a very light yield. The same applies to the Baldwin in a number of districts.

In northern and western sections of the province correspondents report prospects are for a medium to full crop in Simcoe and Grey counties and a light to medium yield in Bruce and Huron counties. Winter apples in Lambton county do not promise a large crop. win. Spy and Ben Davis trees indicate a small yield is likely. In the southern portions of the province conditions on the whole are much the same. Reports from correspondents vary greatly, depending on local conditions. Only in rare sections is anything more than a medium crop expected, the majority of replies giving the impression that the total yield will run from very light to medium. Taking the replies received from all over the province, the crop evidently will not be a heavy one.

#### Plums a Failure in Many Sections.

The predictions made in the June and July issues of The Horticulturist that the yield of plums throughout the province this year would be light, were evidently well founded, judging from the reports received from growers as late as July 25.

Conditions in the southern portions of the province are the most favorable, as in the territory stretching from the Niagara district to Kent county, along the northern shore of Lake Eric. at least a light yield is expected in most of the counties, while some look for a moderate In Brant county plums are a failure in many sections, as is also the case in Kent Running north from Kent county to Georgian Bay and in the Lake Ontario districts orchards have been badly injured, report after report reaching The Horticulturist indicating the crop will be a complete failure. So universal are these reports of damage it is evident the total production throughout the province will be quite light.

### Pear Orchards Promise Light Yields.

Prospects for the pear crop at this date do not appear as bright as a month ago. The correspondents in the northern part of the province and along Lake Ontario report the crop in their sections will be a very light one. In only a very few counties is a full crop anticipated, while in many the yield promises to be a total failure.

In Wentworth and York counties early and late pears will be a light to medium crop. The Anjou variety in a number of counties is said to be a total failure. Ontario county growers do not anticipate anything more than a light yield. The same remark applies also to most of the other counties bordering Lake Ontario. In the northern sections, including Simcoe and Grey counties, correspondents seem unanimous in the view that the yield will range from complete failure to a light one, while in Bruce, Huron and Lambton counties the anticipations are for more than a light crop. Reulies received from the counties in the southern sections of the province go to show nothing morthan a moderate crop is expected. The total replies received indicate that the crop this year throughout the province will be a very light one.

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The mean temperature for the month of Junwas average, except in the more northern parts of Ontario, where it was very slightly aboveaverage. Temperature was fairly equable throughout the month: there were no periods of extreme heat, but the cool periods were tolerably pronounced. Rainfall was in excess of the average mean amount for June in the central and more northern counties of Ontario and markedly deficient near Lake Erle.

The first half of July was characterized by an excessive rainfall, almost the usual average monthly amount occurring during that period. This was probably more the case in the southern and central counties than in the more northern. The temperature up to the 15th was 1.4 degrees below the average mean at Toronto, and the discrepancy was no doubt general in the province. Sunshine for the same period was also generally deficient. From July 15th until the 20th fine hot weather prevailed, generally abnormally high temperature being recorded in all localities.

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