THE FRUIT CROP PROSPECTS

HE crop correspondents of THE CANA-DIAN HORTICULTURIST report the fruit situation and conditions in all parts of Canada at this date to be as follows:

KINGS COUNTY, P. E. I.

New Perth.—Fruit prospects are excellent. The bloom was heavy on apple trees. Small promise well. - John Robertson, fruits

OUEENS COUNTY, P. E. I.

Long River.—All varieties promise well. Plum trees have been damaged in some places. There is quite a bit of dead wood to be noticed. All wild fruit promises an abundant crop.—John Johnston.

PRINCE COUNTY, P. E. I.

Muddy Creek.—Present prospects could not be better. All the early varieties are blossoming profusely and the later ones are doing as well as can be expected. If there are no wind storms, crop should be good.—C. R. Dickie, June 11.

· SUNBURY COUNTY, N. B.

Upper Sheffield.—Apple crop promises well. English cherries and plums will be a heavy crop. Small fruits look well.—Isaac W. Stephenson.

Oromocto.—Apple trees blossomed abundantly and seem free from insect pests. Small fruits promise well.—Henry Wilmot.

YORK COUNTY, N. B.

Fredericton.—"Every apple tree covered with bloom" is summing up the apple outlook at present. Tent caterpillars are swarming over everything. Our association is planning a series of orchard meetings this month to demonstrate spraying, pruning, and so forth.—S. B. Hatheway.

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Murches.—The apple trees were full of blossoms and the weather being fine and warm at the time, they are now well filled with small apples and the prospects are bright for a heavy crop next fall. Rasp-berry bushes winter-killed badly.—John Ferguson.

QUEENS COUNTY, N. B.

Lower Gagetown.—According to the apple bloom, the conditions are very favorable for a big crop but it is rather early to determine whether the fruit has set properly or not. Cherries were very full of bloom but plums rather shy. Strawberries were very much winter-killed.—Geo. MacAlpine.

KINGS COUNTY, N. S.

Kentville.—During the past month, the weather has been almost ideal for fruit. Japan and European plums appear to have set well. Canker worms are quite plentiful. The bloom on apple trees probably was the best we have ever had.—R. S. Eaton.

Paradise.—Prospects for apples are good; the bloom was abundant. Gravensteins particularly promise well. Spys and Baldwins are a little off in some localities. Foliage is healthy. The trees wintered well.—B. Starratt.

DIGBY COUNTY, N. S.

Digby.—Indications point to an abundant crop of cherries and apples. The bloom in all cases was prolific and the conditions now are good for a big crop.—F. W. Nichol.

ANNAPOLIS COUNTY, N. S. Nixtaux West.—Fruit trees came through the winter in good condition. The weather conditions during blossoming season were excellent. Prospects for big crop are good.— F. M. Chipman.

L'ISLET COUNTY, QUE.

Village des Aulnaies.—Trees and plants wintered well. Prospects for small fruits are very good. Early varieties of apples and Duke and Morelle cherries bloomed abundantly. European plums promise another good crop this year but the Blue Damson and Reine Claude varieties that bore heavily last year will give but a medium crop.—A. D. Vernault.

JACQUES CARTIER COUNTY, QUE.

Lachine Locks.—The apple bloom was not as heavy this year as last. Setting season has been good. The present dry weather will hinder spot fungous development and there does not appear to be many insects. Cherry and plum trees bloomed heavily and set well. Raspberries wintered well and promise a heavy crop. Strawberries are not very good.—C. P. Newman.

GASPE COUNTY, QUE.

Mal Bay.—Fruit trees suffered very much during the past winter and some of them are dead. Apple trees bloomed well. Currants and gooseberries promise a good crop. -Maurice LeMoine.

ROUVILLE COUNTY, QUE.

Abbotsford.—Apple trees blossomed profusely. Summer varieties set well, but not so autumn and winter kinds. Pears showed little or no blossoms and no fruit. Plums set fairly well.-C. A. Fisk.

TWO MOUNTAINS COUNTY, QUE.

La Trappe.—Fruit is abundant, especially pears, cherries and small fruits. Fameuse and McIntosh Red promise a good crop.
As a matter of fact, an excellent year is forecasted for fruit growers in our district. -G. Reynaud.

STANSTEAD COUNTY, QUE.

Massawippi.—All small fruits give promise of an abundant harvest. Plums and cherries are above the average. About twothirds of the apple trees were killed by the blight of two winters ago. Those trees that are uninjured are loaded .- G. P. Hitch-

CHATEAUGUAY COUNTY, QUE.

Chateauguay Basin.—On the whole, indications point to a good crop. Apples, plums and cherries have set well; also all small fruits, but if we do not have rain soon, it will go hard with some of them, particularly strawberries. Plum curculio is doing considerable damage in this locality. Outbetter.—N. E. Jack.

HASTINGS COUNTY, ONT.

Trenton.—In general, the prospects for apples are poor. Duchess, Astrachan and

some of the early fall varieties are fair but all the later ones are exceedingly light. Even the seedlings along the road have failed to set. The bloom was out only for a short time before it dropped. The crop of plums and pears will be light. Cherries are not more than half a crop. There will be no peaches. Strawberries have been affected with the dry weather. Not much fungus has been noticed except what came early on the foliage. There are very few caterpillars but more canker worms and bud moths.—W. H. Dempsey.

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