

The Winnipeg Industrial

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The horticultural features of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition have never been very strong, and the show held from July 11 to 17 of this year was no exception to the rule. Much the finest display of fruit came from Ontario and British Columbia. For some years the British Columbia people have made an excellent display of their products at the large fairs in the prairie provinces, and their fruit has naturally been coming more and more into favor in consequence. Last year the Ontario Department of Agriculture also made a display of Ontario fruits, and this year an even better exhibit was forwarded. Both of these displays showed all kinds of tree and small fruits, and the Ontario exhibit included a number of samples of honey. In both cases the exhibits were put up with a great deal of taste, and they were favorite corners with sight-seers from prairie sections where fruit growing is practically an unknown industry.

The Buchanan Nursery Co., of St. Charles, Man., had a most creditable display in the same building showing samples of perennial flowers grown in the open. A number of roses which have mostly been considered a tender line here, were shown, and of course such old favorites as peonies, irises, delphiniums, golden glow, bleeding heart, etc., were conspicuous, while a good showing was made in bottles of apples, crabs, plums and small fruits grown on the nursery.

The professional florists did not enter into competition, but two of them, The Rosery and R. P. Ormiston, both of Winnipeg, made up beautiful large stalls of cut and potted plants. A similar booth was fitted up by the Public Parks Board of Winnipeg.

In the amateur class for flowers there were only a few entries, but these were mostly very good. One of the best things was a collection of 40 different varieties of sweet peas, in which Mrs. Lundgren, of Winnipeg, won first, and H. J. Edwards, Winnipeg, second. The pansy collection was small, but remarkable in excellence. Edwards won first and Mrs. Lundgren second. These two exhibitors also got most of the prizes in the other flower sections. C. N. Andrew won first on roses grown out of doors.

The Exhibition falls at quite an off season for fruits, and they made practically no showing at all.

Ontario Horticultural Exhibition

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The Ontario Horticultural Exhibition will this year, be held in the St. Lawrence Market Arena, Toronto, Nov. 10-14. For three years this show has filled Massey Hall to overflowing and, after serious consideration at their last meeting, the directors decided to move to the larger buildings where all the fruits, flowers, vegetables, and honey could be shown on the one floor, and where ample space could be provided for the rapidly increasing numbers of exhibits in each section. The St. Lawrence Hall is conveniently located on the Belt and King St. car lines, and has already been used for various shows, including the Automobile and Horse Shows. It lends itself specially well to a show such as the commercial growers have been putting up the past four years. It is hoped also that rooms in the building may be filled up for the holding of the various convention meetings during the week.

The Eastern Passenger Association has granted more favorable railway rates

to the exhibition than last year. The single excursion tickets within a radius of eighty-three miles may now be bought from Nov. 10-14 good to return until the 17th, these to include a coupon admission ticket to the show for an additional 25 cents. Single fare tickets on the certificate plan may be bought from Nov. 6-16 and are good up to the 19th no matter how many may purchase tickets on the plan.

The prize lists for the various sections were submitted with some slight changes and the printed lists will be got out as soon as possible. A big effort will be made to advertise the show and the conventions as widely as possible both in Toronto and over the province generally.

Canadian Exhibitions in 1908

Halifax, Nova Scotia.....Sept. 2-10
Kentville, N.S., Horticultural.....Oct. 7-9
London, Western Fair.....Sept. 11-19
New Westminster, B. C.....Sept. 29-Oct. 3
Ottawa, Central Canada....Sept. 18--26
St. Catharines, Niagara District.Sept. 17-18
St. John, New Brunswick.....Sept. 12-19
Toronto, Canadian National.Aug. 29-Sept. 14
Toronto, Ontario Horticultural..Nov. 10-14
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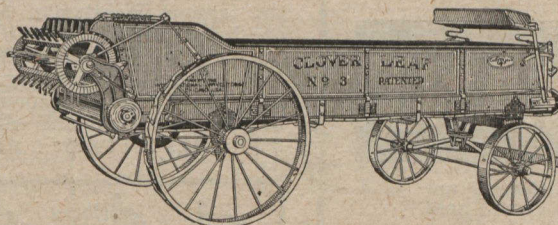
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