

Scotland some twenty years ago, and of which he has forgotten the name. It is a large yellow gooseberry, larger than the Whitesmith, nearly round in form, and the flesh is tender, sweet and excellent in flavor.

A sample of the Sutherland's seedling was sent me on the 29th of July, by Mr. Geo. Sutherland of Meaford. This gooseberry is of large size and good quality. Mr. Sutherland believes that this is a seedling of the Downing, and certainly it shows some characteristics of that variety. The bush is a strong upright grower like the bushes of the Downing. Mr. Sutherland has grown the Industry and Whitesmith by the side of it for some three or four years and, while both these varieties have been subject to mildew, this variety has never yet shown any weakness in that respect. What it may do in the future of course no one can say.

It will be noticed from our list of plants to be distributed during the coming spring of 1892, that we have placed on our list five Russian apples which we hope will prove of value in the cold north, viz.:—Gipsy Girl, Round Borsdorfer, Blushed Calville, Little Hat and Silken Leaf.

I am just in receipt of the following letter from Mr. Jaroslav Niemetz, Director of the Real College, Winnitza, Podolie, Russia. In it he gives a description of the new lot of scions of Russian fruit trees, which is now on the way to Canada. The greater part of this consignment will be placed in the hands of the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, for testing before distributing.

This exchange with one in Russia who is in so favorable a position for securing the best fruits of that country to send to us, is a fortunate thing, and we hope that excellent results will in time be gained by this exchange.

He says: "Of the following list of scions those numbered from 1 to 24 I have ordered particularly for you from Kalouga, where they originated in a garden in an exposed situation, where the normal lowest temperature is 32° C. below freezing point (or -26° Fahr.) Last year there were two weeks with a temperature of 38° C. below freezing point (or -36° Fahr.), without snow. The minimum was 44° C. below freezing point (or -47° Fahr.), which lasted two days only. The trees were not sheltered and yet remained alive.

*From Kalouga.*

1. Autumn Bergamot; good.
2. Morello; red.
3. Princess; summer; yellow.
4. Toskin (Toskinskoe); very early; variety from Gruschevka.
5. Apricot Plum.
6. Ox-heart Cherry.
7. Paunta Plum; greenish yellow; autumn.
8. Mitschurin Pear; very large; autumn; good for kitchen and evaporating.
9. Sugar Pear; large; good.
10. Morello; dark red; large.
11. Autumn White Plum.
12. Griotte de Scoux; excellent.
13. Monastyrskoe, or Monastyrka Apple; autumn; red; very good.
14. Sizoe; excellent new Russian apple.
15. Bonchretien de Kalouga; very good, large autumn pear; foreign variety acclimated in Russia.
16. Anisimov, or Half Crimean; excellent; autumn.
17. Autumn Striped, or Kurskoe; winter; large; very good.