

I hope to be able to send you other names of those who have gone into this business in a considerable way.

The fringe of country along the Detroit River, North Essex, bids fair to be a wine country. South Essex, on Lake Erie shore and on Pelee Island have produced quantities of grapes, some wine on the shore and large quantities on the Island.

The wine trade in this Northern part of the country, principally by old France French people, has a ready market in the Province of Quebec. The product and its use is growing. There is plenty of demand for a pure article.

If your September meeting is not too far away, I hope to show Barry, Worden, Wilder, Concord, Lindley and Iona. And next year an additional lot.

Not that we expect to rival the experienced growers of the Niagara District. But the Detroit District has capabilities and we want to show them.

While I write, I think it proper to mention—that no mention has yet been made in your Monthly Journal (so far as I have been able to find)—of the death of Mr. James Dougall of Windsor, who died on April 5 last, aged 78 years. Mr Dougall did much for the advancement of horticulture, when there were very few promoters of the science. He was well known to nurserymen throughout the country.

In some of your older reports, I notice honorable mention made of his work in that connection. I remain, Dear Sir yours truly,

W. H. ASKIN.

WALKERVILLE, July 12th, 1888.

NOTE.—It would add very much to the interest of our meetings if a larger exhibit of fruits, flowers, ingenious devices for the benefit of fruit growers, samples of canned and evaporated fruits, etc., were made. True there are no prizes offered for competition, but what is done is surely of far more importance, viz.: the report of our committee upon each exhibit with their criticisms for the benefit of the public.

From Chatham.

DEAR SIR,—There will be a very poor crop of winter apples here this year; a good many early apples; grapes, good; raspberries, pretty good; strawberries (all done) were light, and completely demoralized as to season of ripening; currants, worse than the average. Farm crops very good. We had nice rains at intervals. Our land stands a drought well. The pastures have kept extra good.

Yours very truly,

F. W. WILSON.

CHATHAM, ONT., July 12th, 1888.

REVIEW.

NEW YORK EXPERIMENT STATION. Sixth Annual Report.

The reports of the botanist in this station have been of special interest to us, because of the useful experiments tried with fungicides. The experiment tried with hyposulphite of soda for the apple scab has been noticed in these columns; now we observe that sulphide of potassium has been successfully used in several experiments for destroying fungi. A solution of the strength of one-half ounce of the sulphide of potassium to a gallon of water was sprayed upon the Industry gooseberry, which variety mildews badly at Geneva. The operation was repeated several times in June especially after heavy rains. The result was the destruction of the fungus which had not passed beyond its early white stage. The same remedy is found beneficial in clearing strawberry leaves of the spotting due to the fungus, *Ramularia Tulasnei*, sometimes called "Sun burn"; and it is believed to be also a remedy for the pear and apple scab.

Fortunately for us in Canada, the dryness of the early part of both this and last season has been very effectual in clearing our apples of this latter fungus, by preventing the germination of the spores.

HOW TO GROW TOMATOES.—No. 2 of the Fruit Growers' Library, published by the *Horticultural Times*, 127 Strand, W. C., London, England.

BULLETIN No. 5.—Report on the experiments made in 1887 in the treatment of the Downy Mildew and the Black-Rot of the grape vine, with a chapter on the apparatus for applying these remedies. Prepared by F. Lamson Scribner, Dept. of Agriculture, Washington, U. S.

CALENDAR of Queens College and University, Kingston, Canada, for the year 1888-89.

BULLETIN No. 1.—Hatch Experiment Station of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, July, 1888. H. H. Goodell, director.

THE management of the Buffalo International Fair, which will be open September 4, have been particularly fortunate in procuring the able services of Mr. Vick, of Rochester, to take complete charge of the Horticultural Department. The name of Vick, of Rochester, suggests in itself at all times a vision of blooming plants and fragrant flowers.