

## THE EXPORT OF PEACHES.

IT seems well proven that we cannot export the Early Crawford peach with any certainty of success. One lot that was safely landed sold for \$3.75 per bushel and clearly showed

safe carriage. Not only is each peach being wrapped with cotton batting, but it is laid on a cushion of the same, and a pad of this material separates each row of fruit, as shown in our illustration.

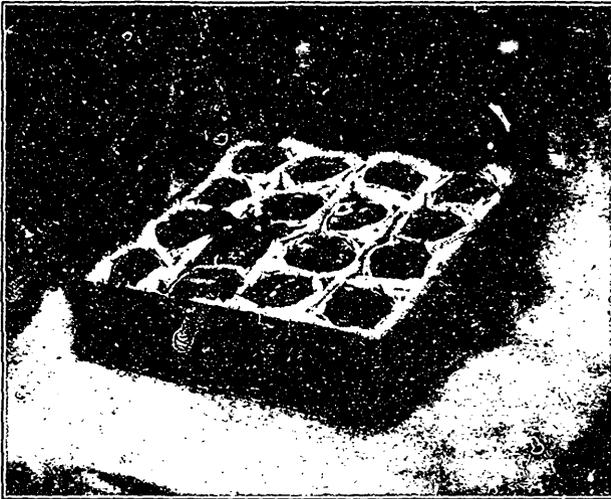


FIG. 1677.—TRAY FOR PEACHES.

that our peaches would bring a long price in England, if only they could be landed in good condition, for the quality is most excellent and the color is exquisite. But for the most part this peach has arrived in a soft and worthless condition, and brought loss upon the shippers. The package first used was very clumsy and very expensive, but of course if it were successful we could stand the cost. It was a box holding a little more than a bushel, having 8 trays, each of which contained one layer of fruit, and had to have a separate cover nailed on it. The peaches were each wrapped in tissue paper and tightly packed. The labor of packing in this way was most wearisome. This season the same case is being used, but still greater care is being taken to ensure

(Fig. 1677). Then a cushion covers the whole, so that there is no possibility of bruising, and if carried at a temperature of 36° F., we see no possibility of failure even with the Early Crawford.

Two trays of them so packed were left over at our cold storage building at Grimsby, and three weeks later opened at the Town Hall, at our Horticultural Society Exhibition, and although of this tender variety, they were in perfect condition, with no perceptible change since packing.

The surest success in exporting peaches will come about by the use of some better shipper than the Early Crawford, and we believe that in the Elberta we have found such a peach. It is about as large as the Early Crawford, longer and flatter lengthwise, not quite equal in