

and a shade later in ripening. The Burnet has proved a fair grower, not too rampant, a moderate bearer, bunches and berry resembling the Isabella, but not quite so large, and liable to be interspersed with a few small, seedless berries. Its time of ripening is about the same as the Concord, and when fully ripe its flavour is delicious. The Prentiss, received in 1884, grew well that season, but was found dead next spring.

These are all received from the Association that I have to report on. I would only add that it is useless to plant grapes here that do not ripen with or before the Concord. They have all to be covered in winter.

If the correspondents of your excellent journal would be a little more particular in indicating their locality, it would add much to the usefulness of their experiences. For my own part, I have spent a good deal of money, time and labor in experimenting with apples, plums and grapes highly recommended in south-western Ontario, which are utterly worthless here.

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THE WEIGELA.

Referring to a note in your February number, the Weigela has grown and blossomed with me six or seven years without winter protection. R. LEES.

Wildwood, near Ottawa City.

The *Horticulturist* is a very welcome visitor here, and is always improving.

THE BURNET GRAPE, ETC.

As Mr. S. P. Morse gives some very good advice to the readers of your paper to send their experiences, also their successes and failures in all the different branches of horticulture, I will try in my humble way to contribute my mite, in the hope that others may do the same.

The Burnet grape has only had a few grapes on it once, as it kills down badly, but I shifted it to a more sheltered place last year, so I am in hopes it will do a little better. Moore's Early has not done very well, although it has not had a very good chance. The Ontario apple has done very well, and I am well pleased with the fruit. The original tree has been in bearing three years; besides, several grafts which I put on a Talman Sweet have been bearing two or three years. Fay's Prolific currant made good growth last season. The currant borer is pretty bad here, having killed a good many of our plants. We have had no reason to complain of the productiveness of most of the old varieties of currants, of which we have the common red and white, white grape and red cherry, which we think is very sour. We also have the Black Naples currant, which did middling so long as it got good care. Gooseberries do splendidly here when properly attended to, and the worms kept off with hellebore. Houghton's seedling has been very productive. We have two or three English varieties; also the Downing, which does very well. Peaches are a failure, except on very dry land, and sheltered. The common early cherry does very well, but if we want to get many we will have to grow enough for the birds and ourselves too. SAMUEL CARR.

Sarnia.

APPLES, PLUMS, GRALES, ETC.

I have never yet sent you any report of my plants received from the Association, but will endeavour to do so now. My first were a Wagner apple and McLaughlin plum. Through neglect the apple died last year, the borer having girdled it just at the collar, and being engaged in other work I neglected it. The plum is yet alive, and I esteem it very highly. I have some Wagners