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# The Best Queens of the Kind Leather Colored Italians...

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### HONEY DRIPS

#### BY B. B. BEES

- FALLBROOK.—Grain and honey buyers have been numerous here this week. The price of comb honey is steadily rising, 10 cents per pound being offered for the best grades. Extracted honey has not begun to move.
- CORONAS.—Chas C. Schubert reports (September 12) that \$10,000 worth of honey was shipped from here. Beemen generally are satisfied with the season's crop.
- TEXAS.—From Reeville, Bee County, Texas, the Jennie Atchley Company report, September 12, that the honey business has been quite good hereabouts this season, and prices have held up remarkably well, and we are able to place all the honey we have had at a fair price. Extracted,  $6\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 cents in bulk; comb, 8 to 9c, f. o. b. cars at Beeville.
- SAN DIEGO, Cal.—The honey crop in this county, this season, is the heaviest on record. Prices, however, not so high as last year.
- RIVERSIDE.—Mr. L. B. Dickerson and son, George, came up from their Riverside county ranch last week. They brought up about 1500 pounds of mountain honey, about 400 pounds of comb and 1100 pounds of extracted honey, which was a fine article.
- WILDOMAR.—September 3, Mr. Peters has disposed of his big crop of

honey, and it will be shipped some time soon.

- ELSINORE.—Aug. 29, several honey buyers have been in town the past week, and the bulk of the honey crop is being disposed of. John Johnson, representing a San Francisco firm, will ship two cars of extracted honey to Glasgow, Scotland, tomorrow morning. Gregory of Redlands is loading a car of comb honey from the Holman apiary.
- EL CAJON.—Sept. 11, a special meeting, devoted to the subject of the honey industry, will be held during the regular session of the Farmers' Institute at El Cajon. The Institute will open Saturday morning. The honey growers will be addressed by Prof. A. J. Cook on "Bees and Bacteria," and G. M. Hawley will deliver a paper on "The Best Bees for Southern California and How to Rear Them."
- ELSINORE. Judson House, representing A. Gregory of Redlands, purchased the honey crop of J. H. Holman and Charles Hauk, amounting to 1600 cases of comb. One car of it has already been loaded at Elsinore. The price paid was 9½ cents, f. o b., at this station, which is one cent more than previous offers. All the comb honey held by Elsinore people has been contracted for at 9½ cents. Most of this is in small lots, but combined it will make a big carload. Simon Levi of San Diego is the purchaser of the small lots.

At Eagle Peak the honey crop is exceptionally large this fall. H. William Mark has probably the largest yield and will market 22 tons. G. R. Ritchie will have seven tons; Ben Garboni, five tons; John Sehr, four tons, and several others greater or smaller amounts. This honey is all waiting for a market. The apiarists demand  $4\frac{1}{2}$  cents a pound. — San Diego Tribune.

Kar & Kester last Tuesday shipped the second carload of fine mesquite honey to New York this season. The honey produced in the Colorado valley has an extra fine flavor and brings top prices in the Eastern markets. The bee industry is in its infancy here, but promises rapid development in the immediate future. It is estimated that ten carloads of honey will be shipped out of the valley next season.—Yuma Sun.

Mr. Hugo Sontag, the apiarian, reports the present year an excellent one for his business. He has a fine apiary, containing 202 stands, and the location, at the base of the mountains, is especially adapted to be culture.—N. Ontario Surprise.

It has been estimated that the following bee men raised over 150 tons of honey this season: John Hornback, W. P. Murphy, O. G. McEuen, J. C. Wilms, Henry Otto, Mont Webster, H. O. Morris, Reuben Thomas, W. J. Niendorf, M. H. Martin, R. L. Lewis, Henry Auld, W. H. Frey, Mrs. James Rawson, J. H. Funk and Judge Haslam.—*Hemet News*.

A. B. and H. T. Mellen have sold a carload of choice comb honey to the Standard Commercial Co., of Reno, Nevada, and the same was shipped to Sioux City, Iowa.—*Acton Rooster*.

