

way of the trellis, and have discarded many, such as the Adirondac, for which I paid \$5.00 for a small vine, Ontario, Northern Muscadine, Isabella, Iona, Concord, Creveling, Pocklington, Rogers' 15, 19, 22, 43; the 44 is the best, though not yet tested by me.

I have the Niagara, Woodruff, Jefferson, Lady Washington, Duchess, Walter, Wilder, Brant, and Early Victor. The Duchess and Lady Washington both fruited and partially ripened; some berries of the Lady Washington were very high flavored and fine. I hope, in a favorable season, they will delight us with their large and showy clusters, as well as the popular Niagara.

#### PLUMS.

The Glass Seedling Plum is very fine, all that was claimed for it; a good, hardy grower, and fine bearer; is not surpassed for canning, and has but few equals.

Moore's Arctic and Curculio proof tree has blossomed around me in several places, while the larger and older tree I have has not yet done so; neither have I seen any fruit of it in my neighborhood, for the curculios destroyed them all every time. It appears a very tender tree; I have grafted it on others several times; they have always frozen in winter, besides common sorts, as Washington, Princess, Peach, Egg, Lombard, &c., have come out all right. My original tree is still sound, and I hope to see the fruit this coming year. I am trying the Shippers Pride—the trees have done well so far; will report on them further on. The Russian Apple received last spring has grown fairly, but I do not think they are an extra strong grower.

#### FAY'S RED CURRANT.

of which we have such splendid drawings in our paper, have surpassed every other currant in growth so far, except the Raby Castle which, I think, will

fill the next place to it as far as yet tested.

#### RASPBERRIES.

I only keep a few varieties, and have held on to the old Red Antwerp for 30 years, and have been well pleased with results. Later, I have planted Cuthbert, Philadelphia, Reliance, Victoria, Franconia, and several others. I can't say that I find any surpassing the old Antwerp; the Cuthbert comes nearest in quality and productiveness, and stands second in our list. We gathered by the pailful off a small plot till we did not want any more, and then gave pailfuls away. The apple crop is our principal crop. Small fruits call for so much time to market that we cannot attend to it.

#### APPLES.

I am looking hopefully to the Russian family for something to turn up; some kind of winter fruit that will save with the Golden Russet, and prove as prolific and showy as the Oldenburgh, that will be a strong and vigorous grower to retop our 2nd and 3rd class fruits. Very many kinds are appearing to fail both in quality, quantity, and the general appearance becoming nubby-spotted, worthless for shipping—such as the Snow; it is played out, constitution gone, while the tree may be made profitable by retopping. The Swaar, Fall Pippin, Yellow Pippin, Jeneting, Benoni, Yellow Harvest, and a lot of others too numerous to mention, and the sooner the Fruit Growers get into something large and fine the better! and what shall it be? Have you, Mr. Editor, ever seen or grown the famed Nonpareil, of Nova Scotia; I would like to try it in Canada. If any of your readers can direct me where I can find it, it will be esteemed a favor.

Yours truly,

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