

British Columbia Fruit

W. G. Henry, president of the Fraser Valley Fruit Growers' Association, writes an enthusiastic letter regarding fruit growing in British Columbia. He says that the industry is developing fast and people are beginning to give attention to the industry. When the new orchards are bearing he says they will be able to supply Manitoba with the finest plums grown in the world, at as low prices as can be grown anywhere. Regarding the poor condition of British Columbia fruit shipped this year to Winnipeg, he said this was owing to the fruit having been too ripe, delay in shipping and close cars. The association have shipped five cars of plums this year to Manitoba and the territories, he says, with good results, except in the case of those sent to Winnipeg. Mr. Henry is confident that with a little experience and with their new orchards coming in they will eventually supply Manitoba with all the plums required in good condition.

Scoured Wheat

The system of mixing scoured wheat in with the regular grades, will likely come up at the meeting of the standards' board at Winnipeg on Tuesday, and as all sides of the question will be represented, there will likely be a lively discussion over the matter. The action of the Winnipeg grain exporters regarding this matter seems to be one of indifference, as they will simply buy smutted wheat in accordance with their ability to dispose of it. If anything is done to prejudice or reduce the value of this class of grain, the farmers who are so unfortunate as to have smutty wheat, will have to stand the loss. With this point in view the members of the board will no doubt be very careful in making a decision which will tend to the injury of the farmers.

It has been suggested that a special grade be made for scoured wheat. It is very doubtful if this would be advisable. It would cause the impression abroad that the quantity of smutty wheat was very great here—So great that it was found necessary to strike a special grade for it. The wisdom of making special grades for any class of damaged wheat is doubtful, on account of the tendency it will have to advertise that particular class of wheat as a regular product of this country.

The October number of the Delinator is called the Autumn number and contains a choice and varied selection of timely articles. It gives an authoritative exposition of Autumn styles, illustrating a variety of novel, artistic and beautiful garments. Especially complete and valuable is its discussion on mourning. Mrs. Roger A. Pryor's paper on etiquette of Grief's outward showing being supplemented by an instructive article giving patterns and designs for mourning attire. Every mother with the responsibility of a household should study what is said about fitting out a family, the season's costume needs of herself and her little ones being fully treated. The progress of co-education in Great Britain is further explained by Amy Rayson. Book-binding as an occupation for women is entertainingly described by Evelyn Hunter Nordhoff. Lucia M. Robbins describes a new and amusing form of entertainment. The reopening of the schools is remembered in an account of things suitable for the children's luncheon basket, while A. B. Longstreet contributes a practical exposition of how to carve. The return of cooler weather makes timely the admirably illustrated article on draperies. The papers on the kindergarten by Sara Miler Kirby, on floral work for October by A. M. Stuart and the designs for burnt work

by Harriet Keith Forbs fully sustain the interest felt in these topics. The Delinator Publishing Co., 83 Richmond St. west Toronto, Ont.

Visit of Mr. McNichol.

Mr. McNichol, of Montreal, general passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific railway company, arrived in Winnipeg last week and left later for his headquarters at Montreal. In company with Robert Kerr, of this city, and W. R. Calloway, of Minneapolis, he has been on a trip to the Pacific coast over the Soo line to Moose Jaw and west, returning via the Great Northern to Winnipeg and thence to Montreal. While in the west they visited the Edmonton district. Mr. McNichol says the tourist travel has been good this year and the hotels and stopping places in the mountains have been well patronized. The Canadian Pacific Railway route through the mountains, he says, is becoming famous for its scenery, and will draw an increasing number of tourists. The fine crops, Mr. McNichol says, will help them to draw attention more effectively to this country as a field for settlement. "We are still doing all in our power to draw attention to this country, by means of exhibits, pamphlets, etc.," says Mr. McNichol.

Predictions of higher rates for money are made at New York. There was a slight temporary advance in call loan rates on the Stock Exchange, but it subsided after a few transactions at 1½ per cent or more, and 1 per cent has continued the ruling figure. Time money is unchanged. The current rates are 1½ to 2½ per cent. for short and 8 to 9½ per cent. for long dates. Mercantile paper rates for best names and doubles 8½ to 4 per cent. On Friday there was another flurry in call loans, which were quoted as high as 2 per cent.—Bradstreets, Sept. 14.

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THE ROSEBUD CLEARED ALL UP.

He had just finished the addition of fourteen columns of tantalizing figures, and was brain weary, when a friend and customer entered his private room. There was temper plain upon the intruder's face, for he was a man easily irritated, though generous to a fault. There was a misunderstanding, and he came not to clear it up, but to mix it up worse in a loud and useless wrangle. Ere he had finished his first burst of temper in loud words, his friend handed out the box containing "Reliance Rosebuds." The visitor grasped one bit the end off savagely, and wasted three matches ere he got it lighted. This act interrupted for a little his voluble irritation, but his first puffs were nervous and quick in succession. Before he was well seated and prepared for more loud talk, his friend had got in a few calm sentences, and as the misunderstanding was simple, the explanation was short and lucid. Few men have the blunt moral courage to acknowledge their mistake the moment after it is made, but as the smoke curled up from that cigar, the visitor saw clearly and acknowledged his, and a few minutes later left the room with expressions of perfect satisfaction, and avowals of continued friendship. This is but one of a hundred such instances. Cigars made from a coarse rank tobacco only increase the ill-temper of an irritated man, but the "Reliance Rosebud" contains the finest Havana tobacco, and smoking it never fails to soothe the nerves, and calm the temper. Try one when you are bothered and annoyed, and all doubt upon the matter will quickly vanish. This cigar is manufactured only by TASSER, WOOD & Co., RELIANCE CIGAR FACTORY, MONTREAL.

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Civic Management

The board of trade committee appointed to consider the question of civic government, have decided to make the committee a more public one to be composed of representatives of various organizations, such as the Trades Unions and general business and professional associations. In this way it is hoped that general public interest will be roused in this important question, resulting in the establishment of a more enlightened and businesslike system of civic government. There is certainly much need for a general reform of our system of civic government. The same system applied to any business enterprise would mean speedy ruin, and why then should it be applied to the management of the affairs of a city? Why should not civic affairs be managed in a similar way to any large business enterprise? certainly they should, and the sooner we get down to a business system in the management of a city, the better it will be for all concerned.