Mr. Julius Woock has sold his crop of comb honey. He informs us that there was considerable loss because of the late cloudburst, including a valuable calf, some bee supplies and honey. Loss about one hundred dollars.—*Acton Rooster*.

Another carload of Acton comb honey was sold to Redland parties and shipped to Chicago. We have the best quality of honey here because of the total absence of pepper trees, and a good supply of wholesome mountain plants.—*Acton Rooster*.

#### QUEEN REARING.

#### Queens by the Nursery Process—Difference in Localities—Which is the Best System in Queen Rearing.

#### BY A. B. MELLAN.

One of our Bee Fathers has said that "around the queen centers about all there is to bee keeping." For this reason I should like to see the subject of queen-rearing on the Pacific Coast discussed in the PACIFIC BEE JOUR-NAL during the next few months, so that we may be well posted on this subject when the next honey season opens.

If a beekeeper wishes to keep his apiary in good condition, he must give a great deal of attention to this matter of queen raising. Of course, he must buy some queens for breeding purposes, but his stock queens must be raised at the apiary, and the question arises what system must he use to produce the best results.

Mr. Doolittle now claims, I believe, that the nursery system does not give the best results, and that for every day that the cell is away from direct contact with the bees, the life of the queen is shortened by one month.

Now, I do not propose to criticise Mr. Doolittle, far from it; for I consider him one of the closest students and ablest writers on the subject of bee culture in this country, or perhaps in the world. But I have found by experience that the bees do not act just the same in all localities, and what may be all right in one locality would not work at all in another, even if it were the same apiary and the same beekeeper in the new location.

I found, during the two seasons that I worked my bees in Nevada, that what would be all right for comb honey in California would not work at all in Nevada; and it may be the same way with queen rearing, and a plan that won't work in Borodino, New York, will be all right perhaps on the Pacific Coast.

I have raised several hundred queens during the past three years, both in Nevada and California by the nursery process, and they have turned out the best queens in every respect that I have ever raised. When they first hatched from the cell in the nursery cage, they were nearly as large as laying queens, were a good color, and were well received by the nuclei, or colonies, when introduced; and I haved had fewer short-lived queens since using the nursery process than ever before.

I think that the beekeepers generally would like to read something on the above subject during the next few months. Won't some other bee man relate his experience along these lines.

Acton, Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 15th.

[Referring to the action of the same bees in different localities, I have found that an apiary which showed a quiet and peaceable disposition in a locality of high buildings and fences, shows a very mean and stingy disposition in an open ard mountainous location.—ED.]

#### MOVING BEES.

Ventilation, Darkness, Avoid Dust. FeedIng Preparation. A Two-story Hive Best.

#### BY M. H. MENDLESON.

VENTURA, CAL., Mar. 21, 1898.

I could not write a short article on moving bees, and do the subject justice for my time will not admit it and take up too much space. California summer moving on account of insufficient ventilation, and as our bees

gather pollen every month in the year and naturally stronger in numbers, that is where our bee men leave their hives well filled with honey in fall, for the most successful wintering. Plenty of honey and bees in fall leads to plenty of brood and bees in early spring, and in this condition greater care is necessary in the preparation and moving. Mr. Dadant's idea of darkness in a car is a good one. For that reason I prefer the night for moving with best success. It is cooler, the dust does not rise. but the dew keeps it down. Dust is suffocating and also makes dirty hives and combs, an elevated rack is better for moving to avoid the dust, and if no dust, the other conditions are an advantage for night moving, still it is hard on man, and I shall prepare a canvas, darkened underneath for day moving with good ventilation, and I have shade and darkness, but I shall not give up night moving for best success.

I prepare the colonies according to their condition. If with only three to four combs of brood, and bees accordingly, a full width and high entrance is best, an entrace screened is sufficient, but if more brood and bees full top ventilation is necessary, (but in cold weather in winter, brood entrance ventilation is sufficient.) There should be sufficient space between the tops of brood frames and the ventilating screen above to accommodate the full cluster of bees. if necessary, this will keep the brood from being over heated and consequent destruction of colony. I prefer full top ventilation, but a high brood entrance gives a good circulation of air.

