

of toilsome and unremitting labour, in which we were ably assisted by the ladies and other helpers in our party, and also by Mr. — Gibb, of Abbotsford, Quebec, who very kindly placed his time entirely at our disposal until our arrangements were completed. Some of our choicest specimens had been too much damaged in transit to admit of their being shown; still, when we overlooked our entire stock, we had so much to select from—thanks to our many kind contributors—that our display, when completed, was truly magnificent. At the head of our table, as visitors entered the room, fifty varieties of the choicest plums first greeted the eye. In this department no other collection came near us. Our plums astonished almost every one. Next, fifty varieties of grapes, arranged on plates stretching across the whole width of the table. Next, the peaches, which were very fine, and most of which had been contributed by our esteemed friend and former Director, A. M. Smith, of Grimsby—fifteen varieties in all. Then followed a truly superb collection of pears, embracing one hundred and twenty-two sorts, together with a beautiful private collection of our President's, including one hundred and ten varieties; and last, but not least, our valuable and most creditable collection of apples, numbering, in all, one hundred and forty kinds.

On Wednesday morning, before we had fully completed our arrangements, the hall was thrown open to the public, and soon the passages were crowded with deeply-interested spectators. Notwithstanding the fact that we had large placards, on which Canada's fair name was duly displayed throughout our collection, as well as that of "The Ontario Fruit Growers' Association," here, there and everywhere, still we met with many such remarks as the following:—"Is this the California table?" "These fruits are from California, aren't they?" And when told that they were all from Canada, eyes were opened wider than before, and the greatest astonishment expressed, and sometimes doubts expressed as to their being grown in the open air.

*Nebraska* had the best display of apples, consisting of 190 named varieties, besides a number unnamed. *Nebraska* also exhibited a few varieties of pears.

*Kansas* brought a very fine collection of apples, second only to *Nebraska*, also 20 varieties of pears, 5 varieties grapes, and specimens of the fruit of the Osage orange.

*Connecticut* had less than half the display which Canada produced. About 100 varieties pears, 80 or 90 apples, 10 varieties of grapes, and several sorts of cranberries.

*Ohio's* display consisted of 100 varieties of apples.

*Georgia* exhibited 12 or 14 varieties of pears, among which we noticed some unusually fine Seckel, and very large specimens of *Duchess d'Angouleme*.

*Virginia*, 12 to 15 varieties of apples, among which were immense samples of *Mammoth Pippin*, 25 pears, including enormous *Seckel* and *Duchess*, also five varieties of figs grown in open air.

*District of Columbia*, from 70 to 80 varieties of pears, and 3 sorts of peaches.

*California* exhibited 12 varieties of grapes grown in the open air, among which we observed five bunches of *Black Hamburg* and *Muscat of Alexandria*, one dish of sweet green oranges, one plate green olives, about 22 varieties of pears of immense size, among them were *Seckel*, *Vicar*, *Duchess*, *Easter Beurre*, *Beurre Clairgeau* and *Belle Angevine*; 44 varieties apples, among which were very fine specimens of *Spitzenburgh*, *Wagener*, *Greening*, and *Northern Spy*, also several varieties of lemons of enormous size, and specimens of *Shaddocks*, an immensely large variety of the orange, but of inferior quality, with a plate of *Pomegranates*.

Mr. Clapp, of *Dorchester, Mass.*, exhibited a magnificent plate of his Clapp's favourite pear, with samples of 86 other varieties of seedling pears. His No. 83 was a very handsome pear—No. 37, a seedling of *Beurre Bosc*, was not unlike the *Beurre Clairgeau* in form and colour, but his No. 33, as far as appearance goes, carries the palm. It is of a lovely pear shape, a bright colour, and ripens with the Clapp's Favourite; it seemed to be inclined, however, to rot at the core. No. 117 was also a handsome pear, not unlike the *Vicar* in form. No. 22 was a large and very beautiful pear. No. 111 not so handsome in form, but ruddy and of good size. No. 55 resembled *Marie Louise* in form and size. Besides those mentioned there were many others of promise. We anticipate with great interest the appearance of the report of the Committee appointed to examine these seedling fruits.

*John B. Mann, or Moore* (I don't know which), of *Massachusetts*, had on exhibition 55 new seedling grapes, many of them much resembling the *Concord*, and some of them very handsome. No. 1 is a large black grape, which claims to be 10 days earlier than the *Hartford Prolific*. If it is as good as it looks it will be a valuable acquisition.

*Mississippi* exhibited grown.

*Utah* had about 40 varieties; some plates were both in a very beautiful *Iowa* had 125 varieties *Delaware* was first and handsome; also at *Bartlett*, *Duchess*, *Be* *Indiana* had ratl peaches.

*Wisconsin*—about *Michigan* showed cherries and figs, also 9 and two large plates of plums, and about 2 *Illinois* was very pears and one variety *Vermont* made a and 20 of crabs.

*New Hampshire* & *Connecticut* had o Among the priva *Rochester*, demands fi collection of the rarer great beauty. Almost state of preservation. award made to it of appearance went, imp magnificent-looking pe *Vicar*; *Black Worcester* *tenant Poiderin*, a lat like the *Sheldon*; *Th* some Winter variety, *Madame Andre Lero* *Beurre Clairgeau*; *Sc* Fall fruit; *Lodge*, a pear.

Mr. Moody, of *I* varieties. Among the fine *Sheldon*, *Flemish* Messrs Hoag & C of them very fine.

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