

## CRABS.

Our statistics gives us in order of preference :

1. Montreal Beauty is most grown, it bears freely even when old, and is profitable for a near market.
2. Transcendent is a strong grower, yields very heavy crops of a large fruit, somewhat astringent in taste. Like the former, it must be marketed carefully and quickly.
3. Queen's Choice : a great favorite in Stanstead and St. Francis Valley, being more reliable than the above in unfavorable places ;—bears young and heavily, sells readily there and, being firm in texture, keeps and ships better than the above.
4. Red Siberian : the best for jelly, and good for canning.

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The market orchardist in the vicinity of cities and towns will make more profit by cultivating Summer and Early Fall Apples, Cherries, and the finest varieties of Plums, too tender for long transportation ; he need not fear competition from growers at long distances.

The market grower of the interior will find his most profitable culture to be principally Autumn and Winter Apples, the Blue and Yellow Plums, (the good old varieties grown below Quebec.)

All these can be packed and transported to a great distance with safety, and the comparative cheapness of his lands enables him to compete advantageously with those more favourably situated in regard to market.

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**PLUMS.**

The Plum, as all are aware, is wonderfully productive, producing heavy crops for a long series of years, with scarcely an exception. No fruit with which we are acquainted seems more promising than the Plum. The superior excellence of the fruit causes it to be in great demand, and it brings readily in market from \$4 to \$6 per barrel. Single trees often yield over \$5 worth of fruit. An acre of Plums would produce, without doubt, 150 to 200 bushels on the average. I most confidently recommend for extensive planting, the well known varieties of