

of tuberculosis and cholera, being fatal and contagious. The state is compelled for general good to keep a state veterinarian to inspect and where necessary, quarantine, and in some cases, order destroyed and buried valuable farm animals. Unfortunately the honey bee is subject to contagious and fatal diseases, the worst of which are known as "black brood," and another as "foul brood." It was imported into Wisconsin some years ago, —and our beekeepers not knowing its nature, the disease has gotten into many counties and into several thousand apiaries.

By the call of the Wisconsin State Beekeepers' Association the Wisconsin legislature at once passed such laws as provided for a State Inspector of Apiaries, to inspect, and where necessary, quarantine, order diseased bees and appliances to at once be treated or burned. Fortunately the disease as now treated, is saving all the hives, live bees, honey and wax, and many other States, seeing the good this office was to this great industry, have enacted similar laws. Last season Wisconsin was able to secure as much strictly first class honey as any State in the Union, and has won several valuable medals at great fairs. I am sorry to say no Wisconsin honey will be shown at the St. Louis Exposition, as the State appropriation has been placed for other exhibits, prominent will be the dairy and its products.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The reports of the following committees were received and adopted:

ON EXHIBITS.

The committee on Exhibits and Dairy Machinery would respectfully report that as shown by the scores there is on exhibition a very high class of exhibits of both butter and cheese, though from the premiums offered in this department we would

expect a much larger exhibit of both of these products. There is a large exhibit of hand separators, machinery and dairy supplies of all kinds, and much interest was manifested in this line of exhibits.

H. J. Noyes,
J. R. Danks,
C. T. Bragg.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Platteville, Wis., Feb'y 12, 1904.

The committee appointed to examine the accounts and vouchers of the Secretary and Treasurer have examined such accounts and find them correct.

Chas L. Hill,
U. S. Baer.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions adopted by the Wisconsin Dairymen's Association, February 12, 1904:

Resolved, That this, the thirty-second annual convention held by the Wisconsin Dairymen's Association, ranks among the best meetings by this body; that the attendance and enthusiasm have been excellent; the convention hall commodious and warm; hotels adequate and to our liking; the Mayor and citizens of Platteville and vicinity kind and courteous; committees having in charge arrangements for the convention and banquet, active, efficient and untiring; that we are appreciative of the foregoing and extend sincere thanks to all engaged in making the convention so successful, and our stay in Platteville pleasant and profitable.

Resolved, That the action of railroad companies in granting reduced rates to those in attendance at this convention is sincerely appreciated and our thanks are hereby tendered for such courtesy and kindly consideration.