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other nurseries that eastern firms have. A few years ago, while living in Ontario, I saw, while working in a prominent nursery, quite a number of boxes of trees from American growers being repacked and shipped out to the Canadian nursery's customers in Canada.

You say there are "some small concerns in British Columbia that have, probably, excellent stock, but only a small list to choose from," and that customers can get older and larger trees from the east. I have mailed you my catalog, listing 29 varieties of plums and prunes (including the "Maynard," which I have been propagating for several years), 20 varieties of pear, 11 varieties of peach, 16 of cherry, 78 of apples, and about all the leading varieties of small fruits suitable for this climate. If these are not enough we will produce more. As you will notice, I am listing these in one, two and three-year-olds, and as our one-year growth from the bud is from four to six feet, our two-year trees are larger than the so-called three-year eastern stock. Hence, that cry will not hold water.

As far as the inspection stations are concerned, quite likely the Board of Horticulture will attend to establishing more stations as soon as they see the need of it. As to "discrimination," I cannot believe it, as no favors are shown; but, where stock is infested with dangerous pests, or diseased, it is destroyed, irrespective of where it comes from or to whom consigned. Every British Columbia nurseryman is obliged to put up a bond and take out a license, the same as is required of outside firms.

I have been a member of the British Columbia Horticultural Society ever since it originated, but this is the first I have heard of any of those "indignation meetings." I trust that you will give this letter the same prominence that you gave your editorials.—M. J. Henry, Vancouver.

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Inspect at Revelstoke

Editor, THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST.—The establishing of an inspection station at Revelstoke for fruit trees and shrubs is a move in the right direction and something that is much needed. The Kootenay country is getting to be quite a fruit growing district, and the difference in transportation and freight will be great from eastern firms; whereas, at present the trees have to be shipped to Vancouver to be inspected and to be shipped back to these points. This makes a difference of about 1,000 miles, which often takes a couple of weeks' time. Fruit trees as a rule do not improve under this mode of treatment. The sooner they can be transplanted the better.

If an inspection station is started at Revelstoke, I presume that trees shipped from the east to Kamloops and Okanagan will also be inspected at Revelstoke. That will be quite a saving to this part of the country as well. It will make a wonderful difference to eastern firms, for they are almost prohibited from competing with the coast firms, and Oregon, for the up country trade. I have always been partial to eastern trees myself, for they are better adapted to the climatic conditions of our country. I have planted trees from both places, and eastern trees have given me the best satisfaction. I hope and trust that an inspection station will be started at Revelstoke, and the government will be commended for taking such action.—John T. Edwards, Kamloops, B.C.

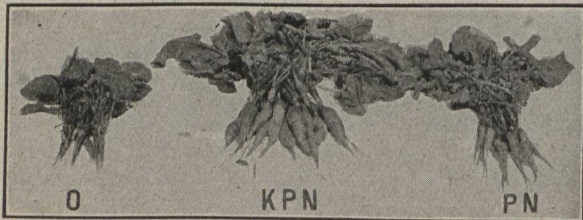
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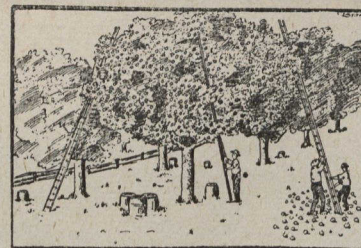
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