## HONEY CONTROL MEETING OF CANTERBURY BEEKEEPERS

After a long discussion at a meeting of the Canterbury branch of the National Beekeepers' Association at Timaru on Saturday, the question of cancelling its affiliation with the parent body was postponed by way of notice of motion for the next meeting. Thirty-three members were present.

In the meantime, a demand is being sent to the national executive to proceed at once with a postal ballot of all members on the question of whether the honey section of the Internal Marketing Department should operate on a voluntary or on a compulsory basis. A resolution was passed voicing the branch's strong objection to what was termed "the raw deal" that the beekeepers were receiving from the Internal Marketing Division, and pointing out that it would have the effect of reducing production.

In response to a request from the manager of the honey section to arrange a meeting to enable officers of the division to address members, it was decided to reply that no action would be taken until the Minister of Marketing (the Hon. B. Roberts) had replied to the requests of the deputation which interviewed him last month.

In response to a request from the Gore branch to support a request for an increase in payment for this season's honey to 9d per lb, "in view of the increased cost of production in recent years," it was decided to support the request, owing to "the decreased income due to the commandeer."

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