

ter of the soil that predominates in the orchards of your section, the soil found to be the most suitable to the several kinds of fruit, &c.

41. Do you know of any seedling fruit of merit in your vicinity? If so please give its history and description, kind, size, color, quality, time of ripening, growth of tree, &c.

Several of the leading public Journals kindly published the questions in their issues, thus giving them a wide circulation.

The answers received were referred to a Committee, consisting of D. W. BEADLE, Sec'y. PHILIP GREGORY, of Louth, and the late J. ALEXANDER CAMPBELL, of Grantham; and the information thus obtained was condensed into a Report, read at the annual meeting, held 21st Jan., 1863, and ordered to be printed.

In submitting this Report the Committee is aware that much valuable information yet remains locked up in the individual experience of gentlemen scattered through the different parts of the Province; but hopes that every person into whose hands it may come, will have the goodness to communicate to the Secretary, at St. Catharines, any facts bearing upon this subject, which shall tend to make our knowledge of the varieties of fruit best adapted to the soil and climate of the several counties more complete, or aid us in combating the diseases and enemies which impede our success.

D. W. BEADLE,
Sec'y and Chairman.

REPORT

Of the Committee appointed to examine the Replies received in answer to the Circular of Inquiries issued by the U. C. Fruit Growers' Association.

There has been received by the Secretary, sixty-eight replies, many of them quite full, and evidently written with much care, embracing returns from thirty different counties. The information thus received will, in the opinion of your Committee, be found to be of considerable value; and the thanks, not only of the Association, but of every fruit grower and of every fruit consumer in the Province, are due to the gentlemen who have so kindly taken the trouble to send to your Secretary the results of their observation and experience.

In condensing the replies, your Committee has aimed to give, in the first place, a general view of the geographical distribution of the several fruits usually cultivated throughout the Province; then to show, as far as the materials furnished will enable them, the more local distribution in each county and the special information pertaining to each, at the same time stating the sources from which it is obtained; and lastly, to present in tabular form, the information received from each county concerning each variety of Apple, of Pear, of Plum, Cherry, Strawberry and Grape.