Never put a top screen so close that bees can crowd around and smother. I once moved a lot of bees out of the Matilaja canyon after a big freshet, the road through or across the stream was full of bowlders, many times the axles of my wagon would drag over these bowlders and come down with a jar, still the resistance of the deep water kept my wagon from coming down too heavy, with careful driving, on examination I did not break a comb, but my bees got a fearful shaking up, the sun came out hot and in a couple of hours, the bees began to crowd under the screen, (for they were moderately strong,) was only a quarter of an inch from the tops of frames, consequently the majority of these smothered. After that I always had screens much higher.

If moving in warm weather and you expect to be a number of days on the road, then your bees should Take a shallow pan have water. and put in a cheap sponge and fill with water, if sponge is too expensive, take cotton batting, this will keep the water from spilling, put on top of frames and fasten it to keep from sliding about and killing bees. Caution, do not be too generous with water. I should mention if brood is close to top bars in old combs, even with plenty of honey in old combs with care you should move with success, cocoons in old combs strengthens. New combs with a circle of honey at top and plenty of brood and careless preparation and rough driving, the brood and comb will break off at the edge of honey and cause loss. When I moved to bean fields I strived to have from twelve to fifteen pounds of honey, although I move with hives full of honey with success, but the least honey is preferable. If you use a super in the hive then alternate with combs and empty frames, but three to four combs is much better, even brood department alternated is better with extreme warm weather.

As regards this season, I could not give definite methods of procedure, localities differ.

This will be one of the worst seasons in this locality and surrounding country. In good years I am an advocate of two story ten framed hives and full of honey at the end of extracting time, this insures plenty of honey to carry over a dry year. In fact I wish it for every year and shall have my hives all two stories as stated in future. This is the only sure, successful way. Well I have written too long already. Single stories well provisioned and no access to pollen and honey, bees will not use as much honey as in a two story. If we want our bees to go through the coming winter in good condition, it is necessary to have plenty of young bees in the fall, still if we feed in May or June we have the amount of bees to take care of and feed at once, and if waiting until fall to feed them you will have weaker colonies to go through the winter, slow feeding will consume more honey, while rapid feeding is economy in feed. If possible I wish my colonies to go through strong in number, and it takes considerable honey. In talking with Mr. McIntyre on feed, he is of the same opinion as myself, plenty of honey, from thirty-five to forty pounds of honey from now on, and more is much better.

#### A COLORADO EXPERIENCE IN CO-OPERATION.

Looking to Calfornia, where Specialists, Big Crop, and Low Prfces present a Problem for Solution.

#### BY F. H. THOMPSON.

I am chiefly interested in the PA-CIFIC BEE JOURNAL because of its nearness to the Exchange, with its efforts to solve the all-important question of marketing. From that point of view the past years' numbers have been interesting, but could be much more so. If anywhere, the rest of us must look to California, with its great numbers of specialists, heavy crops and low prices, for the initiative in solving the problem—for the incentives are all there in force.

We in Colorado have been having some experience in the great diffi-

culty of getting such a thing started. Our experience may be instructive. Two years ago, the State Association started in to co-operate in marketing. There was very little honey that year in the region where the chief promoters lived, so that the whole plan fell through. Last year the Denver Association took hold of it, the officers of the association being empowered to receive proposals for marketing honey. I was secretary at the time, and shortly after left for Montrose, of course withdrawing from the office. Before leaving, I called the special attention of the president to the necessity for appointing a new secretary at once, in order to carry out the plan. Would you believe it? Absolutely nothing was done that season, though the crop was abundant and prices lower than ever before. While in Denver last winter, at a meeting of the Denver Association, the president and vice-president being both absent, I was called on, as a former member of that committee, to report for it, and had to say that no report could be made, and did not know the reason.

Beekeepers are not business men, as a rule. Let us keep that in mind. Business men would either have done something, or tried to do something, or explained why they could not do something after investigation. The moral is, don't rely on beekeepers, as beekeepers, to do anything for themselves. They can see a penny directly in front of them, and that is all they can see. In association meetings, one soon comes to find out the reliable men-providing rotation in office is practiced, which unfortunately is not always the case-those who will do all the work expected of them, and look around for more; in short, whose heart is in the work. But even these are not always business men, consequently, the choice of effective instruments in carrying out such difficult matters as co operation is very limited indeed. But just those

should be chosen, and no others. The "representative" plan looks very fine, but doesn't work in practice.

