

Messrs. Marshall, Cameron, Bunting, Glass, Furlminger and Stewart.

Among those who were awarded prizes for apples were Harry Dempsey, Rednerville; Harry Marshall, Hamilton; Frank Onderdonk, J. F. Dempsey and S. Pem Peck, Albury; James B. Guthrey, Dixie; W. M. Robson, Lindsay; Mrs. Boyd Burk, Brougham; Dr. Foster, Oakville; Norman Brown and Edwy Brown, Eglinton; R. Houston, Dixie, and Alex. Glass, St. Catharines. For packages J. F. Dempsey got first and Frank Onderdonk second for one barrel for export, while the prizes for apples in boxes were divided among Harry Dempsey, J. F. Dempsey, Frank Onderdonk and Gordon Bunting.

First prize for best display of fruits went to St. Catharines Horticultural Society, while the South Fruit Growers' Association, of St. Catharines, got second. A. D. Broderick won first and G. Bunting second for fruit decorative centre piece.

### The Tomato Situation

The weather around Hamilton for the past four weeks has been most favorable for the tomato crop, but notwithstanding this the late varieties are a short crop and most of the supply received by the canners has been early varieties. In former years, when canners accepted these, the growers were generally docked a number of bushels on each delivery, but this year they were very glad to receive them without resorting to this imposition. The price paid for late tomatoes on the Hamilton market

during this season has ranged from 35 to 50 cents per bushel. From this a good idea of the scarcity may be gained. On account of the refusal of the canners to pay 30 cents on straight contracts a number of the growers have shipped almost their entire crop to outside points.—(E. J. Mahoney, Hamilton.

### AROUND ST. CATHARINES.

The favorable weather has brought the tomatoes around rapidly, and this week all the factories have been busy. Prices remain the same except that a few of the surplus tomatoes have, I believe, been sold for 25 cents.—(W. C. McCalla, St. Catharines.

### PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY.

The tomato fields are doing well owing to excellent weather. Factories are running full capacity.—(John W. Hyatt, Westlake.

### Improved Service

Now that the service for the exportation of apples and other green fruits is about to commence, the question of facilities furnished by the steamship lines from Montreal is of vital importance to exporters of these commodities. The improved service and equipment installed on the vessels sailing from the port of Montreal in recent years are largely responsible for the increasing demand for Canadian fruit, which can now be landed in Great Britain in first-class condition. The progressive spirit of the managers of the steamship lines has this season inaugurated a steamship service far in advance of anything that has been done heretofore. It

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