

The entries in the apple classes were not up to much. The date was too early for securing well-matured specimens and this year the immaturity of fruit was particularly marked. As the specimens were not normal in condition or appearance, the judge had some difficulty in placing the awards and a few errors occurred. Alexander was entered for Wolf River and, as should be expected, was disqualified by the judge. In the section for Swayzie Pomme Grise, Montreal Bonne Grise were entered and given 1st and 2nd prizes; 3rd prize was given to a true Swayzie. Road Island Greening got 1st prize for North-West Greening. The 1st prize Roxbury Russets were not truly named and the 1st prize Colvert were not typical by any means. 2nd prize Ribston were wormy.

THE GOVERNMENT EXHIBIT

An educational exhibit comprising fruits from the various experiment stations in Ontario was a creditable one. It was in the charge of Messrs. P. W. Hodgetts and T. B. Revett, of the Department of Agriculture. The recommended commercial and hardy varieties of the various fruits were exhibited, and the best varieties for home use. Some time ago the department

published a bulletin on "Varieties Recommended for Planting in Ontario." The object of the exhibit was to bring together for the benefit of visiting fruit growers, specimens of the varieties so recommended. Two new varieties of apples, Lowland Raspberry and the Lubsk Queen, from the C. E. F., Ottawa, attracted much attention. The O. A. C., Guelph, contributed 50 varieties of tomatoes.

THE VEGETABLES

Except in the case of onions and cabbage, the vegetable exhibits were not as heavy nor as good as in past years. This, also, was due to the unfavorable season. The collections were very good. The 1st prize was won by Mr. J. B. Guthry, Dixie, Ont., and the 2nd by Brown Bros., Humber Bay. There was an excellent show of cabbage, the best for years. Cauliflowers were not plentiful and only fair in quality. Squash was poor; citron, small; carrots, only fair; beets, poor; parsnips, fair; turnips, rough; kale, fair; leeks, good but not enough shown; celery, fair to good; winter radishes, good; peppers, medium; sweet corn, poor; tomatoes, smooth but small; potatoes, good; onions, exceptionally good and clean.

number of vases. The gladioli were particularly good. The school children's exhibit of asters was good, but perhaps not so fine as last year, owing to the dry season and to the depredations of variegated cut-worms; they were decidedly creditable, however, and showed the result of much care and interest on the part of the children. The regular classes for cut bloom grown by amateurs were well filled with specimens of excellent quality. The bloom could scarcely be beaten anywhere.

One side of the immense building in which the exhibition was held was one mass of foliage. The showing of decorative plants was an education in itself. The space occupied by these plants was 165 by 8 feet. The specimens in the various banks from the greenhouses and from

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The Niagara District Exhibition

ONE of the best exhibitions of its kind that ever has been held in Canada, was held in St. Catharines, Ont., on Sept. 18 and 19. It was the Niagara District Horticultural Exhibition. In number of entries, in quality of exhibits and in the matter of arrangements, it surpassed the horticultural show at the Canadian National Exhibition. Of course the exhibition in St. Catharines had the advantage of being held two weeks later than the one in Toronto, and as a result, better fruit was to be had. The arrangements and display of the exhibits showed, however, that those in charge had a keen conception of the artistic, which was

sadly lacking at the Canadian National. The difference is shown in the illustrations that appear in this issue. The St. Catharines Horticultural Society has reason to be proud of the character of the exhibition. The citizens of the city of St. Catharines and the fruit growers throughout the Niagara District should have given it greater support in the matter of attendance.

The flower and plant show was exceptionally good. The cut bloom was excellent. There was a fine collection of dahlias. Possibly they would have shown to better advantage had the same number of bloom been placed in a larger



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