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WESTERN NEW YORK HORTICULTURAL TO MEET IN ROCHESTER IN JANUARY.

THE forty-eighth anniversary of the Western New York Horticultural Society will occur January 28th and 29th, 1903, at Rochester. Among the speakers will be Professor I. P. Roberts, of Cornell University; Dr. H. J. Webber, and Professor Harold Powell, of the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.; Dr. W. H. Jordan, director of the New York Exp't Station; the "bug man," Professor M. V. Slingerland, always entertaining and instructive; Professor S. A. Beach, Dr. L. L. Van Slyke, Professor F. C. Stewart, and other. Mr. Alex. McNeill, prominent in the service of the Canadian government, will give a talk on "Grading and Packing," an object lesson.

About fifty years ago a few men interested in fruit culture met in Rochester, in response to a call which declared that the culture of fruits in this region was becoming an im-

portant branch of industry. Apple growing and all fruit raising was then in its infancy. Out of the meeting of earnest, enthusiastic men who responded to that call sprang the society, which, for nearly half a century, has devoted its energies and its money to the advancement of the art of fruit culture. The discussions of practical questions, in which every one is free to participate, is a popular feature of the annual gatherings, and it is no uncommon thing to hear well-to-do fruit growers attribute their success largely to their membership in the society.

Few people realize the extent of the apple industry of the United States. Thirty years ago a barrel of American apples was a curiosity in the English market. The total exports from American to European ports, for the week ending December 6th of the present year, amounted to 111,191 barrels. The total shipments of apples from American ports for the present year up to December