

of modern peach-growers—the "yellows"—attacked his orchard, and finally destroyed it. Mr. Pettit at once showed the netal he was made of by taking the most active steps to secure the passage of a "Yellows Act" in the Local House. The best tribute to his zeal and sagacity in this matter is the fact that to-day peach-growers can save their orchards from destruction by "yellows" only by a rigorous enforcement of the provisions of an act which is simply a modification of the Yellows Act of 1881, which Mr. Pettit caused to be introduced. On the destruction of his peach orchard, as above mentioned, Mr. Pettit turned his attention to grapes, and with so much success, indeed, that from that time on his fruit area has steadily increased

cation (being both a B.A. and an M.A. of the University of Toronto), he never severed his connection with fruit-growing, but immediately on graduation, having received as his share a fourth of the homestead of 400 acres, settled upon it as a farmer, and, gradually giving up grain-growing and stock-raising, devoted his whole one hundred acres to fruit.—Mr. Woolverton has always had great fondness for the study of varieties, and as every year he has been adding to his collection of varieties of apples, pears, plums, cherries, grapes, peaches, currants, gooseberries, etc., etc., he has now the largest collection of fruits to be found upon any one private fruit-farm in Canada.—



Murray Pettit, Winona,
Retiring President, Ontario Fruit-Growers' Association.

until, at the present time, it comprises about sixty acres, chiefly in grapes, though there are, of course, many other choice fruits. The many public offices which Mr. Pettit has held show that every association organized for the purpose of advancing horticultural or agricultural knowledge has had his active support and sympathy. In 1894, after a long term of service on the directorate of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association, he was elected president of that body, and for two years discharged the duties of the office with conspicuous ability, and to the marked satisfaction of the members of the association. In 1894, too, Mr. Pettit was selected to take charge of one of the Ontario Fruit Experiment Stations; his station, which represents the Wentworth district, being largely devoted to the testing of grapes.

Mr. LINUS WOOLVERTON, M.A., the secretary of the Ontario Fruit-Growers' Association, was for a long time one of our most popular institute workers, his specialty, of course, being fruit culture. Mr. Woolverton was born and brought up on one of the oldest fruit farms in Ontario. (The first apple trees on his father's farm were planted as long ago as 1790, and some of these century-old apple trees are still bearing good crops.) He was early trained in practical orcharding and nursery work, and, although favored with a good high school and college edu-



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In 1877 Mr. Woolverton succeeded Mr. D. W. Beadle as secretary of the Ontario Fruit-growers' Association, and editor of *The Canadian Horticulturist*, and in 1894 he was appointed by the Department of Agriculture as secretary of the Ontario Fruit Experimental Stations. The successful working of the large and complicated system of experiments which this system involves depends largely upon Mr. Woolverton's directions.—Previous to this last appointment Mr. Woolverton was much engaged every year in addressing Farmers' Institutes, his subjects embracing every sort of topic connected with farm fruit-growing, but his fast increasing duties connected with the Fruit-growers' Association and the Fruit Experiment Stations, have, since his appointment, prevented him from taking an active part in institute work.

Mr. M. D. KITCHEN, Rosseau, Ont., having changed his place of residence, and, in consequence, missed some copies of *FARMING*, writes: "I would like to have you send me the four back numbers, and I will pay you whatever you may charge for same. As I am very much pleased with the numbers received, I would like to have the others."