

England, I had been promised by several extensive orchardists in this neighborhood a large number of specimens, but they all failed to fulfil their promise. Determined however, not to be completely foiled, I went down into my own cellars, and selected about twenty-four varieties, and these I packed in a trunk and took them with me; this was at the beginning of December, and about the end of January they were placed on the tables at South Kensington. They were reported on very favourably by the Fruit Committee of the Society, and a special certificate was awarded me for the display. Had I been better prepared I could have quadrupled the number of sorts, but as it was, the effort was very successful. The fruit was all grown on one farm. If the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association will make an effort next autumn, and get up a complete collection of the fruits then in season, I will guarantee to have them well displayed in London. Such a show would be a better advertisement for Canada than miles of figures and acres of statistics.

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During this month sheep require more attention than at any other time. If they have not been well cared for during winter, some will die. If the early lambs are not looked for and tended many of them will die. Feed the ewes well, giving grain daily, as well as hay; shelter from the north and west winds, and have your sheds so protected that the south west rains will not drive into them. Do not shut up your old sheep in the barn (except in severe frost) if you can help it, but they must be kept dry, and lambs must be kept warm. The finest breed of Sheep at the Exhibitions is the Cotswold, but it is not liked so well as the Canadian Leicester, (a larger sheep than the English Leicester,) of which a considerable number have been imported and spread over the country. They give very heavy fleeces of long wool, and large "quarters" for the table. These Leicesters are admirably adapted for improving the common breed of the Country, as the cross shows at once increase in size and productiveness in wool. Thorough bred animals yield a fleece of from 15 to 20 pounds weight annually, and lambs from a common sheep with a thorough bred ram will, at a year old, yield a fleece of 10 or 12 pounds. Another breed has been imported more sparingly,