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THE LAWSON PEAR.

The Lawson Pear is another of those new fruits which have not yet been tested in Canada; but, if it has all the excellences claimed for it by its propagators, it will be the leading market pear of its season.

The great objection to all our early pears that ripen before the Clapp's Favorite and the Bartlett is their small size.

The Rostiezer is perhaps the best in quality for dessert of all our tested early summer pears. In flavor, it is equalled only by the famous Seckel, which was at one time so popular as an autumn dessert pear. When the Rostiezer is well known among consumers, it is eagerly sought for; but when placed in a new market it is very unsalable, on account of its small size and poor color.

The Oslands Summer is a very good old pear, ripening early in August and a little before the Rostiezer. It is larger than the latter, and takes on a better color, being of a clear yellow with a warm cheek, but not quite equal to it in flavor. In our grounds it has

been quite subject to blight and not very productive; while the Rostiezer, on the other hand, seems be to be comparatively free from blight, and is an abundant bearer.

The Margaret is a new summer pear, of medium size, and very highly commended as the finest of its season, which is about the last of August. We are testing it, and hope to report later concerning it.

The Tyson, an old and well established pear, is just now receiving many enconiums among our exchanges, but we do not value it very highly. It certainly is a fine grower. We have some trees twenty-five years planted, which are about thirty feet high and bear heavy crops annually, but the fruit, though a good size, has a poor color, and it comes too near the Bartlett season to command a high price.

We have thus briefly spoken of the best of our early summer pears to show that there is room for one of good size, good quality and beautiful color.

Now all these excellences are claimed for the Lawson. The color is said to be a most beautiful crimson on a bright yellow ground, and the time of ripening about the 1st of August. It is also claimed to be an annual bearer.