

### Manitoba

**Brandon.**—Standard apples are not grown to any extent in this province. The more tender varieties of apples were badly injured by last winter's frost, and the hardy kinds are not bearing quite as well as usual. Native varieties of plums under cultivation are well loaded with fruit. These are the most suitable for the northwest, as they are about the only ones that ripen sufficiently early. Small fruits of all kinds are about an average crop; wild fruit is quite scarce.—(C. A. Bedford, Supt. Experimental Farm for Manitoba.

### British Columbia

Taken altogether the fruit crop of British Columbia is very good and well above the average. In some districts a few varieties are scarce, but taking the exceptionally dry season into consideration, on the whole, the outlook is extremely promising. In the Okanagan Valley and the district round the Lower Frazer, the chief fruit growing section of British Columbia, the crops of apples, pears and plums are very good, while prunes are a little scarce. In the Boundary country the apple and pear crop is very good, also plums and prunes. At the coast the crop of apples, pears and plums are all very good, with prunes about a quarter crop. In the interior, where fruit is just past the experimental stage and the orchards are beginning to give some return, the crops are again very

good, all round apples and pears being especially fine. The district around Nelson along the shore of the Kootenay river is rapidly forging ahead as a fruit growing district. Taking the province all through the fruit crops in general compare very favorably with last season, more fruit being grown this year, as more trees are coming into bearing.—(H. J. Marks, Nelson, B. C.

### Fruit Division Report for August

The fruit division of the Dominion department of agriculture recently issued the following report concerning fruit crop conditions: Prospects have not changed materially since the last report. In southern Ontario the fruit will at least equal the crop of last year in quantity and surpass it in quality. In the Georgian Bay and Lake Ontario district everything points to a medium crop, cleaner than usual. Nova Scotia is developing considerable fungus. Prince Edward Island reports no appreciable change.

Pears of all sorts are a light crop. Plums are a total failure in more than half the orchards and only a light crop anywhere. The prospects for peaches have not improved. Fifty per cent. of the correspondents report a total failure. Black rot has injured the grape crop materially in the larger vineyards, but the crop will still be fair.

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