

numbers of the Horticulturist for the year 1887. Those who send in their subscriptions may have the bulbs mentioned below if they so desire.

Fall Distribution of Bulbs.—Any subscriber, new or old, sending in his subscription of \$1.00 to the *Canadian Horticulturist*, for either the year 1887 or 1888, between now and the first of November, may have a package of winter flowering bulbs sent him, post paid, early in November next. The package will contain 1 Hyacinth, 1 Narcissus and 1 Tulip, all named varieties. As the contract is with a reliable Canadian seedsman, we believe the bulbs will give the best of satisfaction, and we hope may be the means of introducing these floral treasures into homes hitherto ungraced by their beauty.

The Annual Meeting will be held at either Hamilton or Grimsby, about the last week in September. The annual address of the President will be a prominent feature of the occasion, and will be of special interest to apple growers, of whom we expect to see a large representation.

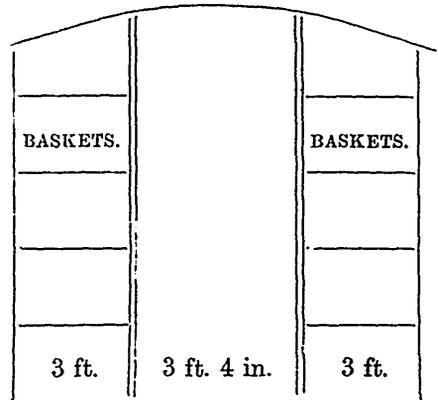
The Winter Meeting will be held at some point in the eastern part of the Province, possibly at Ottawa.

#### THE NEW G. T. R. FRUIT CARS.

ON the 21st of June the first of these new special fruit cars passed through Grimsby. As fruit growers we hail with gladness any such improvement marking a step in advance in accommodation for the enlargement of our business.

The car is a fine large one, similar in size and shape to a passenger coach, with the same excellent running gear and easy springs, and is therefore far better than any freight car for the carriage of tender fruits, especially for long distances. The length of the car

is about 40 ft. and the width over 9 ft. The car is shelved all around, with a passage lengthwise through the middle as well as across, thus affording easy access to packages of fruit in any part of the car. The accompanying sketch of a section of this car will aid us in giving our readers some idea of its conveniences :



G. T. R. FRUIT CAR—SECTION.

One of these cars will pass through the Niagara District every afternoon throughout the fruit season, gathering up fruit for the Montreal market from between the Suspension Bridge and Toronto. It will reach Montreal about 9 o'clock the next morning.

#### BUDDING.

THE nurseryman's art of budding trees is a very simple operation, and easily learned by any one who is at all handy with his knife. It is so useful, too, that every fruit grower should practice it for himself. Perhaps some of our readers were trying to top-graft their apple trees last spring, and in some instances the scion has failed to grow; in its place, however, several strong shoots have grown up by the side of the cleft. Now is the time, say from the 1st to the 15th of August, to make up for the failure of the graft by