

before he reaches us. And this satisfaction is generally ours, that he never has to lessen his good opinion, but on the contrary his "astonishment" at Canada's display is considerably intensified.

Very few citizens from the south were prepared for so varied an exhibit of fruit from Canada. They did expect to see apples, but were quite unprepared for such a display of grapes and peaches. Without exaggeration or boasting I can say with pride that, barring California, no exhibit in the horticultural pavilion attracts so much attention or receives so many favorable comments for its variety and artistic arrangement as does the one that I have the honor to preside over.

Of the qualities of the Canadian display I will speak but briefly. From an Ontario standpoint I am not too well satisfied with it. If we had a few cases of those Canada Reds, Kings and Yellow Bellfleurs that I saw at Simcoe last fall we could easily beat anything in the building in these varieties. Even the Baldwins at Simcoe would give us second place, while now we hold about fourth. But, take the display as a whole, I can stand in the midst of it and say with pride to the visitor. "This is what Canada, my country, can do."

#### SOME CANADIAN EXHIBITORS.

Mr. Harold Jones, of Maitland, has done splendidly for us, his Scarlet Pippins and McIntosh Reds are greatly admired. Mr. Dempsey, of Trenton; Mr. Sherrington, of Walkerton; Mr. Woolverton, of Grimsby;

Mr. Stephens, of Orillia; Mr. Pettit, of Winona, and some others, also deserve special credit. Others worthy of mention may come to my notice as the cases come from cold storage and are opened.

At present we have 94 varieties of apples on display from cold storage, but many more than that in bottles. Apart from apples our bottle display comprises large collections of pears, plums, peaches, cherries, gooseberries, red and white currants, strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, cranberries, dewberries, blueberries, grapes, tomatoes, wax beans, green peas, snow-white cucumbers, rhubarb, strawberry-raspberry, and almost everything that is grown for household use. There is no such variety or collection shown within the exhibition grounds, and it is largely that feature, together with the arrangement in display, that attracts so much attention. Two opinions are freely expressed; first, that Canada has a surprising variety of products, and second, that Canadians have the faculty and enterprise for showing them to the best advantage.

May I add a word to readers of *The Horticulturist* who are intending to visit the fair and want only moderate accommodation. Take a Market street car at the Union station and go right out to the west end heights close to the agricultural entrance, and ample accommodation can be found within a few minutes in any direction at from one dollar a day up, meals extra at moderate prices.

Spraying is a live question with most fruit growers now, or should be, as the San Jose scale will force many to spray who never gave the matter a thought before. Where one has a lot of trees to cover the old hand pump must give way to the power outfit to insure the completion of the work in a reasonable time.—(Frank Blaikie, St. Catharines, Ont.)

I have about 450 apple trees and have a preference for the following varieties: Red Astrachan and Duchess of Oldenburg, for the early varieties; Hulbert, St. Lawrence, Alexander and Snow for the autumn, and Ben Davis, Northern Spy and Grimes' Golden for winter use. These so far have given me the best results.—(Chas. Hay, Ontario.)