

for the remainder of the stock, and our consignees, Messrs. B. W. Potter & Co., said that if we could have continued the shipments regularly with each succeeding steamer, they could soon work up a trade for Canadian grapes at a probable paying price; this firm offering them by private sale and not by auction.

This season Mr. Dryden extended the experiment to include other fruits, and fitted the "Trader" of the Manchester Line with

Woolverton, W. H. Nelles, C. W. Van Duzer and S. M. Culp. In order to secure the cold storage space of 1,600 feet, it was necessary for us to combine and agree to fill it every time the Trader sailed. The apples were graded to uniform sizes and packed in half bushel cases. They arrived in Manchester in fine condition which proved how complete a success Hanrahan's system of refrigeration is, for the Astracan ripens in ordinary conditions a few days after it is



FIG. 1954. WILDER GRAPES AND KIEFFER PEARS PACKED FOR EXPORT FOR THE ONTARIO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

a cold storage compartment especially adapted for carrying fruits; he also fitted up a refrigerator car, after Hanrahan's patent, for the especial purpose of carrying fruit in perfect condition from the point of shipment to the steamer.

The first Trader shipment made was chiefly Red Astracan and Duchess apples, and was forwarded on the 25th of August. The following fruit growers united in making up the shipment, at their own risk, viz.: L. Woolverton, A. H. Pettit, E. J. Wool-

verton. Owing to the great crop of early apples in Great Britain, these perishable apples sold at 60 cents a case.

There were also some bushel cases of apples which sold for \$1.40 each, and some Wilson cases with fillers which sold for 96 cents each. One Wilson case containing one hundred Hales peaches sold for \$1.46.

The total proceeds of this shipment was \$438.91, a satisfactory amount were it not for the unusually heavy charges, which are considerably advanced this season owing to