Then comes the question of remuneration. They can not work for nothing. But bee keepers would rather sell their honey for a cent less, it seems, than keep up the price and expend a quarter of a cent in doing it. Distrust is the rule. We can hardly blame them, after the failure of so many banks. But this difficulty must not be overlooked.

But prices are such that something must be done. In the face of the above drawbacks, not always considered, we cannot expect anything great. But whatever is done, let's know about it. We need all the encouragement we can get. Just now, a joint committee of the State and the Denver Associations is working on a plan. There are some business men on the committee. They say no matter how few go into it, those few will go ahead. But what nonsense for ten men to stand by and watch two men tugging at a log, and say they will help if the two move it ! Ten to one, the log will not be moved, and then the cry will be "co-operation doesn't work." But that is just what we must expect.

In this connection, the following, from The Promoter, a little periodical issued by The Abbey-Hardy Co., of Grand Junction, will be found to contain some things we can agree with -and some we can't: "We have recently received letters from California regarding their methods of marketing fruit, and from them we glean the information that the most prosperous districts are those that have never encouraged associations, and the most prosperous growers are those who have refrained from operating with co-operative movements, and have marketed their crops well - established, legitimate with middlemen. . . . The details of the marketing of farm products are a business instinct, and separate from

the growing of same, and the people who can most successfully handle the marketing are those who are in closest touch with the markets, and who possess the business ability to know when and how to act. . . . The requirements necessary in handling this business are seldom found in the managements of associations. Among the many reasons advanced as the cause of their failure in California is that their managers were either inexperienced, or had made a failure of doing business themselves.

Did you ever stop to consider how little there is in the cry "Beware of commission men"? It is usually made by members of associations who have never considered that ninetenths of the output of the association is marketed through a commission house, and always will be.

Contrast the above with advice given by a Denver commission man: 'We realized ten years ago that associations formed in fruit districts were not only a benefit to the individuals interested, but a decided material advantage to the community where located. We have been instrumental in various parts of the country in assisting in the formation and successful operation of such associations. By forming an association, you at once obliterate competition amongst yourselves. As it is now, you have too many competitors and not enough purchasers. Reverse the situation and you eliminate your element of weakness. By unity of action, you can stop adulteration and increase the home consumption a hundredtold." He also said "Until a year ago the Rocky Ford melon growers realized nothing. Many crates were sold here for less than the cost of the crates. They finally formed an association, and made a contract with an Eastern firm for 25 carloads. The firm used 118 carloads, at 75 cents a crate. Last year they took 300 carloads, at 95 cents a crate. Fifty crates were shipped to London. This year, the same firm will probably have 600 carloads. It does not make so much difference what the price is, as that the parties cannot buy for less."

It is by thus viewing both sides of the question that we may hope to entertain some ideas, and form properly restricted plans which have some chance of success.

The first quotation misses one point. Suppose commission men do handle nearly all produce; they themselves are not united, and are powerless to withstand the demoralizing effect of cut rates, made by shiftless beekeepers and farmers—no, shiftless is not the word, but unbusiness-like. Organization is the only remedy.

F. L. THOMPSON, Box 74, Montrose, Cal.

#### ARIZONA HONEY EXCHANGE.

B. S. K. BENNETT, Los Angeles.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 5th at hand. Must say I am a little surprised at the information it contained. It confirms my opinion formerly expressed, that when California gets a crop of any thing they proceed at once to knock the bottom out of prices. When you wrote in June you said but very little would be offered at such low figures as were then offered.

The Eastern dealers have been saying that the, were getting all the honey they could sell, for 4 cents f.o.b. California. I could not see where it was coming from as I knew central California was holding. Now I understand. 100 cars sent by Southern California explains it, and of course we can expect no advance as long as you supply the demand at present figures. The fact is, friend Bennett, it makes me a little "hot under the collar" to have you California bee men "swamp" the market as they are doing and so injuring bee men all over the country by keeping prices below where they should be, besides getting less themselves than they could just as well have.

