

Items of Interest

At the Winnipeg Indus. Exhbtn., the B.C. fruit exhibit attracted a great deal of attention. It was a credit to the province.

Mr. M. R. Baker, B.S.A., Guelph, has been appointed to a position at Ottawa, as assistant to Mr. Alex. McNeill, Chief, Fruit Division.

Apple packers are warned against misunderstanding the Fruit Marks Act. If you are in doubt, write to the Fruit Division, Ottawa, or to THE HORTICULTURIST for information.

The 10th annual exhibition of the Kincardine Horticultural Society was held on Aug. 30. The display of cut bloom, flowering and foliage plants was up to the average and did credit to the flower lovers of Kincardine.

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On Aug. 15, the Hamilton branch of the Ont. Veg. Grs. Assn. held its annual picnic at the Hotel Brant, Burlington. Several thousand people attended. Hon. Mr. Monteith, Minister of Agriculture, was present and spoke.

Mr. Bois, the B.C. fruit expert, that gave demonstrations in fruit packing last year for the Dom. Fruit Division, is now engaged to superintend apple packing operations for Mr. R. J. Graham, of Belleville.

The Evaporator Manufacturers' Association of Ontario held a meeting in Toronto recently and elected officers for the ensuing year, as follows: Pres., Geo. Mahler, Bothwell; vice-pres., R. J. Graham, Belleville; sec.-treas., O. E. Robinson, and 6 directors. The inspector is J. R. Finkle, Bowmanville.

Early in Aug. a conference was held in Toronto between a delegation representing the fruit growers and the traffic officials of the C.P. and G.T. Rys. Arrangements were discussed that will lead to a better handling of fruit in shipment to the west and to the seaboard.

At Scotland, Ont., a branch of the Ont. Veg. Grs. Assn. was formed in Aug. The officers are: McKenzie Malcolm, pres.; Fred. Smith, vice-pres.; E. G. Malcolm, sec.; and Samuel Hunter, director. At the initial meeting, 16 growers became members and it is expected that others will join soon.

Mr. J. P. Taylor, of Cape Town, South Africa, is in Canada buying apples for shipment to South Africa. He visited THE HORTICULTURIST and said that he wants good fruit and will pay good prices for it. Only the best stock is admitted to South Africa, as the law requires that all apples affected with disease or worms shall be destroyed at the port of lading, without recompense to the shippers.

In the vicinity of Colborne, Ont., which is one of the leading apple sections of the province, most of the largest orchards have been sold as they stand. The buyers will do the picking and packing, and the growers the hauling. Among the orchards sold are those of Jas. Thomas, for \$1,125; John Coulter's, \$1,000; Wilbert Eddy's, \$1,000; John Usher's, of Wicklow, \$750; Wilber Winter's, of Wicklow, \$850; Chas. Doolittle's, of Wicklow, \$450, and Dr. Robertson's, of Colborne, \$450. All these orchards are within a radius of four miles.

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A series of demonstrations in box-packing is being given in Ont. by Mr. Stewart, an expert from Oregon, brought by the Fruit Division specially for the purpose. The schedule so far for this month is as follows: Sept. 1, Oakville; 6, Walkerton; 7, Owen Sound; 8, Thornbury; 10, Orillia; 11, Brighton; 12, Newcastle; 13, Oshawa. Demonstrations, also, will be given at the Toronto Exhibition on Sept. 3-4 and at the Niag. Dist. Exhibition in St. Catharines, on Sept. 14-15. The method of packing practised by Mr. Stewart differs from the one in Ont. One side, instead of the top, is removed, so that the contents may be readily seen and inspected. As there is less pressure on the sides than the top, the former may be taken off and replaced with greater ease.

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In a letter to THE HORTICULTURIST, Mr. Francis Wayland Glen, of Brooklyn, N.Y., writes: "I have taken THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST for 20 years and only once in that time have I failed to receive my number regularly. I did not receive the one for July; kindly send me a copy. Fruits of all kinds are fine this year, and the price remains high for prime quality. The demand for the best is never fully supplied. We should have free trade in fruits between Canada and the United States. It will come soon. We are getting tired of monopoly. We are entering upon a radical revolution. We shall restore to power and influence the Declaration of Independence. I wish THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST great prosperity."

At a meeting of the shareholders of the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamsville Railway, recently, it was definitely decided that the route of the proposed extension of the line to St. Catharines would not be by way of Vineland.



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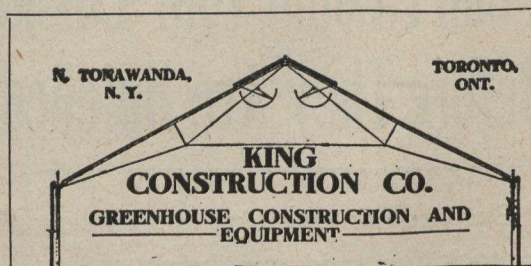
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