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The Horticultural Exhibition

Arrangements already completed indicate that the Ontario Horticultural Exhibition, which will be held in Toronto, November 14-19 will be larger and better than ever. The exhibition itself promises to be of unusual interest as there will be some additional district displays, notably those from Northumberland and Durham and Leeds and Grenville counties. Ontario and Norfolk counties will also be on hand with a possibility that Prince Edward will also put up a small, but attractive display. In addition there will be educational exhibits, with particular reference to spraying, from the Jordan Horticultural Experiment Station and the demonstration orchards of Notawasaga Township, Simcoe county.

Changes have been made in the prize list so as to call for additional varieties of specimen apples. Two sections have been added for skill in packing, giving 75 per cent. of the points for that part of the work. A class has also been added for five box displays of Spy and Baldwin, also a class calling for ten plates each of Baldwin, Greening, King and Spy. These new sections should add greatly to the value of the exhibition from an educational standpoint.

The Womens' Institutes are holding their big convention on Nov. 17 and 18, and the exhibit of preserved fruits, jams and jellies will be under their control. There is a possibility that Mr. James E. Johnson, for the Norfolk Fruit Growers' association, will put up a car load of boxed apples. This will be something entirely unique and a new feature at this exhibition.

Pilfering by Express Employees

Mr. W. H. Bunting, of St. Catharines, who has represented the fruit growers of Ontario before the railway commission on several occasions most successfully, is collecting evidence in regard to the excessive amount of fruit stolen from packages by employees of the express companies while the fruit is in transit. Mr. Bunting recently laid evidence of twelve cases before one of the heads of a leading express company, without receiving practically any satisfaction.

The representative of the company claimed that the fruit growers frequently pack their fruit very poorly and blame resultant losses on the express companies, and intimated that the amount of fruit stolen was comparatively insignificant in quantity. The matter will not be allowed to stand in this position.

The cargo inspector for the Canadian Department of Agriculture at Glasgow, Mr. James A. Findlay, reports that the four firms, Messrs. Simons, Jacobs & Co., Jas. Lindsay & Sons, L. and H. Williams & Co., and Mr. Thomas Russell, who handle large quantities of Canadian fruit, have established one of the finest salerooms in the United Kingdom. It accommodates the bulk of the apple buyers, whereas under former conditions, when individual sales prevailed, the buyers were scattered and the purchasing power of the market was limited to a certain extent.