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### ✦ Notes and Comments. ✦

THE WASHINGTON PLUM.—Mr. J. B. Patterson, Hamilton, sends us samples of a plum for name. They are probably Washington, one of the best of dessert varieties, but not productive enough for profit.

SOME LARGE PEACH ORCHARDS are reported by the Blenheim News, as being situated between Troy and Caledon Springs, aggregating in all about 10,000 trees in bearing. Dr. McCully thinks it quite as important a point for a peach experiment station as Leamington.

THE RUBY PLUM.—Mr. S. Hunter, Scotland, sends us (September 8th), samples of a seedling plum, which he says is a great bearer. He says it is an excellent variety for canning. The samples are a trifle larger than Lombard; the flesh is firm and rather dry; quality ordinary. It would be an excellent shipper.

A MAGNIFICENT PEACH ORCHARD.—One of the finest peach orchards in the Niagara District is owned by Mr. George Smith, the well-known breeder of Jersey cattle and Shetland ponies at Grimsby. Although only three years planted, the trees are as large as most six-year-old trees, and are loaded with Crawfords of the most magnificent size, and the highest color. These trees will probably average two bushels per tree, something unprecedented in peach culture. The explanation is the wonderfully fertile soil, enriched by constant manuring. The reason so many of our fruit growers are unsuccessful is, that they have too much land, and can neither cultivate nor fertilize it sufficiently to make it yield a paying crop.