

King and Russet should be eliminated. In peaches, Wm. Armstrong, Queenston, advised St. Jean, New Prolific, Fitzgerald, Elberta. In pears, M. C. Smith, Burlington, recommended Bartlett, Kieffer, Duchess, Anjou, Box and Clapp. For plums, W. R. Dewar, Fruitland, mentioned Burbank, Bradshaw, Riene Claude, Lombard, Monarch and Shropshire Damson. In grapes, F. G. Stewart, Homer, recommended Concord, Worden, Niagara, Moore's Early, Vergennes, Agawam. For strawberries, Mr. W. T. Macoun, Dominion Horticulturist, Ottawa, recommended Bederwood, Splendid, Warfield, Senator Dunlap, Sample, Buster and Parson's Beauty.

In speaking on "Cultural Methods," Prof. J. P. Stewart averaged the results of one experiment as follows: Apple orchards in sod, 190.2 bushels an acre; mulched, 266.4 bushels; treated with phosphates and potash, 277.6 bushels; with cover crop, 312.9 bushels; nitrogen and potash, 542 bushels; barnyard manure, 637 bushels. In a second experiment barnyard manure was added in all cases. Where a cover crop was sown the yield was 109 bushels an acre; with clean tillage, 145.1 bushels; mulching, 126 bushels, and where the manure was applied directly on the sod, 137.1 bushels an acre. Commercial fertilizers were applied on another four plots. In this experiment the yield on sod was 115.9 bushels; with cover crops, 127.6 bushels; mulching, 129.3 bushels; and with clean tillage, 133.4 bushels.

PEACH DISEASES

On the final morning of the convention, Prof. L. Caesar reported on his investigation on Little Peach and Peach Yellows. This address will be dealt with more fully in a future issue.

The list of resolutions approved was an unusually small one: The committee on resolutions expressed approval of the action of the Provincial Minister of Agriculture in appointing an Ontario Fruit Commissioner in the west; expressed appreciation of the work of Prof. Caesar; the Dominion Minister of Agriculture was thanked for increasing the number of fruit inspectors; the Provincial Department of Agriculture was asked to take over the appointment and payment of inspectors of insect and fungus pests, this being now in the hands of local municipalities; appreciation was expressed of the work of Transport Officer McIntosh, and it was suggested that his work be made to cover the promotion of cooperation as well. A cordial vote of thanks to Prof. Stewart was added.

DIRECTORS

The following were elected directors: R. B. Whyte, Ottawa; C. W. Beaven, Prescott; W. H. Dempsey, Trenton; Wm. Stainton, Oshawa; W. J. Bragg, Bowmanville; H. T. Foster, Burlington; J. W. Smith, Winona; R. Thompson, St. Catharines; Jos. Gilbertson, Simcoe; D. Johnson, Forest; R. R. Sloan, Porter's Hill; F. M. Lewis, Burford; W. J. Saunders, East Linton.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association will be held at Victoria, January 6th, 7th, and 8th. The association will have a year of good progress to report. The membership will reach nearly eight hundred, and there are sixteen affiliated associations, these being all the fruit growers' associations of the province.

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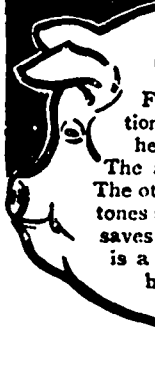
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