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CHESNUTS.—Bull. 42, Delaware, is devoted to the European and Japanese chesnuts. On the whole it would appear that more is to be expected in the near future from the Japanese varieties than from the European. The Killen, one of the former, has already been referred to in these columns.

A PROMINENT NOVA SCOTIAN.—Mr. W. C. Archibald, above mentioned, called at this office on 31st ult., on his way to visit the Agricultural College at Guelph. This gentleman is the chairman of the Board of Control of the School of Horticulture at Wolfville, and now hopes to be instrumental in having an Agricultural College established in his province.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—The President writes that the subject of better storage and ventilation for apples in ocean transport is to be discussed at their next meeting, and they will unite with us in asking legislation on this important condition of success. He says the island has been so much encouraged by her recent export of apples that considerable planting will be done in the coming spring.

THE NIAGARA PENINSULAR FRUIT GROWERS have elected Wm. Armstrong,

St. Catharines, President, and C. E. Fisher, Queenston, Secretary. The next meeting will be held in St. Catharines about the middle of January to listen to Professors Fletcher and Macoun of Ottawa.

THE BURLINGTON FRUIT GROWERS have elected A. W. Peart, Freeman, President, and W. F. Fisher, Burlington, Secretary.

FRUIT PULP would surely be a profitable article of export in seasons when green fruit is high priced; and since it will keep indefinitely, when once properly sealed up, we cannot see why it need be sold during those seasons when it would not bring a margin of profit. Here is a clipping from the Greengrocer, London, England:—

There is a good chance for our Colonial fruit-growers in supplying the London market with fruit pulps. This year French and Italian apricot pulp is extremely scarce. Last year it could be bought at from £15 to £20 per ton; it is now fetching very much higher prices, and we are informed that until June next prices are likely to rule high. It is put up in tins containing about 28lb., but the principal requirement is that the pulp shall be quite clean and free from specks. Dried apricots also will be wanted, and will fetch good prices. The pulp must, of course, be boiled with just sufficient sugar to make it keep in good condition.

What is to hinder our exporting raspberry and peach pulp, with profit?

GREEN GRAPE ROT.—When holding institutes in the famous grape belt of Western New York, the subject of black rot of the grape was thoroughly discussed by the growers and also by the scientists. The almost unanimous verdict was, that spraying with Bordeaux mixture pays. In some seasons there is no apparent good result, but there nearly always is a decided benefit. It pays to

clean up all trash, and especially all old, rotten grape clusters, and burn them. Even the tendrils on the vines were known to be a place of refuge for the spores of the black rot, and they were taken off by some careful vineyardists. Cases were related where the disease had spread from a dried berry or two left from former years.