winter, but judging from careful examination of the few that we had planted last year, they all appear to be in a very healthy condition. The buds are showing on all of the raspberries, blackberries, gooseberries and currant bushes. The strawberry plants appear to have done very well, and there is no sign of their being winter killed.

While we have many favorable conditions in this new country to warrant us in saying that in time a great many varieties of small fruits will be raised here in profusion, at the same time, it takes considerable education in order to bring more favorable results. The location of the Saskatchewan University and Agricultural College here will no doubt be a great factor in educating people along horticultural lines.

## Saskatchewan G. T. Barley

The prospects for all kinds of small fruits are good. The weather has been backward but heavy falls of snow this spring put the land in good conditon

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The bed of horticultural products, consisting of climbing roses, tea roses, spireas, syringa, carnations and grape vines, (a cut of which appeared in your paper last spring), has wintered all right and I expect a fine display this season. This shows me that we can have these things if we wish to take the trouble, and the expense of wintering would not be very much greater than it would be in any part of Eastern Canada.

## Montreal

## E. H. Wartman, Dominion Fruit Inspector

The first car of strawberries came to our auction room on April 28th. I emptied several boxes stamped "Imp. qt." and found

each filled this measure well heaped; two boxes weighed two pounds, four ounces. The man well accustomed to the trade would understand these were heavy weights. Geo. Vipond & Co. has been the only firm in this city up to the present date, May 19th, who has received a full car; in fact, this firm was the first to bring a car to Canada this season. The trade is a venturesome one, many losses are made by fruit landing in poor condition. So far condition has been very good. Prices have been from 13 cents to 23 cents a box.

My personal observation in Jacques Cartier County of fruit trees show that the winter was not severe on the apple, cherry or plum, although they are late putting

forth buds; will likely do well as we are past the date for frost or will when the bloom

The tomatoes under glass at Macdonald College have been ripe since May 10th. The crop is an abundant one, and the quality far surpasses those from the south coming in car lots.

Although apples in store are getting scarce, still money could buy 1,000 barrels yet out of cold storage, largely of Spy variety. I saw a barrel, originally packed seven months from tree, opened on May 11, that really looked very inviting—solid, well colored, crisp; price asked was \$8, or by the car \$7, which is quite a good profit to a man who bought at \$2.50. It is wonderful how long





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