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That Will Stimulate Them to Action—Many Bee Keepers in County

County Agent Gray furnishes us the following communication that the beekeepers of the county may get the benefit. Read it, if you have bees on your place, and profit thereby:

"If the bees have been well cared for during the winter they are beginning to get uneasy and want to go to work as soon as the just warm days arrive. At this time the hive should be opened and an examination made in order to ascertain whether there is still a good supply of food on hand. They will now require more food than they did while practically dormant. If the food is scarce feed them. This will not only stimulate the workers to action but will also induce the queen to begin laying earlier than she might otherwise."

"Another reason for inspection is to see if any disease is present. This not only is important to you but to every beekeeper in the county. Destroy all the diseased frames and then clean up everything that could in any way spread infection. There are about three hundred and fifty beekeepers in the county and it is to the interest of each one of you that all diseases promptly dealt with."

LITTLE-BOY, BIG-BOY, AND THE GARDEN ELF

Written for the U. S. School Garden Army, Dept. of the Interior.

Little-Boy and the Wide, Wide World. PART ONE

Good morning, sun, good morning, grass and trees,
Good morning, pretty flowers and honey bees!
Good morning, sky, that looks so cool and blue,
Good morning, world, I'm glad I live in you.

And I am sure everyone should be glad to live in such a beautiful world. Little-Boy was glad that she lived in it, and so was Big-Boy. Little-Boy lived in a low white house that nestled down in the very center of a lovely garden. Her window overlooked the garden. It was a garden of gay blossoms; of sweet grasses and climbing vines; of bursting seed pods and budding leaves. A robin hopped upon the grass. The bumble bee sang her song:

"Bumble, bumble," sang the bee, Come to the clover fields with me; There you shall see where my work doth lie; No busier worker than I, than I."

"Why, Bumble Bee, I didn't know that you were a worker," said Little-Boy. "I thought the honey bee that

gives us golden honey was the only busy bee."

"Bumble, bumble, tho' I'm humble And not sung of like my sister, I am useful," sang the bumble. "I'd give you food, Oh, Maid and Mister."

"I should say she does," chirped a tiny voice that seemed to come from a clump of violets.

What was that? Little-Boy was sure she had heard a voice, but perhaps it was the rustling of the leaves. She knew that all old gardens have voices; that they sang and laughed in the sunshine, and wept on rainy days and crackled when Jack Frost came around. And at night she heard the little rattling notes of kattydid and the crickets. And in the morning bird calls opened her eyes.

"He-ho, he-ho, he-ho!" Was that a bird with its morning call? "He-ho, he-ho, he-ho!"

Look coming over the garden wall!

And if it wasn't Big-Boy climbing over the wall where the rose vines grow. He tumbled right down into the pansy bed and the pansies opened their purple eyes very wide indeed, they were so surprised.

Did you hear a voice? asked Little-Boy. "Someone spoke to me about the Bumble Bee," but just then—

A tiny little fellow dressed in smock of green Hopping along on the grass was seen. Was he a pixie, an elf, or a fay? For he beckoned and piped, "Shall I lead the way?"

"There he is! There he is!" cried Little-Boy, her curls dancing up and down in her excitement. "Oh, look at him, Big-Boy!"

"Why, how do you do?" asked the Little Elf Man, hopping up and down on one foot. "How do you, and how do you, and how do you do again?"

"What a funny little man," said Little-Boy, and just then the queer little green man began to sing this song:

"Oh, I am a little Elf Man bold, And I live by myself 'neath the garden mold;

But I grew lonely so I came out To show Little-Boy and Boy about; So fol-de-rol-de-rol-de-rol, Follow me, follow me!"

And the astonishing little man turned a somersault into the air, and landed on a leaf where he bounced up and down as if he had been on a seesaw. "And now you are ready for your trip to the fairyland of Nature, so follow me, follow me!"

Just then something sounded through the air. It sounded like the top that Little-Boy's baby brother set spinning—"Hum-hum-hum-un-un-un-un."

"Bumble, bumble," sang the bee, "Are you going without me?"

"Have patience, Madame Bumble. We have another bee in our bonnets this morning," said the Little Elf Man. "We'll listen to your story another day."

"Hum-un-un-un, sang the Bumble Bee, "They had better let me tell them how I can make red clover grow."—By Cecilia Reynolds Robertson. (To be continued.)

A FRIEND RECOMMENDED THEM

A person often does more good than he realizes when he tells a suffering friend how to get well. J. N. Tohill, clerk Little Hotel, Evansville, Ind., writes: "For weeks I suffered constantly with pains in the muscles of my thigh. I was treated by the doctor for rheumatism but found no relief. Upon recommendation of a friend, I tried Foley Kidney Pills and began to get relief almost immediately. Good for backache, rheumatic pains, stiff joints. Sold everywhere."

POWER INSIDE PARTIES SAYS NATIONAL LEADER

A statement of the vexed question of women's partisanship by Mrs. Catt, national president of the suffrage association, has just been sent out. "It certainly was never any idea of the proposed league of women voters," she says, "that we should remain out of the parties and appeal to them for the things that we wanted to do. The only way to get things in this country is to find them inside the political party. More and more the political parties become the power through which things are accomplished. One cannot get congressional action or legislative action unless political parties are willing, so powerful are they."

"It is not a question of whether they ought to be powerful or ought not to be powerful; they are. It is the trend of the present political development and instead of appealing to them for the things you want it is better to get on the inside and help yourself to the things you want."

"Let no one of us lose sight of the fact that power to build a higher welfare for all lies within the parties and not without. Whether our nation attains that welfare depends upon the conduct of the voters who compose the parties. Independent, intelligent, lofty principled voters make great parties and great parties make great nations."

FEBRUARY EXPORTS SHOW DECLINE

A decided drop in exports was the outstanding feature of the February foreign-trade statement issued today by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, Department of Commerce.

February exports amounted to \$646,000,000, the smallest since October of last year, against \$722,000,000 in the preceding month of January and \$585,000,000 in February of last year. Exports during the eight months ended with February were \$5,231,000,000, against \$4,383,000,000 in the eight months of last year.

February imports amounted to \$467,000,000, against \$474,000,000 in January of this year and \$350,000,000 in February of a year ago. Imports during the eight months period ended with February amounted to \$3,235,000,000, against \$1,523,000,000 a year ago. The imports during these eight months, representing two-thirds of the current fiscal year, exceeded by \$140,000,000 the imports during the entire fiscal year ended with June, 1919.

Imports of gold during February were unusually small, amounting to only \$4,473,000, against exports of \$43,000,000. For the eight months period ended with February gold imports amounted to \$12,000,000 in February and \$68,500,000 in the eight months, while silver exports were \$16,000,000 for the month and \$137,000,000 for the eight months ended with February.

Don't marry too young, Martin Grey did and he got into a peck of trouble in "Who Cares?" at the Mecca tomorrow.



MASONIC CALENDAR

The fellow craft degree will be conferred Tuesday evening at 7:30, March 23.

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