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LOCATING FRUIT EXPERIMENT STATIONS.



FIRST trip made this season for the location of these stations was in the counties of Huron and Bruce. The writer, accompanied by Prof. Hutt, of the Ontario Agricultural College, set out on Monday, August 26th, taking with us bicycles for easy access to various points.

At the Agricultural College, Guelph, we found the greenhouse, the trees and shrubs of the lawn and the experimental strawberry plots objects of special interest. Prof. Hutt is certainly much to be commended for the systematic manner of his operations.

He cultivates flowers not for their ostentatious display, but with the object of completing a collection of each kind, so that his students may gradually become acquainted with their distinguishing features. The plants in the greenhouse are plainly labelled, so that both student and visitor may constantly associate the plant and name and thus learn much, quite unconscious of effort. In place of the wooden labels so much in use among florists, and on which the writing is almost illegible, he uses labels of celluloid procured from the organ factory, cut about twice the size of the ordinary label, and this is supported by a label pin. On it is written in plain characters the name of the plant. The ink which Mr. Hutt uses is indelible and is made of varnish and drop-black, with a sufficient amount of turpentine to thin it for easy application.