

has been very favorable for the fruit to grow and develop, but it has also been very favorable for all insects and diseases affecting fruits to breed and increase. Where orchards have been neglected, the insects and diseases are now in full possession.

The deputy inspectors have done their best to warn and instruct people what to do and how to do and have worked little over half time making a total of ninety-two and a half days work.

The reports filed shows that 630 orchards were visited this month, 178 of which had been cultivated and fifty-three sprayed the second, and some the third time. It shows also that where spraying and cultivation have been done the fruit is in excellent condition.

Six hundred and thirty pear trees have been trimmed back on account of pear blight; four hundred and ten trees have been cut down; one hundred and seventy trees have been condemned to be cut down; eighteen hundred trees have been found affected by new pear blight, and one hundred and fifteen notices to cut out the blighted trees and clean up have been served.

I have visited in three of the districts and counseled with the deputies about the most necessary work and how best to carry it on to obtain the best results. But the most of my time has been given to inspection in the nurseries. There is now in the county, the smallest raising about ten thousand trees and the largest about half a million.

Where such large quantities of trees are growing, it takes the utmost care of both the proprietors and inspector to see that they are kept clean. But this must be said to the great credit of our nurserymen, that as their business has increased about three or four fold the last five or six years, so have their diligence and zeal to keep their stock clean and true to name also to import the best and latest methods and machinery for planting, spraying, cultivating and digging that the markets afford.

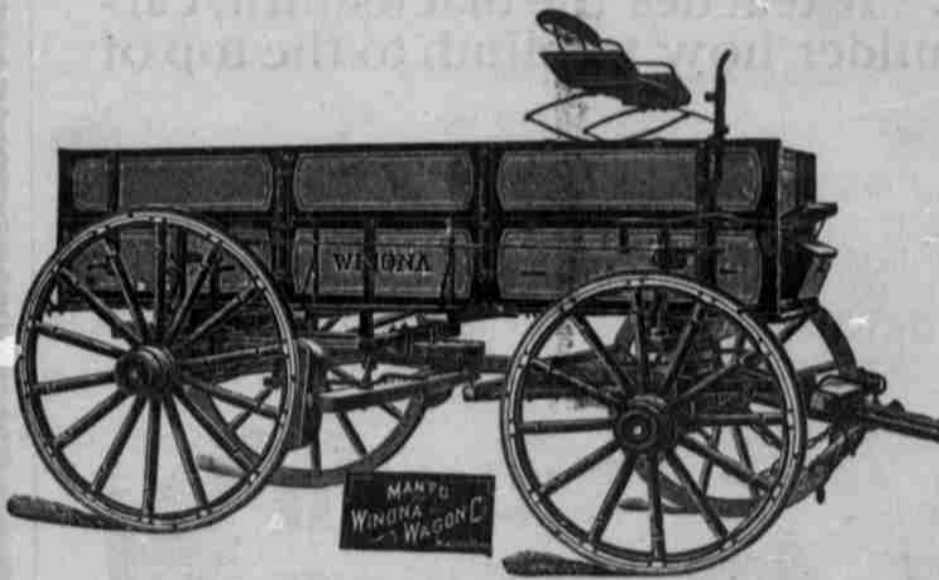
The consequences are that Utah trees, especially Salt Lake County raised trees, are equal to the best of California and Oregon trees, and far ahead of any raised in the Eastern States. This is my report for July, 1908.

Respectfully,
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