

and gave them samples of fruit, and used every means of introducing our fruits where we can find new markets, and as fruit growers in the middle states have decided that apples are with them too uncertain a crop to be cultivated, in future we will have an ample market in the large and growing cities of the west for all the apples we can produce ; and when more reasonable trade relations remove the duty, a profitable market for Nova Scotia fruit growers is assured.

I was honored by a visit in Nova Scotia court from the Governor-General of Canada and his worthy lady, both of whom took a lively interest in our fruit exhibit, and expressed a wish to become better acquainted with our province. As it was decided by the Canadian Government to make a large exhibit of Canadian fruits at Antwerp in 1894, I concluded the best mode of disposing of what remained of the exhibit would be to hand it over to them for that purpose. We gave nearly all our 200 bottles of fruit and berries, which were well preserved, and a good collection of green fruits, which were bottled and filled with acid in Chicago, to be exhibited at Antwerp in 1894, as the Nova Scotia exhibit of fruit ; and under the able and judicious management of Prof. Saunders, who has charge of preparing the exhibit, we may expect a most creditable display of Nova Scotia fruit.

In order to afford the world further proof of the importance of Nova Scotia as a fruit producing country, our worthy Secretary compiled and edited a pamphlet, entitled "Profits and Cost of Fruit Growing in Nova Scotia," ten thousand copies of which were printed—five thousand distributed at the World's Fair ; two thousand distributed in Europe by the agents of the Canada Pacific railway ; one thousand distributed in London by the W. & A. Railway Company ; one thousand will be sent to Antwerp for distribution, and the remaining one thousand copies are being distributed in Nova Scotia.

Our exhibit of fruit at the World's Fair, and the judicious distribution of these pamphlets, have done more to bring the fruit industry of Nova Scotia before the world, and open up new markets for our fruit, than any previous effort of this Association, and beneficial results will be realized in the near future.

The expense of publishing the pamphlets and the cash outlay of collecting and exhibiting the fruit, was paid by the Nova Scotia Government. The cost of bottles and acids, expressing, care-taking,