Now the question is, are you going to put that other 100 or 200 cars on the market at present figures? Please let me know as I don't believe there is much use for bee men here and elsewhere to try to boost the market as long as you are shipping at present figures. If you will hold firm for 6 cents selling price less freight and 5 per cent commission in the East on its f.o.b. equivalent the price will go up *at once* because all other large producing sections are now holding firm.

As for any bee keepers forming a "combine" with Southern California, we would want to see that you can combine and work together among yourselves first, it seems to me. So far you have failed.

Very truly,

J. WEBSTER JOHNSON.

We wrote Mr. Johnson that as soon as buyers realized they had gotten all the 4c honey, that the balance of crop would be held for 5c here, prices must surely advance, which advance already shows itself in letters and telegrams from Eastern markets.—[ED.

#### BEE-KEEPING FOR A FARMER'S WIFE.

Every farmer's wife appreciates pin money, especially in spring and summer. She wants a new bonnet, but the good husband—well, sometimes may think as I do about that time, ("just dead broke,") or perhaps its not the right time of the year to sell hogs or corn, and then you see some coaxing. Then the good husband thinks, "I wish there was a way to earn pin money for you women folk."

Interest the good wife and daughter in bee keeping. Buy a hive or two of pure Italian Bees, by all means in modern hives. Nothing on the farm brings such big returns for little labor and money invested. Perhaps I hear you say Bees, nay nay, they have stings, that hurt; take my word, if by chance you get stung, always scratch out the stinger, never rub, or pull it out, as then you push the poison in the skin and that is what hurts. For a small sum of money you can buy a veil to protect your face, and gloves for your hands thereby you avoid being stung. I don't believe in mind over matter, but when I get stung, one scratch and on I go, next minute I forget I was stung.

Don't raise comb-honey, raise extracted. It is easier. You raise three times more with one-third the trouble and sell it at the same price.

When I was a boy at school, I spent my vacations on the farm. We had 30 stands, and raised only extracted honey. The summer in question was a good year. During the honey flow father was too busy at home, and I was bee keeper. I extracted over 2,000 pounds in three weeks. We stored it in two big tanks in the work shop. One day while at the town near by, I happened to drop into the little newspaper office, for I knew all the boys in there. During the course of conversation, I related my experience to the editor. Behold, the next day he gave me quite a write up. You ought to see the honey I sold after that. They came in buckboards, buggies, farm wagons, and even log wagons, with milk-pails and other pails. It was then threshing time, money plentiful, and honey all sold in a few weeks. You ought to have seen my pockets, chuck full of money. When my father came out, after the busy time was over at our home, he was simply astonished at my work.

You can do the same at your home. Everybody likes honey. When you have plenty, be liberal, make your neighbors a present of a small glass, insist on every person tasting while you are with them, put out a sign on the fence "Honey for sale here," and with a little effort you will be surprised what pin money you will make. FRED W. MUTH. Cincinnati, O., Sept. 15th, 1901.

#### EDITORIAL COMMENTS

#### BY B. S. K. BENNETT

Extra pages. New frontispiece, representing the California bear offering our celebrated Sage Honey to the world. Increased advertising, and the large number of copies—2050 indicate the favor with which our beekeepers receive this paper.

The honey market is much firmer, and telegrams come every day announcing better prices. White is in little demand at  $4\frac{1}{2}$ , with light amber selling at  $4\frac{1}{8}$  to  $4\frac{3}{8}$ , and amber at 4 cents in Los Angeles. Comb is up to  $12\frac{1}{2}$  at wholesale.

Eastern people have so rushed us on honey that we have not had time to open the proposed honey store yet. We have now on hand some special water white honey.

In estimating the season's honey crop, Gleanings editorial says: "There seems to be a combination of forces at work in Southern California, probably inspired by the buyers, to create the impression that there have been 500 or 600 carloads of honey produced in the southern counties, that their advices show only 140 cars all told." I have met several buyers, also beemen, who have made the above large estimate; but found it an easy task to make them "take water," and tack down to 220 or 300 cars; for 1896-a splendid season, with double the number of bees and skilled beemen, produced 500 cars.

