

in the air, when we have a strong southerly wind from the ocean. Now I fancy that with my eyes shut, and by merely feeling of the leaf of an apple tree, I can pronounce whether it will succeed within the range of the ocean breezes or not, and it is a point that should be noted in the description of all varieties of apples what the leaf of the tree is like. Any one may confirm this, in the growing season, who lives near the sea coast. All the trees, and indeed all other vegetation, with thin, delicate foliage are blighted after a strong wind from the ocean, as if scorched by fire. No doubt a thick leaf implies a thick bark and other correlative, hardy organization, and no doubt also this is just one of those elementary facts in the experience of fruit growing, of which the publication of the materials accumulated by the F. G. Association would have advised us; it is the most important fact I know of in this connection, you might as well plant a bare pole or a granite post, with the expectation of its fruiting, as a *Tetofsky*, or any other thin-leaved tree, upon the sea coast. The few kinds that have so far proved successful upon the shore, named in the order of merit, are *Keswick Codlin*, *Duchess of Oldenburg*, *Wagener*, *Gravenstein*, *Northern Spy*, *Blenheim Pippin*, *Fall Jennetting* and *Golden Sweet*. The *Ontario*, fruited in 1881, also promises to do well. Of these, *Keswick Codlin* is by far the most valuable; it is an early, annual and abundant bearer, and the fruit is not surpassed by any other for cooking purposes; may be used in September and lasts through November. *Duchess of Oldenburg* is an early and a heavy bearer, but a poor keeper, and the tree has a serious defect in a peculiarity of growth; a weakness at the junction of the limb with the main branches and body of the tree owing to which a heavy crop strips the tree sometimes to a bare pole. *Wagener* is an abundant bearer and the fruit keeps until April or May. The *Wagener*, from the best fruit districts in Ontario, is not surpassed in quality by any apple that is grown anywhere, but the quality, as with many other varieties, varies greatly with soil and climate. *Grimes' Golden Pippin* is one of the most successful of the kinds grown inland; the tree is a strong, healthy grower, and an annual and abundant bearer, while the fruit brings the highest price in the market. This variety is also most successfully grown in Annapolis County, and the quality as grown there is not equalled by any other variety grown in that County, in the judgment of Yarmouth consumers. I am at a loss to understand why *Grimes' Golden* has

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