

Agricultural.

Honey Bees.

One of the most interesting rural pursuits is that of keeping honey bees, either for amusement or profit.

There are three classes of bees, the queen, the drones, and the workers. There is never but one queen in a family of bees, however large, except young embryo queens, at certain seasons, propagated to issue with swarms.

The drones are a class of bees which seem to many persons to be quite useless; and without them the total destruction of all apiaries would soon ensue.

Some seasons no drones appear, and in such cases, as a general rule, no swarms are thrown off. The bees are possessed of an intuitive foreknowledge of events, and actually know in advance, whether the weather is to be favorable for the storing of honey.

The drones are the male bees, yet nature causes thousands to be produced, where scores or hundreds might suffice; yet as a day lost by a single young queen in her flight to meet her mate, is high in the air, is of more consequence than the feeding of a thousand drones for that day.

Here are a few remarks on the foregoing subject, which we clip from the Rural World: The sons of farmers commonly think their lot is a hard one. Unlike most city youths, they are compelled to perform daily toil.

When a farmer's son leaves home to be a clerk in some village or city store, or to engage in some other business, in three cases in four he takes the first step towards his pecuniary ruin.

When he gets to the city, he inquires for a boarding house; he applies to several, and finds the price of board from \$6 to \$10 a week—the cheapest, with fare he would not be satisfied with at home, being about \$6. He takes board at that rate, and begins to look for a situation—sees advertisements in the papers for clerks, but a hundred get the start of him, some of whom write splendid hands; and, of course, they get the situation.

In a few weeks his money is all gone, and he writes home for more; and the result generally is, that after spending from \$100 to \$200, and "seeing the elephant," he comes home disgusted with city life, and is willing to stick to the farm, or await a new outfit for a second trial for success.

Such an aspirant for money-making has his ardor somewhat cooled when he learns of city merchants, that they pay green hands only about enough to board them; say, from \$300 to \$500 for smart, active clerks, from 18 to 25 years old.

It is estimated that from 20,000 to 30,000 bees are produced in a hive in a single season; and the eggs from which they are hatched are all laid in about six weeks by the one reigning queen.

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to be plain with you, that is what's the matter. You know too much, in your own estimation; and the country is full of just such men as you, who never become rich or even comfortable in circumstances.

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