

affected some of my pears and plums, but my apples are flourishing well. One Flemish Beauty pear tree close to the Duchess d'Angouleme tree is laden with fruit. My apple crop will be very light, but cherries and plums, for the number of bearing trees, will be very plentiful. Potatoes are doing well here and have escaped the bug fairly well so far. The root crops, carrots and onions in particular, are very poor. What corn I have seen planted here looks very flourishing. Thanking you for bringing our section of the country into prominence by the insertion of my letter, as it is at present not much known from being so recently opened up, believe me,

I remain yours sincerely,

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#### REPORT FROM THE COLD NORTH.

MR. EDITOR,—Another year having completed its course, I herewith hand in my report of last winter's inroads on my already too limited list of "Hardy Fruit Trees." The past season was quite as severe as any we are likely to have, and proved to be a real test-winter for our locality.

Notwithstanding the intensity of the cold, the mercury freezing in the bulb of the thermometer, the Wealthy, Duchess of Oldenburg, Yellow Transparent, Tetofsky, Scott's Winter, Peach of Montreal, and Alexander, with me all came through without the loss of a single bud. I hardly know what to say of Magog Red Streak, as it was somewhat affected, but still it is fruiting and I have good hopes that it may yet come out all right.

I fear, however, that we shall be obliged to strike the McIntosh Red from the list that will endure a temperature of 40° below zero, as last season proved them to be among the list of almost-hardy-enough varieties. It is

only fair to state that none of these in my orchard are dead, but with one single exception all are more or less injured. Perhaps we should give it another trial before we discard it altogether. The following, however, went completely, viz., Mann, Stump, Snow, Hastings and Haas. I might mention that at the meeting of our Local Association, held last week, very favourable reports were given in of the Pewaukee and Walbridge.

#### PLUMS

In these the inroads have been numerous indeed.

First of all that "tree of trees," the one upon which we in the north had been induced to count so much, viz., the Moore's Arctic, have every one died to the ground. My Green Gages have also all gone to accompany them, as well as my most promising Lombards, and my healthy and vigorous Coe's Golden Drop.

Prince Englebert tried hard to weather the storms, but it eventually failed and had to be rooted out. My White, as well as my Red Magnum-bonums, sharing the same fate.

Of all my stock one alone is left unto me, and that one, though not in by any means too promising a condition, is Glass' Seedling.

Now, if any of your readers have a blue, white or yellow plum that will withstand a temperature of 40° below zero, I for one would be pleased to have them state the fact in the *Horticulturist* that I may go and purchase one likewise.

The Russian Mulberries, I fear, are also too tender, as the two I have and the one owned by another gentleman here have all been killed back more or less every year for three years. I now well nigh despair of ever tasting any of this fruit of my own growing, although they may finally get acclimatized and do better than they have hitherto done.