our apples will keep if properly handled. The late Geo. Wright of wanpoos, Ont., brought some apples to market once in July.



"Why," said buyers, "we have new apples in; yours cannot be any good." He said, "taste them," and they did and acknowledged that they were first-class. Now this gentleman had only a good cellar; temperatures were obtained by the opening or shutting of a window. The other fellow's apples did not keep so well, because probably he tied his picking basket to a limb and when he got up the tree, 10 feet above his basket, he forgot and said, "well, tney won't hurt to drop in the basket." This fellow's apples rotted in December and he wonders how his neighbors can keep apples the year around.

Nova Scotia Eunice Watts

The prospects for a good fruit crop are excellent. Apples, pears, plums, cherries and currants are loaded with blossom buds. Such an unusually heavy display of blossoms does not always indicate a heavy crop; the young fruits are more liable to drop unless there is an abundance of nourishment to carry them than when there are fewer flowers, and as yet we have to reckon with the June frosts if there are any to come.

Spraying is in full swing, and many more orchardists are being converted to the ex-

tent that they are buying spray pumps. The past and present conditions have been conducive to a good fruit crop. The summer was fairly dry and was succeeded by a mild winter and here we are with a backward spring.

Early peas are fit to cultivate. Asparagus, rhubarb, chives, mustard and cress are now very welcome after the long winter, but during the cold weather lettuce have been grown in greenhouses for which there seems to be an enormous demand; now, they are being rot-

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