once. We have been to considerable expense recently and have to make it back from the Journal. Presses, type and printers' machinery cost money, to say nothing of paper, etc. All we ask is that you do by us as you want to be done by.

We are sending out a great many sample copies this month. Everyone who receives a sample copy of this Journal for September will also receive a copy of the Pacific Tree and Vine, published at San Jose, Cal. This is done for the purpose of interesting persons to subscribe for our Journal and at the same time giving them an opportunity to see the kind of a premium we give. The price of the Pacific Tree and Vine is \$1.00 per year. but if you subscribe for the Western Bee Journal, we will send it to you for a year free, as a premium.

The American Bee-Keeper for August says: "The Rocky Mountain Bee Journal and the Pacific States Bee Journal have been consolidated under the name of the Western Bee Journal. with P. F. Adelsbach at the editorial helm. The new journal is neat, spicy and instructive. It deserves success."

H. J. Mercer, secretary of the Cali- to new subscribers, but we will allow fornia National Honey Producers' Association, of Los Angeles, Cal., writes as follows: "I enjoy reading your paper as soon as it arrives, a good many people who are in the office pick it up and ask about it, and where it is published, etc. Of course, I gladly give them all the information possible."

By the time this issue reaches our readers B. S. K. Bennett, who formerly was in the bee business at Los Angeles, and who conducted for time a paper known as the "Pacific Bee Journal" there, will be facing the music from the harps of the Postal Inspectors. A whole lot of his work in connection with this paper and his supply business will not bear investigation with any credit to himself. The Western Bee Journal proposes to expose and bring to justice, where possible, all ... those whose operations with beekeepers are of a doubtful character. We shall have more to say next month, on this subject.

There is a most splendid magazine published in Los Angeles, called "Out West," a magazine of the Old Pacific This is a California and the New. publication, and to our mind is the equal of anything from the East. It ought to be particularly interesting to Californians, while those on the other side of the Rockies should not fail to know what this fine monthly has to say on current topics. The price is \$2.00 per year, but we have made arrangements with the publishers so that can send the Western Bee Journal and Out West, both for only \$2.00. This is

those who were subscribers to either the Rocky Mountain Bee Journal of the Southland Queen to have this premlum, provided they will send in the amount of their arrears and renew their subscription. This is an exceptional offer, and we are quite sure our readers will not fail to take advantage of it.

Thus far the honey season has been very unsatisfactory, in this part of the ' State at least. Army worms and butterflies have done their work pretty thoroughly, and our bees have had to take what was left. We have in mind a field of alfalfa that has always been the pride of the country for miles around, until this year, when the army worms kept it down, so that now there is barely anything visible, more than might be expect on a dry plain. In the southern part of the State it has been admitted that the crop would be a failure, and we read every few days where some beekeeper is arranging to feed his bees through the winter. The crop in central California is not a failure, but it is not anything to brag on, either. In view of this, then, one would naturally expect prices to come up, but the price offered so far has been anything but what we might have expected. However, we think that in a short time better prices will be offered. We daresay that some of this trying to hold down prices comes form a source least suspected by most beekeepers.

The columns of this Journal are always open to our readers for the discussion of propositions concerning bee raises queens for himself, but we have culture or allied subjects, and even to special reference to a professional the presenting of evidence with refer- breeder-not one in the whole State. ence to the conduct of persons who are operating to the detriment of bee- the West that when our beekeepers keepers. But we wish to say that we are ready for queens they have to wait cannot permit a continued and extend- till the breeders in the East can supply ed personal controversy to find its way to our pages. If one of our readers happens to disagree with something eome other reader has written and which we have printed, and as result has become so angered that the "scrapping" propensities seem to predominate, we wish to suggest that the aforesaid, first-named reader go away back and sit on a cake of ice for a few days. It is a fact that nowhere will you find ieverybody to agree with you, and if you must show the other fellow that he is wrong why not do it in a nice easy sort of way? More can be accomplished by going at these things nicely and smoothely than in a rough and tumble sort of way. Bear in mind then, that we are always glad to have .vou express your views concerning other people's ideas, but kindly handle the subject in such a way that you will not offend those who may read what vou have written.

Wanted -- A Qqueen Breeder.

Did it ever occur to you that there is not a queen breeder in the whole State of California? At least we have not heard of any who are doing business in this line, and we have sent inquiries far and wide. Of course occasionally there is a beekeeper who

The season is so much earlier here in them, which, it seems to us, is not always a desirable thing. The East seems to be fairly well supplied with queen breeders, and why such a splendid field as California must surley be, has been so long neglected is a mystery to us. Whoever the man is that comes and establishes himself here as a queen breeder, he will be sure to reap a rich harvest. There are, of course, men here now who are fully competent to conduct a queen rearing business, but inasmuch as they have not taken hold as yet, it strikes us that they did not care for the business there might be here. We need not dwell on the matter to show that the opening here is good and that there is a harvest for the man who goes into the queen rearing business here. That much is plain. Any man who can show a good record as a beekeeper, who is competent, and one who will deal "on the square" with the beekeepers is eligible. No better place than Hanford can be found in the State for establishing a queen-rearing apiary.

It is true, we are sorry to say, that there have been one or two parties who made an attempt to rear queens in California for the trade, but whose record is no credit to us, or them, either. A man who will run a queen rearing business with his apiaries rotten with foulbrood is not the kind of a man we want.

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Close-End Frames.

J. G. HAUPT, IN RICE JOURNAL.

Advocacy of these frames and the half-closed Hoffman's continues in beekeeping circles, manufacturers claiming that the sales of these far exceed those of the ordinary frames. Naturally, this would be a strong evidence of their superiority. This is not, however, always a safe conclusion. Popularity is as subject to analysis as any matter of sociology and fact.

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These frames lie close against each other in the hive. The bees glue them together in one mass. The getting out of the first frame is a task, rather than which I would take out all the frames of one of my hives. The rest is not so hard, but is exasperating enough. The first difficulty may be partly removed by the use of a larger hive and a loose inner board, but abundant troubles remain. The hive is jarred and jerked, the best bees are made vicious, even the man becomes more heathen, and for what good? To space the frames evenly! Idiocy. My frames space as evenly as these and much more rapidly. A lath is marked

each frame evenly spaced. With this the story as he would tell it, without

bees occasionally and closed-end written on one side of the paper only, frames make the hive firm. Moving in ink, lines not too close together, and is not a daily or weekly operation. must be legible. Letters must be of With a few-laths and nails it is not a reasonable length. difficult matter to secure the frames of any hive for any moving. I would who are paid up subscribers to the not suffer the great continual loss for Western Bee Journal. If you are not the slight occasional gain.

ends make almost a double hive, and arrears, send the amount you owe us, hence a warmer one. This is not a and renew at once. great point in our Southland, but in any place we want a movable comb mitted by one person. The right is hive, and a glued mass of frames can not be considered movable. Rather submitted in this contest, whether winwould I use three walls or five for ners or not. warmth than sacrifice a single jot of movableness. But a closed-end frame and prizes will be awarded as soon hive is by no means equal in warmth thereafter as we can determine which to a two-walled one.

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