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### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* HORTICULTURE

#### The Fruit Crop Report

"There has not been for many ears such an unsatisfactory state of years such an unsatisfactory state of affairs in Canada so far as the apple crop is concerned," says Mr. A. McNeil, Chief of Fruit Division, Ottawa, in his most recent summary crop conditions in Canada. British Columbia to the Atlantic coast reports, except in a few favored coast reports, except in a few favored localities, state that the crop is below average and in many sections, particularly from Ontario east, total failures have been recorded. Several causes have brought about this result, the primary one being the extremely dry weather which prevailed during the early part of the season and which caused a very heavy drop of fruit in

caused a very heavy drop of fruit in many localities.—from infestation of tent caterpillars in June and July also assisted in lowering the yield, but this is something that the growers could have controlled. In earlier re-ports attention has been called so often to the importance of spraying that it is not necessary to dwell further upon it now. It is sufficient to state that the caterpillar situation might have been obviated by a concerted effort on the part of the grow-ers. In many sections, too, severe ers. In many sections, too, severe hail and wind storms further reduced the crop.

#### NO CHANGE IN MONTH

"There has not been any material change in the situation since last month. Some localities, however, have been favored with showers, which have helped the development of which have helped the development of the later varieties, and if no unfavor-able conditions set in during the next few weeks, it is reasonable to hope that most winter fruits will be of fair quality. Unfortunately there is an almost universal complaint that apples and pears are generally smaller in size than in the ordinary veer.

"The average for the whole Dominion is estimated at 48 per cent. of a full crop of fall and winter

apples."

The pear crop in Ontario varies from fair to excellent, although the fruit may be smaller than in an average year. In Nova Scotia pears are decidedly short, as they also are in British Columbia. The plum crop has been the largest harvested in Ontario in many years. Nova Scotia on the contrary has a light crop. The British Columbia crop is heavy.

There is a heavy crop of peaches in the Niagara district, and of good in the Niagara district, and of good quality. It is quite possible that there will be a late glut, with low prices to the grower. In Essex, Kent, and Lambton there has been a fair yield. In British Columbia there has been considerable loss from dry weather

#### PEACHES FOR THE WEST

prominent shipper of Niagara ct." writes Mr. McNeil, "has district, marked car lots of peaches in the North-West. Those responsible for the packing are to be complimented on the care and neatness exercised. The report received from Winnipeg, and dated September 10, states that, while some of the fruit arrived in good condition, and would hold up for a few days, yet at least an equal at once or was over-ripe and showing 25-50 per cent, waste. The fruit was of excellent color and size and had it or excellent color and size and had it been packed, at the same stage of maturity, there is no doubt that it would all have reached Winnipeg in prime condition. The packages and packing were excellent, and it is unfortunate that this enterprising ship-per did not meet with even greater success."

#### Fruit Markets Abroad

From Glargow comes a report that there is a shortage of pears in the British Isles. This means a demand in the Old Country which in an aver-age year could be supplied by Canadian fruit. Rapid strides have bee made in the export rink trade in recent years, not only with Great Bitain, but with Germany, South Africa and Australia as well, and Canadians should be quick to grasp every opportunity of widening these markets and supplying them with reputable and are rapidly coming into bearing in all the fruit-producing sections of Canada, and it is reasonable pose that this production will pace the concurrent increase in sumption. The importance veloping an overseas market fore becomes evident, and our am-bitious growers are to be congratulated on the foresight and perspica-city which they have already shown in this connection.

The Old Country market has, of course, been receiving Canadian fruit for many years, but the reports which have been received upon these ship have been received upon these ship-ments have not always been of the most favorable nature. Since the formation of a central selling associ-tion in Nova Scotia some improv-ments have been made, and though last year was not a good one, in the province, yet the number of unfavoable reports was not great, and the general impression made upon the consignees in Europe was good. This year, the crop in Nova Scotia is again poor, but so long as the growers are content so pack their blemished apples as No. 3's and do not attempt to include them among the higher grades, they may still retain the public favor.

THE AUSTRALIAN MARKET

The Australian market, for very obvious reasons, has been chieft supplied by Pacific Coast fruit, and this year with a central association established in British Columbia it is reported that some 30,000 boxes of choice fruit will be exported to the Antipodes from that province.

With these two models of coopera-

suppose that success will meet the union of the Ontario associations is to a central agency and Canadians will await with interest the result which follow the handling of the year's crop which will reach the 0% Country in large quantities, and which is struggling to hold its om

We hear very little of the South Africa market, and yet it is one in which Canadian fruit is already belt in some repute. which Canadian fruit is already sig-in some repute. It is not a maist which has in any season received it quantity of fruit which would set adequate, for it is closer to Halia than British Columbia is to Martialia. The box package is preferre by the South African dealers, and in that reason they have looked to botish Columbia for their fruit. I glance at the map of the world, her ever, will show that Nova Scotia the natural source from which is supply should come, and even is year in spite of the poor crop, so fruit is being exported to this mai from that Province.—Report No.

Enrich the garden plot with is poultry droppings.

We had a fine crop last year, some 1,600 barels 1,300 which grew on 14 acres of land a on trees 21 years of age. Much on trees 21 years of age. Such this fruit was of a fine quality a fairly well colored. We had so scale in one part of the orchard to incessant rains at the time spraying; otherwise the fruit in fine. It was shipped to the British market.—R. R. Sloan, Huron Que.

ONDITIONS op this yea but so far be about the weather o imp ase crop bein ver, was ver rotted badly and half of the crop wet cold, wet spring iod of drought ove quently be short, too carly to estimof the mid-se very unfavorable t of blight and conse crop is of good cally all marketabl are now 75 cts. a identically the same

last year at this ti In such a large p conditions may be greatly. The foreg an average of all r from Farm and Da correspondents local province. In Easte crop will be consic average, early frost able damage but on will be fair. Some ern Ontario, notably adjoining counties, from 75 per cent. to is true of the potato of Middlesex. Fro mistic reports, even farmers will have to their own use and fo as been very bad th

One of Farm and pondents, Mr. Georg ington county, make new disease, potato c that the area affecte extended. Another is raised by Mr. Chidlesex county, who r dier bug as playing h beetles, proving a mo edy than any spray a fie says, "the cheape Similar re work by natural enem. beetle come from oth province as well.
It would seem tha

potatoes at Ontario ce will be determined la abundance of the yiel time provinces. From hand Farm and Dairy that potato prices thi about the same as t respondents follow:

FAIR CROP IN CA

"Potatoes will be a f in the season they suff drought, but a heavy 12th saved the crop. B 12th saved the crop. B Co., Ont.

"Late potatoes caug frost will not be a quart planted ones half a planted three-quarters of blight or rot. for bugs.—J. A. Se: Haliburton Co., Ont.

'Many late tubers wer before ripe, but the yie cases will be fair with to size and quality. Very seen this season."—H. Hastings Co., Ont.

"Early potatoes are a light crop. The late cr hurt by the frost but to I cannot say yet. Our the same as in former yea noticed neither bugs no Judson Kelly, Hastings