

MR. McLEOD said he had a long keeper similar to the Gravenstein which he considered valuable.

MR. CREIGHTON advised planting only about six varieties, mostly good keepers, and looking to foreign shipment for markets: Astrachan and Oldenburg do well for local markets, but would not stand shipping. Recommended planting Gravenstein, Kings, and Golden Russets. Would not advise planting Ribston, they did not do well.

MR. STROMBURG said Ribston might succeed in some places, but Astrachan would grow anywhere. Oldenburg, very thrifty. Alexander good, and so with Keswick Codlin. Gravenstein, a general favorite, and doing well. Ben. Davis, a good grower but poor quality of fruit. R. I. Greening does well.

MR. FILLMORE would add Wealthy to Mr. Creight on's list, but for Toney Bay and like sections only the hardiest sorts, such as Oldenburg and Alexander should be planted. Would not recommend either Ribston, Nonpareil, or Baldwin.

MR. CREIGHTON said he believed Gravenstein would supersede all other autumn sorts, let us plant but a few sorts and let those be the best.

MR. PINEO asked about plums, and expressed his belief that plums might be a profitable crop to grow.

MR. W. J. CLARK had planted plum trees, but had been disappointed in the trees, they had not proved true to name, and many were worthless.

MR. T. E. SMITH said Lombard and Bradshaw were good standard sorts. Moore's Arctic was in demand just now and might prove valuable. The Masters' was a good preserving plum. But with this he feared many would have the experience of the last speaker, as thousands of trees had been sold for Masters' plum by parties who had but a few hundreds.

The SECRETARY asked if plum growers in Pictou were troubled with Black Knot and Curculio. If so, what means were adopted to prevent the ravages of these pests.

DR. MUNROE said we have both to perfection. Cutting down and burning the branches seemed the only effective remedy for the Black Knot. He had tried cutting out and rubbing with pork rind, and in some cases applied turpentine, but with unsatisfactory results.