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Dominion Fruit Conference Resolutions

THE results of the Dominion Fruit Conference held in Grimsby, Ont., which is in the heart of the Niagara fruit district, on September 2 to 4, are largely summed up in the resolutions that were passed. Leading fruit growers were present from all the leading fruit growing provinces of Canada. Ontario, Nova Scotia, and British Columbia were particularly well represented. Delegates were present also from all the other provinces, including the three prairie provinces. The meetings were presided over by the recently appointed Dominion Fruit Commissioner, Mr. D. Johnson. Early in the proceedings the conference passed a resolution congratulating Hon. Martin Burrell upon having raised the fruit division to the status of a separate department and upon having selected Mr. Johnson to direct the activities of that department.

Elsewhere in this issue appears a general report of the proceedings of the conference. Separate reports are published also of some of the most important discussions. All the matters dealt with were fully and carefully considered. The more important resolutions adopted were as follow:

PATRIOTIC RESOLUTION

"Resolved, That in this great struggle into which Great Britain has been forced, in order to preserve her national hon-

our, the ideals of freedom and democracy, and even her existence itself, that the fruit growers of Canada contribute liberally of their substance in order to support and strengthen the Empire."

FRUIT INSPECTION

"That fruit districts in the different provinces shall be divided into sections.

"That a sufficient number of inspectors shall be appointed so that each inspector shall have a certain section under his charge so that he may be enabled to make at least weekly visits, and when instruction is required to either impart such instruction himself or, when time does not permit, that he be authorized to employ for such purpose and such time as may be required, a competent assistant.

"That in all cases when the pack is not consistent with the Fruit Marks Act, the offender, after receiving not more than one warning, or when it may be deemed advisable by the inspector to allow the offender to grade his fruit down, that on every occasion when the warning is not heeded the full penalty of the law be inflicted, and for every additional offence the fines be inflicted in accordance with the law.

"That all packers and shippers of fruit be compelled to register with the chief inspector of the division in which they reside.

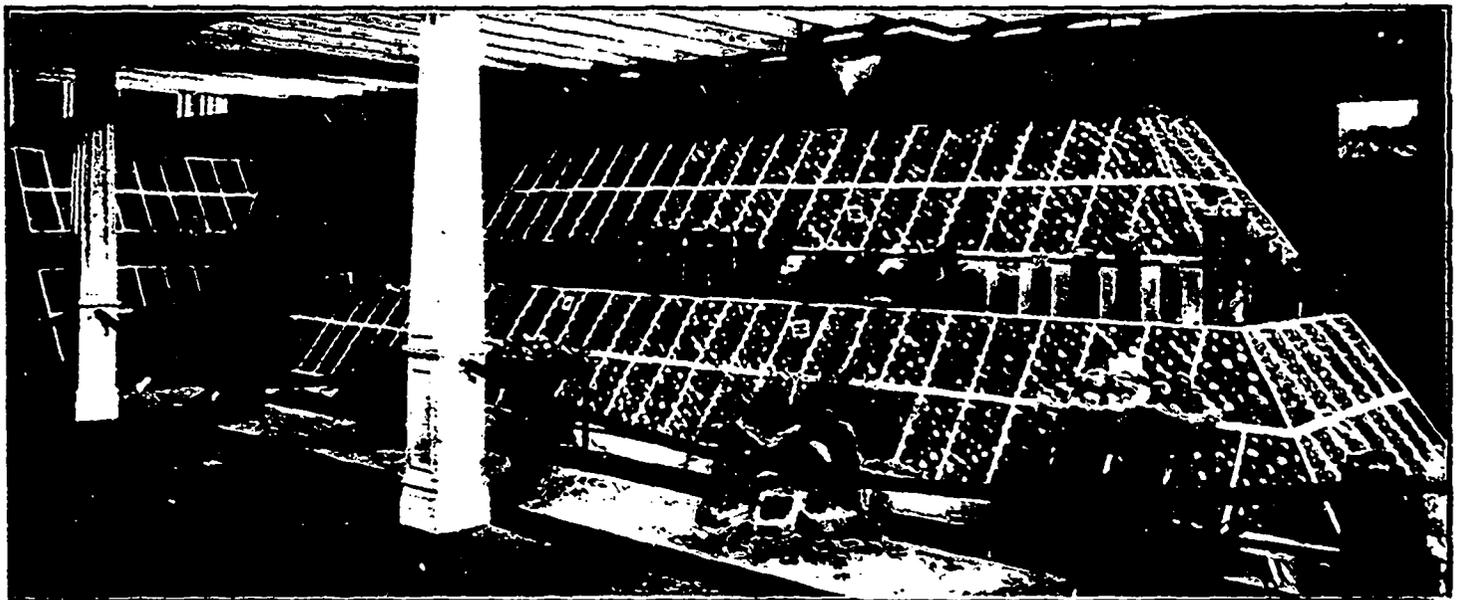
"Ever since the coming into force of

the Fruit Marks Act there has been a growing desire for some kind of report of the result of inspection which could be used as an assurance to the purchaser that the fruit in that shipment which had been inspected was up to the standard of the Fruit Marks Act. We recommend that as far as the plan can be worked out without injury to the work of inspection that such certificate of inspection be given to shippers requesting same; such certificate to be plainly stamped or printed in such a way as to indicate that it only applies to the packages inspected which may, if found desirable, be stamped 'inspected' on such parts of the packages as seem likely to best serve as an intimation that such packages have been inspected."

STANDARD PACKAGES

"Be it resolved, That a full, dry pint berry box be considered a legal measure provided that in shape and form it shall not be made to deceive the public or imitate the four-fifth quart."

"Resolved, That all forms used in the manufacture of eleven and six quart baskets shall be inspected by an officer of the Fruit Branch appointed for that purpose, and when conforming with the requirements of the Inspection and Sale Act shall be stamped with a Government stamp: And further, that the Inspection and Sales Act shall be amended to make it a legal offence to manufacture from



One of the Striking Exhibits of Fruit Made at the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto in September, was the One Here Shown.

Included in this exhibit were peaches, apples, plums, grapes and some wonderfully well preserved specimens of fruit that were shown in glass bottles. The exhibit showed something of the fruit possibilities of Ontario. It was arranged by the Fruit Branch of the Department of Agriculture.