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Experimental Work with Fruit

For several years the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union has been neglecting experimental work along horticultural lies. A new committee has now been appointed to look after the horticultural work. In his report at the last annual meeting, held at the Ontario Agricultural College, January 9-10, Prof. Harcourt, chairman of the committee, stated that while they had no results to report this year a series of experiments had been decided upon to be worked out through a series of years starting with 1912. Lhese experiments include trials with fertilizers on peach orchards in the Niagara Peninsula and with apple orchards in Norfolk and Durham counties to decide the efficiency of various kinds of cover crops and fertilizers on young orchards.

Seven acres of apple orchard will be planted on the Government Forestry Farm in Norfolk county. This orchard will be divided into two sections. Un one section only leguminous plants will be used for cover crops and on the other section cereals. Fertilizer plots will cross divide these two. Experiments with tertilizers on vegetables are to be conducted in the vegetable garden at the Ontario Agricultural College, consisting of six or seven acres. In this garden the rows all run one way. Nine fertilizer plots will cross these rows at right angles.

It will be some time before any definite results can be announced as a result of the experiments conducted by this branch of the Experimental Union.

Why the West Succeeds

Mr. W. H. Bunting, of St. Catharines, Ont., the special representative of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, while visiting fruit growing conditions in the Pacific coast states recently, was a guest of the trustees of the Spokane Chamber of Commerce and the National Apple Show

during his stay of four days in Spokane.
"I have visited the best orchards in America," he said, "but never have I seen cleaner or better apples anywhere. I have talked with scores of growers and have seen what they do in the way of spraying and pruning and generally caring for their trees, and can now understand why Washington apples enter the world's markets. However, I think that if our orchardists in Ontario and other provinces in Canada gave as much time and study to their trees as the apple ranchers do in this country, they would not only rejuvenate their orchards, but also grow better fruit and receive more money from their products.'

Mr. Bunting visited the Spokane valley, where he saw every known method of irrigation practiced in America.

Shipments to China

The Canadian commercial agent in Shanghai, China, reports that last November a small shipment of Baldwin apples was sent to a well known firm in Shanghai from British Columbia, Canada. It did not arrive in a very satisfactory condition. In a number of the cases, some twenty apples were had in each case. The apples did not seem able to stand the voyage from Vancouver to Shanghai. Those that did arrive in good condition were nice show ap-

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ples, but they do not keep any length of time.

Some three hundred boxes of November Pippins that arrived in Shanghai tro. well-known British Columbian firm on November 13th, from Vancouver, arrived in excellent condition and were a credit to the Canadian firm who sent them. They sold readily and were considered much better than the United States apples.

Last fall five kinds of Canadian apples were sent to Shanghai—Pippins, Spitz-bergs, Ben Davis, Northern Spy and Baldwins. Out of this collection the Pippins more than held their own and were easily chosen as the best apple for the trade.

Items of Interest

The following is a list of the delegates from the Ontario Fruit-Growers' Association to the Dominion Fruit Conference to be held at Ottawa, Feb. 14, 15 and 16: Harold Jones, Maitland; W. H. Bunting, St. Catharines; R. W. Grierson, Oshawa; Walter Dempsey, Trenton; J. E. Johnson, Simcoe; E. D. Smith, Winona and D. Johnson, Forest.

An effort is being made in the Niagara district to induce the Ontario and Dominion Governments to establish a pre-cooling system in the vicinity of Winona. This as the system which has proved so successful in California and in other sections of the States. By it the use of ice in cold storage cars, which often results in the deterioration of the fruit in transit, is done away with. It is reported that the fruit grow ers are ready to contribute \$25,000 towards the construction of a station if the two governments between them will put up

The British Canadian Canners, Limited, is the name of a new canning company that has been organized with an authorized capital of \$1,000,000 and a bond issue of \$1,000,000. The company is reported to have purchased five sites for the erection of five modern canning factories, and that it expects to pack about five hundred thousand cases of assorted canned goods the first year. The head office of the company will be located in Hamilton. It is said that the company intends to manufacture only a very high class line of fruit and vegetables.

We are in receipt of a letter from Prof. L. Caesar, of Guelph, who states that in the condensed report of the annual convention of the Quebec Fruit-Growers Association that was published in the January issue of THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST he was not quite correctly reported in his description of the new formula for the lime-sulphur wash or the methods of dilution to use. Readers of THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST are advised that full directions for the making and the applying of the wash will be found in a new spray calendar which will be issued shortly by the Department of Agriculture, Toronto, and also in a new bulletin in the Lime-sulphur Wash which is now on the press.

Farmers and fruit growers in the vicinity of Welland, Ontario, are applying to the Ontario Government for incorporation under the Ontario Companies Act. They seek to co-operate in the purchasing of supplies and the marketing of their products.

Are you thinking of getting a spraying machine this spring? Now is the time to do it. Send for the catalogues of the different machines advertised in this number, compare the merits of the different styles and makes, and then place your order early before the rush season commences.