

Fruits is now well established, whether the test be for beauty, flavour, or long keeping qualities. In the British markets our apples are looked upon very favourably, and command a good price, and if suitable varieties be shipped, the returns are generally profitable. There is no reason in the world why pears should not also find their way to trans-atlantic ports.

In January of last year, while in London, I exhibited a small collection of Canadian apples at a meeting of the Royal Horticultural Society. Before my departure for England, I had been promised by several extensive orchardists in this neighbourhood a large number of specimens, but they all failed to fulfil their promise. Determined, however, not to be completely foiled, I went down into my own cellars, and selected about twenty four varieties, and these I packed in a trunk and took them with me; this was at the beginning of December, and about the end of January they were placed on the tables at South Kensington. They were reported on very favourably by the Fruit Committee of the Society, and a special certificate was awarded me for the display. Had I been better prepared I could have quadrupled the number of sorts, but as it was the effort was very successful. The fruit was all grown on one farm. If the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association will make an effort next autumn, and get up a complete collection of the fruits then in season, I will guarantee to have them well displayed in London. Such a show would be a better advertisement for Canada than miles of figures and acres of statistics.