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THE WILDER EARLY PEAR.



have already a good many fine summer pears, such as the Osband's Summer, the Summer Doyenne, the Rostiezer, the Beurre Giffard, the Tyson, Clapp's l'avorite and Bartlett, but, as with the old fashioned stage coach, so among us fruit growers, "there is always room for one more," providing it is of the right kind.

That the Wilder is a pear to make growers rich might easily be inferred from what its introducers say, but we always fear some weak point in each of these novelties until we have proved it does not exist. However, we speak with some confidence of this pear, and of the Idaho, which was figured in January, 1889, because of the statement of Mr. Vandeman, United States Pomologist, who says in the United States Report of the Department of Agriculture for 1888:—"There are several new varieties of this fruit coming into notice each year, and I have selected two of the best for illustration and special description." Then follows a description of the Wilder and of the Idaho.

The Wilder is a chance seedling, found growing in Chautauqua county,