

# REPORT

OF THE

# Fruit Growers' Association

OF ONTARIO

FOR 1872.

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*To the Honourable the Commissioner of Agriculture :—*

SIR,—It is with much pleasure that I submit for your inspection the Report of the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario for the year 1872. Since the presentation of our last Report the membership of the Association has largely increased, having more than doubled in number, and these so widely scattered over the Province that nearly every section is now represented. The Directors, believing that it would very materially promote the objects which this Association is intended to advance, if the members were put in possession of a complete list of the names and post-office address of their several co-labourers, have instructed me to embody in this Report such a list, so arranged under the head of the several counties and cities as to enable them readily to ascertain who among their neighbours are members of the Association. The Report also contains the usual record of the discussions which took place at the February, July, and October meetings, which contain much valuable information—the annual address of the President, which will prove of very great value to every one interested in the growing of pears, &c., and such other papers of interest as the Directors have been able to procure. A beautifully executed lithograph of the Bonne Clairgeau Pear, accurately coloured by hand, has been secured to accompany each number of the Report, designed for the members of the Association. It is the intention to continue to illustrate the Annual Report in this manner, if the means of the Association will admit, in the hope of ultimately furnishing the members with accurate coloured representations of our most valued fruits.

I have the honour to remain,

Your obedient servant.

D. W. BEADLE,

*Secretary of the Fruit Growers' Association.*

ST. CATHARINES, Nov. 1st., 1872.