

NOTES FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA.



THE Fruit Growers' Association and Horticultural Society of British Columbia held their annual meeting in the City Hall, New Westminster, January 24th, 25th and 26th, President Kirkland in the chair. Many members and others were present from all parts of the Province. Several papers were read and questions of interest discussed. In the election of officers for current year, John Kirkland, Ladner's, was re-elected President; A. H. B. MacGowan, Vancouver, Secretary.

A Fruit Growers' Convention will be held at Spokane, Washington, on February 14th, and the following States, as well as British Columbia, will be represented, Oregon, Washington and Idaho. It is proposed to meet railway officials and discuss rates, also it is expected that commission men will be there from New York, Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Omaha and Winnipeg. The following are some of the papers and subjects for discussion: "Picking, Packing and Grading of Fruits and Shipping to Through Markets," led by E. L. Goodsell, New York, and G. W. Barnett, Chicago. "Our Insect Enemies, and the necessity of more Radical Legislation to increase their Destruction." "Bees," "Hop Culture," etc. The following are the British Columbia contingence as appointed at annual meeting, President Kirkland, G. W. Henry, Heatzie; J. A. Sharpe, Agassiz; R. M. Palmer, Victoria; E. Hutcherson Ladner's.

So far everything is favorable for a good fruit season this year. Eight degrees of frost is the coldest we have had on the coast. Our fruit growers are busy pruning and spraying, and getting ready for the coming crop.

Ladner's, Feb. 3rd, 1894.

E. HUTCHERSON.

Limits of Quince Culture.—I think, in Ontario, that a line drawn from Sarnia to Toronto would form the northern boundary of quince culture in the province, and south of this line there no doubt would be included many points where the cultivation of the quince would be attended with much difficulty.

There is no portion of the Province of Quebec in which it can be grown without winter protection. The quince will be cultivated in King's Co., Nova Scotia, to a greater extent in future than in the past. It will also succeed over considerable areas of Western British Columbia.

Ottawa.

JOHN CRAIG.

Mrs. John Laing is a soft pink-colored rose with large and finely formed flowers, with high center. It is a continuous bloomer until frost, almost as free as Gen. Jacqueminot, and a good grower, with upright stems, besides, it is quite hardy. This is one of the best of modern roses.—Gardening.