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ONTARIO COUNTY

Henry Clendenning, writing from Manilla, in Ontario County, says: "The prospects of the apple crop are fair, though the wet weather has prevented rapid growth. In consequence of the wet weather the fruit is smaller than usual at this date. The fruit is holding on fairly well, but there is a good deal of black spot or scab owing to the fact that very little spraying has, on account of the wet weather, been done this year. There has not been much damage from insect pests except the leaf roller. This has attacked a number of orchards. The yield of ap-

ples will probably be about one-half to two-thirds that of the crop of 1900."

THE GEORGIAN BAY EXPERIMENT STATION

J. G. Mitchell, of the Fruit Station at Clarksburg, in the Georgian Bay district, says: "Since last report the fruit situation has been somewhat changed. Apples are still growing well, and promise an abundant yield. So far the fruit is holding on well, the dropping being no more than necessary. We have been particularly free from insect enemies, but apple scab is now showing signs of development, and may cause considerable damage should wet weather continue very much longer. All things considered, there is prospect of more than average crop."

AN OFF YEAR IN PLUMS

THOUGH SOME LOCALITIES PROMISE A GOOD YIELD—
OTHER FRUITS IN GENERAL TURNING OUT WELL

"Plums about Brighton," writes D. J. Nesbitt, "will be about one-third of a crop, and pears about half a crop."

T. H. Race, Mitchell: "The small fruit crop has been and is abundant. Strawberries have been very plentiful, but as few of them have been put down, the demand for other fruits for canning purposes will not be affected. Currants, gooseberries and raspberries are an abundant crop, and are likely to supply a large place in household consumption. Cherries are not a good crop, and the early ones now coming into the market are readily bought up. Plums are not going to be a heavy crop, though some varieties are bearing well. It seems to be an off year with the old standard, Lombard, as it did not blossom this season except with an occasional tree. I might observe here that I am dis-

carding the Lombard from my collection, owing to the liability of the tree to black knot, and the fruit to rot, and am planting in its stead the Abundance and Burbank. These latter are bearing heavily this season. Pears were promising well for a time, but within the last few days a blight has struck some of the trees, and the black spot is beginning to show badly on the Flemish Beauty. Clapp's Favorite is promising well, but with all the later varieties the crop will be only a bare average."

C. L. Stephens, Orillia: "There will be about 20 per cent. of a plum crop, as compared with last season, the curculio has been pretty bad, but we are very free from aphids. Pears, not grown much, but I hear of several good bearings of Flemish Beauty, which so far are in good condition. Most grapes are only just now in