I have been over several counties, had advices from all counties, know all the beemen in this county, and positive now of their production, having bought 10 cars, and having options on 25 more, I believe we shall thus easily arrive at a close approximation to the truth of the matter.

While we are at variance with the buyers as to amount, they will not buy, but they are in the field, and have a good chance to know, and are now advancing prices on the conservative estimate of 250 cars. They are also well aware that already nearly 100 carloads have gone East, that we use locally 25 cars, that many cars are held stiff at 5 cents, and what few more remain must eventually come closely up to the holding price, and hence prices must inevitably advance, and buyers "get a move on" to fill their orders.

All straight car shipments of comb honey have gone, and the eastern buyers have hardly realized the fact —they are now writing and making fancy bids, but what is left is in small lots and much scattered. I have cleared the Los Angeles market of all surplus, and now we see 12½ cents as the price for No. 1 comb honey, at wholesale.

All beemen should take the BEE JOURNAL. It would pay them to keep posted.

The World's Product this year, by the best authorities, is not more than last year, then why low prices for California, when last year's supply could not meet the demand, and many markets went begging for honey? When this year's crop is marketed, many markets will be missed, this has already actually transpired with our comb production.

Some irresponsible buyers have put in an appearance on the honey market, and many parties, styling themselves firms and companies, have bought honey of beemen, without any intention of paying. I have succeeded in running several of these to earth, and am endeavoring now to a get a settlement with them, and if they don't come to time, I can promise some tall free advertising in the near future.

Beemen, don't send your honey without pay, unless you know your party. There are plenty of responsible firms buying. Don't be caught by fancy prices that are quoted much above the market.

Write to me, and I shall be most happy to advise you as to the character or business standing of the par ties to whom you propose to ship honey, without charge.

#### PLEASANT WORDS OF BROTHER EDITORS.

#### A CALIFORNIA BEE JOURNAL.

The new series of the Pacific Bee Journal, bearing the insignia of "Vol. IV., Aug. I," is before me. The editor, B. S. K. Bennett, in heralding the reappearance of his journal, says: "We have awakened out of a sound sleep of three years to find the bees again humming, honey aflowing, and the bee-men much agoing." Friend Bennett has put a good deal of life and energy into this number. He is a man who is thoroughly acquainted with all the special climatic conditions of the State of the setting sun-at least that was my conclusion after having made a forty-mile ride with him over the mountains in the vicinity of Los Angeles. This trip, or, rather, the stops we made on it, will be illustrated in Gleanings. and then I shall have pleasure of formally introducing our brother editor. In the meantime I am glad to extend to him on behalf of Gleanings the right hand of fellowship. There is a broad field for a bee-journal in California, and there is no reason why the old-new journal should not be a success.-E. R. Root-Gleanings in Bee Culture.

THE PACIFIC BEE JOURNAL, which claims to have been sleeping during the last three years of drouth and poor honey crops, has now awakened; and, with its same old editor, B. S. K. Bennett, shows the brightness that usually succeeds a nap. Remember, it is a dollar monthly published at Los Angeles, California.—W. Z. Hutchinson—Beekeepers' Review.

Another star-the eighth, we believe-has burst forth in the constellation of apicultural journalism. The PACIFIC BEE JOURNAL, after a sleep of over three years, has been resurrected by its former publisher, B. S. K. Bennett, and will shine upon the beekeeping world from Los Angeles, California. The State that has produced honey by the scores of carloads ought to support a publication of its own, as it doubtless will. The Journal wishes its newly revived contemporary a successful career.-H. C. Morehouse-The Rocky Mountain Bee Iournal.

