grain growers of Ontario with this object in view. The exhibits of grain will shortly be sent from Ottawa, along with the fruit and other agricultural exhibits, and any farmers having grain suitable to exhibit are asked to communicate at once with the agricultural departments at Ottawa or Toronto.

Prizes for Dairy Essays.

A meeting of the executive of the Cheese and Butter Association of western Ontario was held at Stratford on Nov. 15th. There were present Harold Eagle, president ; Aaron Menger, Ayton; J. A. James, Nilestown, and R. M. Ballantyne, Stratford. Further details were completed in connection with the next annual convention to be held at Stratford on January 16th, 17th and 18th next. Among the speakers from the United States will be Prof. E. H. Farrington, of Wisconsin, a leading investigator on all matters pertaining to practical dairying. The committee decided to offer \$50 as prizes for essays on butter-making and \$50 for prizes for essays on cheese making, to be divided in both cases into prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10 each. Competition will be open to cheese and butter-makers who have worked during the year 1899 as makers or assistants in factories or creameries situated in western Ontario, professors and instructors being debarred. The awards will be made at the convention and the first-prize essays are to be there read and discussed. The granting of \$100 towards the cheese and butter exhibition at Ingersoll was deferred for further consideration.

Butter Instructor at Guelph.

Last week we announced the appointment of Mr. Archibald Smith as superintendent of the Strathroy Dairy School. His resignation from the staff of the Guelph Dairy School made it necessary to appoint a new butter instructor. The position has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Jas. Stonehouse, Port Perry. Mr. Stonehouse was formerly instructor in the Home Dairy Department, which position he resigned to accept the management of the St. Mary's Creamery. He also had charge of the arrangements for the butter-making competitions at the In-dustrial Fair, Toronto, last September, the success of which was in no small measure due to Mr. Stonehouse's care and foresight. He is favorably known throughout Ontario as a first class buttermaker and creamery manager. The Guelph School is to be congratulated upon securing the services of so able a man for the position of instructor in buttermaking at the coming session.

San Jose Scale Again.

At a recent meeting of prominent fruit-growers of the Niagara district held recently in Grimsby the cessation of the enforcement of the San Jose



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