

Were the florists compelled to construct the type of greenhouse called for by the civic regulations they would have to go back many years and adopt forms of construction that have long been discarded. Well meant restrictions often prove ridiculous when their enforcement is left in the hands of incompetent officials. This is a case in point. Toronto will continue to look ridiculous until this by-law has been amended.

The fruit growers of British Columbia, Ontario, and New Brunswick should put forth special efforts this month to make the fruit exhibitions that will be held in each of these provinces, a great success. These exhibitions not only set new standards in quality and methods of packing, but serve to arouse a greater interest in fruit growing and to stimulate a general improvement. Their success depends upon the support given by the individual growers. Let the growers of each province, therefore, do their part this month by attending their nearby exhibitions.

Eastern fruit growers spend considerable time discussing the wonderful strides that have been made by the fruit growers of British Columbia and the Pacific coast states. When we realize that as soon as we show the same spirit of enterprise, push and confidence we can accomplish even greater results we will begin to bestir ourselves more than we have.

PUBLISHER'S DESK

What Some Societies Might Do

During November the various Horticultural Societies of Ontario will hold their annual meetings. To those which have been in the habit of subscribing to THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST for all of their members we desire to express our hearty thanks. Were it not for these societies we would have been unable to have enlarged and improved THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST as we have. They furnish over one half of our circulation.

There are a few societies that send to the States for horticultural publications instead of taking THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST. In doing so they are perfectly within their rights. We would like to point out, however, that THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST is the only paper which has continuously and persistently worked in the interests of the horticultural societies of Ontario: That it is the only publication that gives publicity to matters affecting the interests of our horticultural societies: That it is the only medium

through which the officers and members of our societies are kept in touch with the work that is being done in this country and assisted in such matters as securing increased government grants, modifications in the legislation affecting societies and furnished with reliable information concerning Canadian conditions.

Some societies contend that they cannot afford to give THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST as a premium to their members. How is it then that fully two-thirds of the societies in the province are able to afford such an expenditure and are pleased with the results they obtain? Every horticultural society has two duties to perform. One pertains directly to its local affairs. The other comprises its relations to the larger questions of provincial and national horticultural interest.

We venture to say that there is not a horticultural society in Ontario that would not feel that it would be a public calamity were there no such paper in Canada as THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST. Yet there are a number of societies that do nothing to assist THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST.

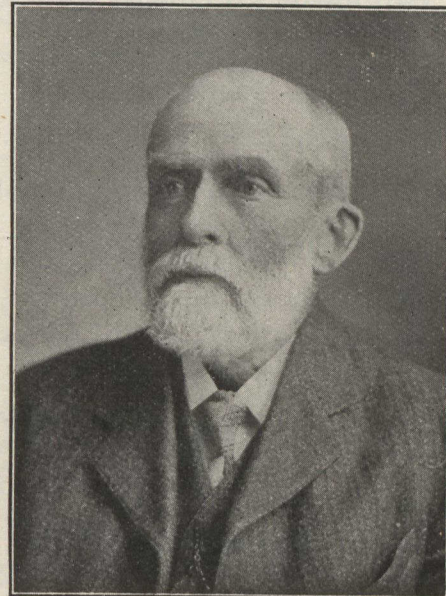
As already stated all that enables us to publish THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST in its present form is the support we are receiving from the majority of the horticultural societies of Ontario. Did the other societies support us to the same degree we would be able to greatly enlarge and improve THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST and thereby still further assist all of our societies. We feel that if more of our societies would look at the question in this light they would fall in line and thereby assist us in our efforts to improve and advance the horticultural interests of the Dominion.

We are planning to make THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST during the coming year of still greater value to all of our societies. We feel that those societies that subscribe for THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST for all of their members will receive splendid value for their money and that their members will greatly benefit by receiving reliable information concerning our Canadian conditions as furnished by our own Canadian authorities.

We have decided to discontinue the practice of publishing free readers for advertisers. In a monthly publication like THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST our space is so restricted it means that every reading notice that is published crowds out some important piece of general information. As all our advertisers are to be treated alike in this respect we do not expect that any of them will take an exception to our stand in this matter. It means that our reading columns will be made more interesting and that all our advertisers will thus be benefited.

Death of Pioneer Fruit Grower

The death took place on October 19th of Mr. A. M. Smith, of St. Catharines, who was the only surviving charter member of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association, formed fifty years ago. Mr. Smith was 78 years old, having been born on September 24, 1832.



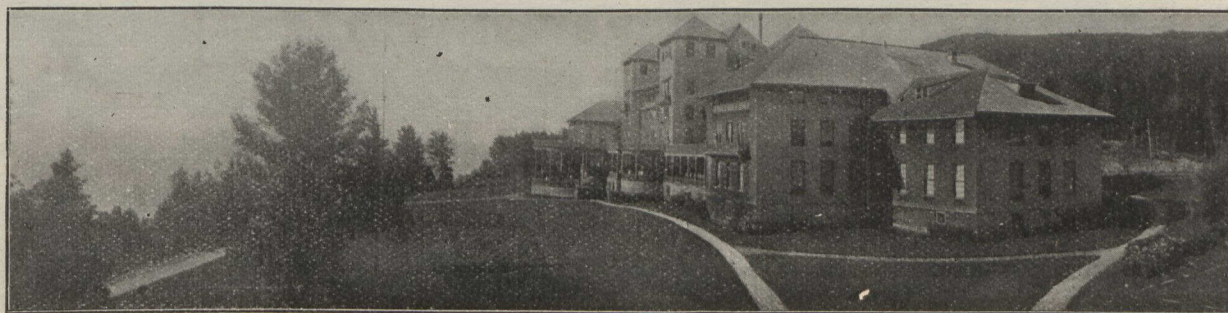
The Late A. M. Smith

At the fiftieth anniversary of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association held in Toronto last November, Mr. Smith was presented with a purse of \$175 and with an illuminated address. The address was read on behalf of the association by Mr. Murray Pettit, of Winona, a prominent fruit grower and officer of the association, who also has since passed away.

As a pioneer fruit grower and nurseryman, the late Mr. Smith was largely instrumental in the planting of many of the splendid orchards now found throughout Ontario. He was generally popular and respected everywhere for his integrity and singleness of purpose.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has granted a one way first class fare to the Canadian National Apple Show in Vancouver from all points in the Dominion of Canada. In addition it has granted selling dates in advance of the regular selling dates to the public for the benefit of the exhibitors.

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