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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A School of Horticulture is being opened at the Rhode Island College, Kingston, R. I., with a course which is calculated for professional florists, gardeners, and fruit growers. F. W. Card, horticulturist, will conduct this department.

SAN JOSE SCALE.—Bulletin, December, 1897, of Tennessee, says this insect was introduced to California in 1876, and in 1887 into New Jersey. This is only about twelve years ago and now it has spread throughout almost the entire eastern part of North America. Strange that anyone can say that it was not worth worrying about. When fruit growers have to spray every inch of wood in their orchards in winter with crude petroleum or with whale oil soap, they will be sorry that more vigorous measures had not been kept in force.

TRANSPORTATION.—Our Committee on Transportation consisting of Messrs. W. H.

Bunting, E. D. Smith, and T. H. P. Carpenter, have been making every possible effort to secure better rates for fruit shippers from the Railway Companies. Last year certain important concessions were secured, and for the present season the following proposals have been presented to the Canadian Joint Traffic Association, which have been laid over for consideration at the Montreal meeting.

1. Restore last season's special rates, making them apply to mixed fruits in car lots to all destinations.
2. Make mixed fruits in five ton lots to one consignee, 3rd class.
3. Make mixed fruits in ton lots, to one consignee, 2nd class.
4. Place apples in barrels for shipment in Canada, in car lots, 8th class.
5. Grapes in barrels or large baskets, for wine purposes only, 5th class.
6. Encourage export of fruit to the British market.
7. Devise means whereby a better distribution of fruits by freight in Canada may be accomplished.
8. When refrigerator cars are iced on route, actual cost only to be charged.
9. Permit barrel apples in mixed cars, to carry the carload apple rate.