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Mr. A. G. Turney, the provincial horticulturist, has to date visited nine of the illustration orchards. On these visits general meetings have been held and the orchards pruned. In addition to this work, three large meetings have been held in the best apple sections of Albert county, at which practical demonstrations of trimming up old orchards, spraying, pruning young trees and selecting nursery stock were held. These meetings were all well attended, and the intention of the people to take hold of fruit-growing is evidenced in the placing of several spraying outfits.

According to Mr. J. C. Gilman of Fredericton, the past winter was not a hard one on fruit. The present outlook is favorable for a good crop of apples and berries. For the district around Shediac, Mr. H. B. Steeves reports that fruit trees and bushes came through the winter well and fruit buds are plentiful enough for good crops.

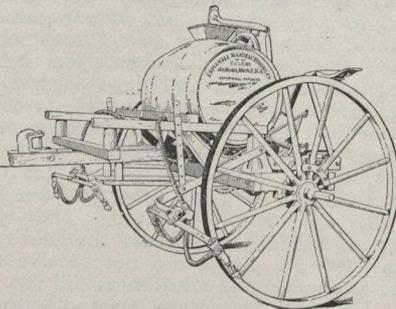
The Prince Edward Island Co-operative Fruit Co. has received returns for the shipment of Ben Davis apples sent to Great Britain in March. Although some of the apples arrived in bad condition, the net return to the growers is about \$2 a barrel.

In March the fruit dealers of Winnipeg petitioned the Dominion government to abrogate the tariff on fruits during certain months of the year. Contra-petitions were sent to Ottawa by the fruit growers of Ontario and in the House of Commons various members called attention to the injustice of the Winnipeg request. The Hon. Mr. Fielding, finance minister, stated in the House that nothing would be done this session to alter the tariff.

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