

Marking. The marking of barrels and boxes should be distinct and attractive. It should comply with the regulations of the Inspection and Sales Act, which call for the initials of the Christian names of the packer, his surname, and his address; the name of the variety of fruit, and the designation of the grade, whether it be "Fancy," "No. 1," "No. 2," or "No. 3." Such mark may be accompanied by any other designation of grade or brand if that designation or brand is not inconsistent with, or marked more conspicuously than, the one of the said four marks which is used on the said package."

Material for Barrels. The standard barrel must be large enough to contain at least 96 quarts of fruit. Smaller barrels should not be exhibited. The barrel in general use in Ontario has staves 30 inches in length. In Nova Scotia the staves are 28 inches long. The dimensions called for in a standard barrel of minimum size are: Between heads, $26\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, inside measurement; head diameter, 17 inches, inside measurement; middle diameter, $18\frac{1}{2}$ inches, inside measurement. The barrel generally used in Ontario is $27\frac{1}{2}$ inches between the heads, 17 inches in diameter at the head, and with a middle diameter at the bilge of $19\frac{1}{2}$ inches. A good barrel should have sixteen staves with $9/16$ jointing, cut five to two inches and averaging four inches in width at the bilge, and be free from large knots or shakes. The head should not be less than one-half an inch in thickness, dressed clean and sound. The hoops should be about $13\frac{1}{2}$ inches in width and eight in number. The barrel should be new and clean.