

THE AMERICAN PAPERS compliment Canada quite freely on her exhibits. For instance, the Country Gentleman, of Albany, dated 29th June, says of our Horticultural Exhibit: "As the visitor enters the north-west curtain of the Horticultural Building, the first exhibit that will meet his eye is that of Canada. This country has done nobly, and is represented by the Provinces of Quebec, Prince Edward Island, British Columbia, Nova Scotia, Manitoba and Ontario. A larger and finer collection of fruits at this season of the year would be hard to find. The list embraces varieties of apples that approach a hundred, many of which grow, and to perfection, only in Canada. A few plates of fresh grapes and pears are also shown. Quantities of fruits preserved in liquids are also displayed, of which mammoth gooseberries are one of the chief attractions. This country will, no doubt, contribute large quantities of all kinds of fruits as the season advances. Canada probably shows the greatest variety of vegetables now—carrots, beets and potatoes, immense turnips and rutabagas, for which this country is famous, adorn the tables.

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RULES FOR JUDGES IN HORTICULTURE.—The following are the modified rules of the American Pomological Society, adopted for the guidance of judges in awarding prizes on fruits at the World's Columbian Exposition.

RULE 1.—In estimating the values of collections of fruits, judges are instructed to base such estimates strictly upon the varieties in such collections which shall have been correctly named by the exhibitor, prior to action thereon by the committee on nomenclature.

RULE 2.—In estimating such values, judges are instructed to consider: 1st, the values of the varieties for the purposes to which they may be adapted; 2nd, the color, size and evenness of specimens; 3rd, their freedom from the marks of insects and other blemishes; 4th, the apparent carefulness in handling, and the taste displayed in the arrangement of the exhibit.

RULE 3.—No comparison shall be made between any two exhibits, but each must contend against a standard of supreme excellence.

RULE 4.—Judges are instructed to apply the principles enunciated in above rules to entries of single varieties.

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THE EXTENSION OF CANADA'S TRADE with other nations is one of the objects in view in placing our exhibits before the world at the Columbian Exposition. This object will no doubt be gained in many lines, for there is a universal testimony to the excellence of Canada's goods. In agriculture she stands first in the Agricultural Building, and in fruit she occupies a similar position in the Horticultural Building.

On the 20th of July, we had a call from Mr. R. Napier, a Canadian who has lived some twelve years in Chicago, and he stated that the demand here for Canadian apples was much greater than any one imagined. Many thousands of