#### THE PACIFIC BEE JOURNAL.

B. S. K. Bennett has handed us the August number of THE PACIFIC BEE JOURNAL. It is full of information for the bee-keeper, printed on good paper in a neat book form, and is a publication that he can well afford to be proud of. The JOURNAL is a monthly and is well appreciated by our bee-business men, judging from the long list of ads in the August issue. Mr. Bennett is a practical beekeeper, well acquainted with the practical up to-date methods of California beekeepers, and not afraid to go out amongst the bees and apiarists all over the coast, and obtain first-hand information that is of value to honey producers. Give him a hearty when he calls on you for a subscription. Only one dollar a year. Cheap and worth double the money.-The Rural Californian.

### OUR NEW HONEY PRODUCER'S AS-SOCIATION TO BE CALLED

The Pacific Honey Producer's to Combine With The California Bee-Keeper's Exchange.

The largest meeting the California Bee-keepers have ever had will take place at the Chamber of Commerce, October 21-22.

The object of the Association is to establish and maintain a uniform system of producing, grading, packing, storing and marketing of the bee's product.

To set a price and maintain said price, by purchase of outside lots. To have a special brand, together with each producers label or brand.

Membership to be extended to producers of comb and extracted honey; to merchants and firms dealing in honey and to manufacturers of Bee supplies.

The capital stock to be fixed at \$500,000 at \$5 00 per share. A colony of bees will buy a share, bee shares to bear no interest. All stock to be non-assessable.

The Association is to deal in honey, bee supplies, honey yielding, lands and locations, to make advances of supplies, to advance money on honey and to make loans on Bee shares.

The Board of Directors to consist of nine stockholders, five of whom constitute a quorum. The directors to be elected by a majority of votes of all votes cast, and are to hold office for one year. Compensation of directors to be limited to actual expenses. Indebtedness not to exceed one-half of the paid up capital.

A Secretary, who need not be a director, a General Manager, with District Managers, who are to have charge of honey, supplies, merchandise and bees. Compensation for these officers to be fixed by the directors.

The General offices, warehouse and factory to be located at Los Angeles.

Each member is to notify the Association of the number of cases of comb and extracted honey produced. The members to receive 90 per cent of the whole amount of the minimum prices; 10 per cent is to be retained, and after deducting expenses the remainder is to be divided among the members in proportion to the amount of honey deposited by them. Other profits are to be added to a permanent fund, payable to iusurance of members.

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man, G. Donkowsky, E. A. Fisher, J. B. McClure, B. Hutchens, J. A. Pease, G. J. Lynn, J. H. Miller, A. B. Mellen, J A. Johnson, J. Moffit, B. S. K. Bennett, Emerson Bros., C. Bergk, Maj. Merriam, E. A. Honey, N. Cochem, W. B. Whittaker, J. C. Odell, J. W. George, D. A. Wheeler, John Hauser, N. Phukharp, Wm. Erdman and many others.

#### HONEY CONTRACTS.

Judge Conklin yesterday rendered judgment for the defendant in the suit brought by Ed Fletcher against E. W. Bougher for the recovery of a sum of money on a honey contract. Mr. Fletcher claimed that Mr. Bougher agreed to furnish him 12,-000 pounds of honey, but instead of keeping the agreement, took his honey to another merchant before the six tons was delivered. It was brought out in the trial that no contract was executed and that the honey was to be delivered subject to inspection. Judge Conklin held that the honey could be withdrawn any time before inspection, and therefore gave judgment for the defendant .--San Diego Union, Jan. 6, 1901.

#### HONEY MARKET REPORTS.

NEW YORK—Honey—Fancy white in demand; Receipts light. We quote as follows: Fancy white 14; No. 1 white 13; No. 2 white 12. Sales of extracted, reported at 4½ to 6. Beeswax light demand at 27 to 28.

MILWAUKEE—Honey—As the winter season approaches we expect a large demand. This market is favorable for shipment of good honey. We quote Fancy white, 16 to 17; No. 1 white 15 to 16; amber, 12 to 14; extracted, 7 to 9; Beeswax, 25 to 30.

DENVER—Honey—Fancy white, 12; No. 1 white, 11; fancy amber, 6; white extracted, 6; amber, 5. Beeswax, 25. We are having a good demand for fine brand of extracted honey.

