

popular, but so variable in quality that I have thought there must be more than one apple in the markets under this name. Often its cavity is very shallow, and the stem like a peg that has been driven in, but this is not always so. Though fine-grained and juicy, it is sometimes woolly and flavorless, so that I cannot recommend it, in spite of its wide popularity in those cold climates.

SKLIANKA (*Steklanka Zelonka*). In this family there are some apples of the Rhode Island Greening type which promise to be very valuable.

Mr. Shroeder describes the S. Ostrovkaya, as a small conic green apple with a dull red side, long stalk and corrugated basin, good for cooking and dessert. It keeps till Summer, and is a good hardy Russian tree grown more in the south-west, a variety considered valuable by Mr. Shroeder. The S. Pestru, or Sandy Sklianka, Mr. Shroeder says is a sour cooking fruit of medium size, greenish yellow, with some red that keeps till or into Winter. We probably met with both these apples, and yet we cannot be sure.

At Volsk we saw trees of this Sklianka type, bearing profusely, and yet full medium in size; surely the fruit would be large when bearing in moderation. It was green, rarely with some red on one side, very firm, crude, acid, with some slight sweetness. The tree seemed quite hardy at Volsk, and there seemed no doubt as to its bearing or keeping qualities. I believe we saw this same fruit in the Saratof market.

The Zelonka Moldavka of Voronesh is an apple I wish to draw special attention to. The specimen we had was large and oblong, a solid apple with a texture somewhat like a Rhode Island Greening, firm, acid, with very little sweetness. We got it at Voronesh on 13th Sept., and this description was made when tasted at Warsaw on Oct. 4th. It had been kept in our apple bag but had not suffered. Mr. Fischer showed us trees which seemed hardy and healthy, the fruit has the points of a first-rate cooking apple, and is a fair eating apple, a variety of great promise.

Dr. Regel describes several varieties of Sklianka, among other the Sklianka Revalskaya, a yellowish fruit with a little red on one side, grown at Pskov, Petersburg, and other places, usually hardy,