

and well grown, but not quite ripe, made up the collection of Fruits.

Among the Flowers, the most prominent feature was a stand of Window Plants, of some fifteen or eighteen varieties, most of which were in bloom, and showed signs of skill and care in the cultivation. One of the Plants, a magnificent "Silver-leaved Holly," trained to a screen, excited universal admiration. Several bouquets and baskets of Roses and mixed blooms were fine and well arranged. Next came a fine assortment of garden vegetables for the season—excellent Cauliflower and Cabbage; very large crisp heads of Lettuce; good Beans and Peas; large and handsome Beets, and extraordinary "Early Rose" Potatoes—all combined to prove that the enthusiastic reports of the early French adventurers as to the fertility and warmth of soil and climate of the then infant colony of "Port Royal," was not without substantial foundation.

Taking everything into consideration, the Exhibition was a credit to those concerned, and it would be well to consider if something of the kind could not be gotten up at all our quarterly meetings, in order to make them more attractive and interesting to the public.

THE SEPTEMBER EXHIBITION.—The Fruit and Flower Show at Wolfville on the 16th and 17th of Sept., was on the whole more successful than we had reason to anticipate, as the Plums, which were expected to take the most prominent place in the Exhibition when the prize list was made up, were so general a failure, that at one time it was feared that there would be none to show. The season also was very backward, and the Early Autumn varieties of Fruits were immature and not perfectly grown or coloured. As it turned out however, of the sixty-eight prizes offered for Plums, thirty-eight were competed for and awarded, and eighteen gratuities granted by the Council for separate dishes or sorts for which no prizes were offered.

Pears were a more abundant crop, and consequently we had more in proportion to the number of prizes offered, than of Plums; yet strange to say, one of the most common varieties of Summer Pears, and one also that was just in season, the "Burbidge" was not on exhibition. Twenty-six of the thirty-five prizes offered were awarded, and eight gratuities granted by the Council.