BOSTON—Honey—Fancy white, 16 to 17; No. 1 15 to 16; white extracted 7 and 8; amber, 5 and 6. Beeswax, 25 and 26. Lighter demand owing to warm weather. We want a strictly No. 1 article. Full supply of extracted honey. 1901

DETROIT—Honey—Fancy white, 14 and 15; No. 1 white, 12 and 14; fancy amber-8 and 9; No. 1 amber, 7 and 8; white extracted,  $6\frac{1}{2}$  and  $7\frac{1}{2}$ ; amber, 6 and 5. Bees, wax, 26 to 27.

KANSAS CITY—Honey—No. 1 white, 10 to 12; No. 1 amber, 9; No. 1 dark, 8; extracted white, 6; amber, 5 to  $5\frac{1}{2}$ ; dark, 4 to  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ; Beeswax, 25. Market fair.

CLEVELAND-Honey-Fancy white 12 to 13; No. 1 white, 11 to 12; No. 1 amber, 9 to 10; extracted white,  $6\frac{1}{2}$  to 7; amber,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to 6. Beeswax, 26.

Los ANGELES—Honey—Fancy white, 12 to 14: No. 1 white, 10 to 12; fancy amber, 9; fancy dark, 5 to 6; dark, 3. Beeswax, 21 to 23. Grower and dealer far apart; expect much trading later.

PHILADELPHIA—Honey—Fancy white, 13; No. 1 white, 11; No. 1 dark, 5 to 6; extracted white, 5 to 6; amber, 4 to 5; dark,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 4. Beeswax, 25. Market dull on honey. Beeswax always in demand.

ST. LOUIS—Honey—Fancy white, 12 to 13; No. 1 white, 11 to 12; fancy amber, 9 to 10; No. 1 amber, 6 to 9; fancy dark,  $7\frac{1}{2}$ to 8; No. 1 dark, 6 to  $7\frac{1}{2}$ ; extracted white, in cans,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to 7; amber in barrels, 3 to  $3\frac{1}{2}$ . Beeswax, 22 to  $23\frac{1}{2}$ . Extracted honey especially slow; as a rule it goes to bakers and manufacturers. Choice white comb honey in good demand. Extracted goes well in October.

CHICAGO-Honey-The receipts of comb honey are heavier, and the demand is hardly sufficient to take all that is being offered. Choice white in the so-called pound sections continues to bring 15c, while other lines that can scarcely be called choice nor even grading as No. 1, sell at 14c; the light amber grades bring 12 to 13c; at present no dark comb is on the market. Some sales have been made of white clover extracted at 7c; basswood in some instances has brought nearly as much, but some other grades of white are dull at 51/2 to 6; amber ranges from 51/4 to 53/4, depending upon the body and flavor, buckwheat and other dark grades selling slowly at 5c. There is an easier feeling in beeswax, with 28c about as much as it will bring.

SAN FRANCISCO—Honey—Honey is firmer in this market at the following f o.b. quotations: Extracted amber, five-gallon cans, 4 to  $4\frac{1}{2}$ c; extracted light amber, five-gallon cans,  $4\frac{1}{4}$  to  $4\frac{1}{2}$ c; extracted water white, 5 to  $5\frac{1}{2}$ c: comb, amber, 1-lb. frames. 9 to 10c; comb, white, 1-lb. frames. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $10\frac{1}{2}$ c; beeswax,  $24\frac{1}{2}$  to 26c.

CINCINNATI — Honey — Demand for extracted honey is good and finds ready sale at prices ranging as follows: White clover, 7 to 8c; Western N. W. alialfa,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to 6c; comb honey, fancy and No. 1, 14 to 15c; lower grades hard to sell. Beeswax, good demand at 27c.

BUFFALO—Honey—Strained or extracted honey sells pretty slow here unless sold very low. Comb honey is selling pretty well and will soon sell faster when the fruit gets scarcer. Fancy white comb honey, 15 to 16c; No. 1 white comb honey, 14 to 15c; No. 2 white comb honey, 13 to 14c; No. 3 white comb honey, 12 to 13c; dark comb honey, 8 to 10c; extracted, white,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to 6c; extracted, dark,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  to 5c. Beeswax, 27 to 30c.

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