

past summer. A very early and warm spring, with plenty of moisture during the early summer, but hot and dry during most of August and September, all of which tended to bring the fruit on rapidly and ripen it prematurely.

I hoped to have been able to have given some statistics of the fruit shipment of the season, but failed to procure it in time for this meeting. I still hope to be able to lay it before the Association at the April session.

Pears were a fair crop and of good quality, flavour much superior to last year. Late pears were especially good in quality.

Plums were a short crop and ripened early, but the quality was very good.

Cherries were average crop and the quality very good, except where bitten by the curculio, which was very prevalent in some localities, and for lack of its favorite fruit, the plum, proceeded to attack the cherries.

I have thought it advisable to give the Association the result of some notes and observations on the success of some of the newer fruits during the season of 1889.

I presume that it may be owing to the abnormally hot dry weather during all the month of September, and the seasonable rains in October, but from whatever the cause it is the fact that several new sorts of apples have shown a wonderful advance in quality over former years. "Waugh's Gavenstein," if we could always rely upon its doing as well as it has done this year, would be well worth growing. "Grimes' Golden" has many good qualities, it is an early and constant bearer, and as the trees get aged the fruit seems to improve in size and colour; but it does not yet seem to take, in any of our markets. I have sent it to London several times, and although it sold at paying prices, the advice has always been don't send, we have no use for it. "Hurlburt."—This apple has done remarkably well this year, large, even-sized, bright red. Five trees eight years set, gave three barrels of No. 1's, and one barrel of No. 2's and windfalls. I think they will suit the London markets very well. "Long Stem."—Larger and handsomer than I ever before saw them; tree loaded with very even sized fruit. "Stark."—I think more highly of this apple every year, it will yet take a first place among our long keepers. It is a good, healthy, strong grower, bears early

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