

most showy varieties known. The prize for the best six varieties, green or yellow, was taken by the following list, viz.:—Yellow Egg, Washington, General Hand, Coes' Golden Drop, Imperial Gage, McLaughlin; Mr. J. K. Gordon, Whitby, being the exhibitor. For best six, red or blue, Mr. Alex. Glass, St. Catharines, carried off the first prize with Pond's Seedling, Victoria, Duanes' Purple, Glass, Columbia and Bradshaw.

*The first prize five varieties of Pears* were Sheldon, Beurre Diel, Flemish Beauty, Bartlett and Duchess; and the ten varieties included the following in addition, viz.:—Winter Nelis, Louise, Beurre Clairgeau, Beurre D'Anjou and Clapp's Favourite. The prize winner was Wm. Anderson, of Hamilton.

In *Apples* the following were the first prize ten varieties, and they were exhibited by Mr. S. Peck, of Albury:—Alexander, Duchess, Wealthy, Baldwin, Ribston, N. Spy, A. Gold. Russet, King, S. Pomme Grise, Ben Davis.

THE FRUIT EXHIBIT AT HAMILTON FAIR was certainly very excellent. The Hamiltonians claim that it surpassed that in Toronto. We will draw no comparisons, only remarking that it ought to do so, for it has one of the finest fruit districts in the world quite near at hand.

In the beautiful display of *Grapes* we noticed that Mr. S. Burner took the first prize for ten varieties, on the same kinds as he did in Toronto, while that for the six varieties was taken by Mr. W. H. Spira, of Stoney Creek, with (white) Lady Washington and Niagara, (red) Brighton and Delaware, (black) Worden and Concord. Some of Mr. Spira's Niagara's were certainly very fine. There was one bunch among them the weight of which was estimated at one pound.

*The first prize six varieties of Plums* were Jefferson, Gen. Hand, Pond's

Seedling, Duanes' Purple, Lombard and Prince Englebert. For a dessert plum the Imperial Gage took the first prize, and for cooking the Fellenburgh or Italian Prune.

*The show of Peaches* was, of course, very small, indeed only eighteen plates were shown, by three exhibitors. The first prize for the best collection was taken by Mr. Gage Miller, of Virgil.

*The show of Pears* was most excellent. Such immense specimens of Bartlett, Souvenir de Congres and Beurre Clairgeau are not often seen. Mr. Stipe, one of the directors, said a large part of this fruit exhibit would be forwarded to the Colonial Exhibition in England, and it certainly will reflect credit upon Canada.

THE SOUTH RENFREW FAIR, like others throughout the country this year, seems to have been an unusual success. It is interesting to notice that even as far north as Renfrew, the Fruit Department was a leading feature.

*The display of Apples* was larger than ever, and consisted of such varieties as Duchess of Oldenburgh, Wealthy, Magog Red Streak, Tetofsky, Fameuse, Alexander, Peach, Yellow Transparent and the Siberian Crabs.

*The show of Grapes* was, of course, small, and consisted of Concord, Champion, Agawam and Brighton. We are pleased to notice that a good many prizes were won by our Director for Division No. 2, Mr. A. A. Wright.

#### AMONG OUR NEIGHBORS.

We notice in the *Ohio Farmer* that the Seventh Annual Meeting of the American Horticultural Society was held early in September, in the city of Cleveland. Mr. Parker Earle, a famous Illinois fruit grower, is the President, and Mr. W. H. Ragan, of Indiana, the Secretary.

The small attendance of about forty