

Preparation are given in the rules of the Board of Horticulture and the report of this Association. The Bordeaux mixture should always be made fresh, as it deteriorates by keeping, but to facilitate matters where it is required on a large scale, a stock solution of bluestone may be made and kept ready for use. For instance, to make twenty gallons stock solution bluestone, have a barrel marked for twenty gallons, then suspend forty pounds bluestone in a basket or sack just below this mark and add water up to the mark. The bluestone dissolves much more readily if suspended than if simply put in the bottom of the barrel, in fact cold water may be used if the solution is allowed to stand for a day or so. When dissolved this will give you two pounds of bluestone in each gallon.

Mark a barrel in the same way at twenty gallons for your stock lime paste. Slack forty pounds of lime and run into the barrel and add water up to the twenty gallon mark. When stirred each gallon will contain two pounds of lime. Now, it is a very easy matter, when you know the capacity of your spraying tank or barrel, to measure off the quantities of lime and bluestone required and add the necessary water for diluting to the proper strength, being careful to stir the lime mixture before using.

Strain everything that goes into your spraying tank or barrel through burlap or wire sieve. Keep the barrels holding stock solutions well covered up.

Re COLLECTION OF INSECTS:

The Chairman stated that this was the nucleus of a collection being made by the Department, and that he would be pleased to receive donations from those who came across anything of interest that might be added.

A long discussion took place upon the advisability and propriety of sending delegates or representatives to attend the meeting of the Northwestern Fruit Growers' Convention at Portland on the 6th of February. It was decided that as the British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association is not a branch of the Northwestern Association, it could not properly send a delegate there with credentials, and as for any benefits derivable, they would no doubt be gleaned from the printed reports of the Convention. The Association could not be considered entitled to pay the expenses of a delegate.

Several members, however, expressed it as their intention to be present at that Convention, and the Chairman read a letter from the Secretary of the Northwestern Association of Oregon, inviting any member of the British Columbia Association to attend and take part in the proceedings. This was received and filed.

Mr. Palmer moved, seconded by Mr. Henry :

"That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to those who had