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pear to be nearly a standard crop, yet the markets will show high prices. Ontario will be decidedly short though the yields of all the successful plantings of last year will be above the average and, if extreme drouth does not set in, a much larger crop will be harvested than is anticipated. Canners who are usually well informed on crop conditions in their immediate neighborhood are, in almost every case, offering prices that would go to show that they expect a serious shortage in strawberries and raspberries. Black currants in commercial plantations will also be short. Red currants and gooseberries promise well. Blackberries were severely injured by the winter frosts, but with good weather conditions may yield a fair crop though not sufficient to meet the probable demands.

British Columbia has a normal acreage and a good crop of all small fruits.

Tomatoes were planted in excellent condition, and while the cold weather has undoubtedly retarded their growth, they are now in splendid condition to go into the warmer weather which may be expected. There is a very large increase in the acreage this year.

An Orchard Competition

P. W. Hodgetts, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, Ont.

The Department of Agriculture and the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association will this year conduct an orchard competition in all parts of Ontario. We wish to bring this to the attention of fruit growers everywhere at as early a date as possible. The money for this competition has been secured from the federal grant, and announcement of the competition could not have been made earlier. It is a little bit late now, but we desire to go on with it this year.

Ontario will be divided into six districts, as follows:

No. 1. Eastern Ontario District, comprising Lennox, Addington, Frontenac, Renfrew, Leeds, Lanark, Grenville, Carleton, Dundas, Russell, Stormont, Glengarry and Prescott.

No. 2. Lake Ontario District, comprising Halton, Peel, York, Ontario, Durham, Northumberland, Hastings and Prince Edward.

No. 3. Niagara District, comprising Lincoln and Wentworth.

No. 4. Lake Erie District, comprising Essex, Kent, Elgin, Norfolk, Haldimand, Welland, Brant, Oxford and Middlesex.

No. 5. Lake Huron and Georgian Bay

District, comprising Lambton, Huron, Bruce, Grey and Simcoe.

No. 6. Centre Ontario District, comprising Victoria, Peterboro, Dufferin, Waterloo, Wellington and Perth.

Prizes will be offered in each district of from \$15 to \$75, depending on the acreage. In two of the districts where apple orcharding is not carried on to as large an extent as in the others, the sizes of orchards specified are somewhat smaller, ranging from thirty to one hundred and twenty trees. In the districts around the Lakes prizes are offered for orchards from forty to one hundred and twenty trees, from one hundred and twenty to three hundred trees and in orchards from three hundred trees up.

A score card will be used in judging with the following number of points given for each orchard operation:

Pruning and scraping	18
Spraying	18
Cultivating or mulching	10
Barnyard manure or commercial fertilizer	10
Quality	10
Quantity	10
Cover crop	8
Marketing	6
Fences	2

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The competition will be for the year 1912 only, and bearing orchards will be considered, non-bearing orchards not being counted in the acreage entered. In District number three, comprising the Counties of Lincoln and Wentworth, all tree fruits and grapes will be included. In the other districts the competition will be limited to apples.

Regular application forms may be obtained from the offices of any of the District Representatives of the Department of Agriculture or direct from the Fruit Branch, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, on application.

The judges will pay two visits to each orchard during the remainder of the present season. Men thoroughly in touch with modern orchard practices will be sent out to do the judging. The visit of these men alone will be of value to the orchardist, as he should be able to obtain some valuable information on the most modern lines of handling trees. We would urge readers of THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST who consider that they are conducting their orchards along the most profitable lines to enter this competition.

SPECIAL

Exhibition and Fall Packing

NUMBER

THE INFORMATION contained in the September number of the Canadian Horticulturist—our Annual Exhibition and Fall Packing Number—will be from practical fruit men, and will deal with the fundamentals of the profitable handling of the fruit crop.

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