

Pan American Notice.

SIR,—Will you permit me through the columns of your valuable journal to draw the attention of all fruit growers in the Province of Ontario to the fact that the fair name which our province enjoys, as a country producing in abundance fruit of fine appearance and magnificent quality, will be put to a severe test during the coming season at the Pan-American Exposition. Surrounded as we will be, not only by the fruit products from the various states of the union, but also by those from more distant and tropical countries, all of which will be fully represented in the Horticulture Building, it is very desirable that we spare no effort to maintain the reputation which Ontario has gained already at the Expositions of Chicago, Paris and elsewhere, and to secure, if possible, fresh laurels.

With this end in view, I am extremely anxious

to enlist the co-operation and hearty assistance of all fruit growers in the different sections of the Province, and I know of no better way to reach them than through the columns of the Horticulturist!

I have been much gratified with the many expressions I have received of intentions to forward fruit in season from different points, and I trust that every section of the Province will, either through prominent individuals or through its Horticultural Society, be able to furnish a supply of choice fruit from time to time.

I hope to be able in the next number to furnish your readers with a full statement of the arrangements as to awards etc., under which fruit will be exhibited during the season.

Yours respectfully,

St. Catharines, April 22. W. M. H. BUNTING.

Our Affiliated Societies.

CAYUGA.—We had our open meeting last night in the Court House. An orchestra of seven pieces played for us. The Court Room was banked with flowers at the end, and a large audience filled every seat. Mr. Bacon's lecture was much appreciated. He knows his work thoroughly and is a clear, explicit and intelligent speaker. He also was much pleased with his reception and our new work as a new society. A. K. GOODMAN, Secretary Cayuga Horticultural Society.

THORNBURY.—On the evening of the 18th inst. the Thornbury Town Hall was crowded to the doors by an enthusiastic audience to listen to the lecture and musical entertainment held under the auspices of the Horticultural Society. After a chorus by the Glee Club, of about forty voices, Mayor Pedwell, who occupied the chair, called upon Miss Blanche Maddock, of Guelph, for her lecture on "Window Gardening," which proved most interesting and instructive, and gave new light on many points regarding the culture of flowers, and was just such a talk as the ladies of this section have been wishing for for some time.

After well rendered solos by Mr. McInnes and Mr. Pedler, Mr. Hutt, of Niagara Falls, delivered his lecture on "Beautifying the Home," prefacing his lecture proper with a short, but very interesting talk on "Nature Study." Mr. Hutt gave many practical suggestions on landscape gardening, making and care of lawns, ornamental shrubbery, etc. Also during the afternoon Mr. Hutt visited the schools of Thornbury and Clarksburg and addressed the children.

The evening meeting closed with more music and the national anthem.

The Thornbury society is flourishing; has a membership of sixty-five, and don't have to canvas for members.

J. G. MITCHELL, President.

April 22nd, 1901.

KINCARDINE.—Pursuant to notice given the Kincardine Horticultural Society were favored on Friday evening, the 19th inst., with two most inter-

esting addresses delivered in the Town Hall here, one by Mr. A. McNeill, of Walkerville, on 1st—House plants; 2nd—Plants, trees and shrubs for the ordinary town lot. The other address being by Miss Laura Rose, of Guelph, on 1st—Why I have a garden, 2nd—On economic gardening. The audience was a fairly good one considering that the weather was cold and a protracted or revival service was being held at the Canada Methodist church, close by our lecture hall; notwithstanding these our gathering was a decided improvement on what we have been accustomed to in the past shewing an increased or growing interest in horticulture, etc, about 250 being present. Mr. McNeill was listened to with very marked attention and the several demonstrations of applause evinced during his address and when he concluded, showed plainly that all were highly pleased. Miss Rose fairly delighted everyone and it is quite safe to predict a full town hall to hear her on her next visit to Kincardine to instruct us in the happy art of cottage gardening. I must not forget to report that Kincardine's worthy mayor, G. M. Mackendrick, Esq., kindly gave the free use of the town hall in the afternoon when Miss Rose gave an interesting address to a large number of the school children, a treat they will not soon forget.

T. BARKER, Secretary.

SEAFORTH.—The enclosed clipping from the Huron Expositor of this town contains a very good account of our public meeting on Wednesday evening, and expresses, I think, the opinion of all who were present:

The meeting in the town hall on Wednesday evening under the auspices of the Seaforth Horticultural Society, was a very successful and interesting affair. The attendance was large, the hall being well filled. The chair was occupied by Mr. Wm. Ballantyne, president of the society. Excellent and instructive addresses were delivered by Miss Rose, of Guelph, and by Mr. McNeill, of Windsor. They are both good speakers, and they have the faculty of making their addresses interesting as well as instructive. Musical selections