

Mr. WRIGHT.—How does Mr. Gott keep his cabbages until April and May?

Mr. GOTT.—It is one of those methods used for generations past. A trench is prepared about the width of a spade and of the ordinary depth of digging; the cabbages are pulled root and branch and turned upside down in this trench. A little straw is then thrown over the cabbages and then the earth is thrown about it. In the spring they may be taken out in splendid form, and although the frost may get into it no harm is done.

GOOSEBERRIES.

Mr. GOVENLOCK (of Seaforth).—I have been very successful in gooseberries. I planted out a row of fifty some three years ago, and forty of them were Downing's, some Smith's Improved, and I think that I had a few Whitesmiths. Although a large nice looking berry, I do not think so much of the Whitesmith as Smith's Improved. The Downing is a splendid berry. I had an average of seven quarts per bush. Off some of the older ones I took twelve quarts, and I never saw a berry mildew. The Whitesmiths do not mildew, but they fall off a little. They are not as good a flavour as Smith's Improved. The only objection I have to Smith's Improved is, the branches are very weak and tender. They do not stand up so well as Downing's seedling, which I believe is the berry for this country. I have not grown the Houghton very much; but I have seen it grown in the village. It is a good berry; but it does not succeed very well. Our soil is clay.

Mr. GOTT.—In case of mildew have you tried any remedies?

Mr. GOVENLOCK.—I never had mildew on either of the first three that I mentioned.

Mr. HILBORN.—This year I fruited Smith's Improved, Downing, Whitesmith, Crownbob, Industry and Houghton. I think Smith's Improved is the most promising for our neighbourhood. It seems to be a good sized berry, fully hardier than the Downing and more plentiful. I also like the quality far better. I got the Whitesmith from three or four different parties. I met with persons in different parts who did not know the name of a good berry they had, and I took a bush. They were all the same. The Industry I cannot say much about. They only had a few specimens which were very fine, and quite similar to the Crownbob.

Mr. LITTLE (of Fish Creek).—I think I said that I did not care to handle the gooseberry much. I had some very good ones from Mr. Hilborn. They were the Whitesmith and the King Karl. They were of fine quality.

A. M. SMITH (of St Catharines).—I have grown one variety that was a seedling from Mr. Saunders. I have not much to say about them. We call them the Pearl. We grow them on sandy soil; but it was very poorly adapted to gooseberry growing, and last autumn I prepared a piece of soil with clay loam, and although they have done very well I have not had the fruit that I saw at the President's place last summer. It is evident that your ground is better than mine.

Mr. DEMPSEY.—I have some seedlings that are very promising. Among the varieties, however, that I have fruited, I have found none that sell as well as Smith's Improved and Downing's. We have several seedlings that are double the size of Smith's Improved and they appear to be prolific. Some I have fruited once, some twice and others three times. That is not a sufficient test. I propose trying planting on different soil.

ELECTION.

The Committee which had been appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year reported as follows:

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following nominations:

PRESIDENT,	- - - - -	WM. SAUNDERS.
VICE-PRESIDENT,	- - - - -	A. MCD. ALLAN.