

keeps till June, and is very saleable. The trees are heavy croppers, strong in growth and very thrifty, and were thought exceedingly hardy, but during the last five years the old ones (seventeen years planted) have shown tendency to sun-scald.

The FAMEUSE-BALDWIN, reported from Belocil, does not seem to be the same under another name.

4. BLUE PEARMAIN: This is a hardy tree but accounts vary as to its productiveness, being mostly unfavorable; some think heavy soils suit it. It was named twice only among the five best kinds for profit, and in both cases on gravelly loam mixed with clay. The apple itself is large and handsome, in no special demand in Montreal, but sells well in local markets.

5. BEN DAVIS: Reported very favorably from Huntingdon County, and a few other scattered places. It is a vigorous grower, and so hardy that it was used in Wisconsin to top-graft tender kinds on, but the severe winter of 1873 put a stop to this; it bears early and heavily, and though decidedly wanting in flavor, it is the market apple of North Illinois, and is placed on the commercial list of the North Western Societies. It does well in all soils, but with some change in the flavor of the fruit. It ships well and keeps till May.

6. JONATHAN: Is a beautiful, red, first quality dessert apple. Its size is medium, or below medium. In Huntingdon County, trees, seventeen years planted on exposed northern slopes, have proved hardy and productive and very profitable.

In Montreal in one instance it has done well, and should be grown there for home use, keeping as it does till May.

7. NORTHERN SPY: Spoken of favorably from Huntingdon County, where, upon unsheltered northern slopes, it proves hardy, and though late in coming into bearing, yet recommended for profit. Favorable reports also from Missisquoi and from the neighborhood of Lacolle.

In Montreal, both on exposed northern and on protected southern slopes, it is short-lived, and this, added to its tardiness in bearing, has condemned it. It has also proved tender in the nurseries at Montreal and at Abbotsford.

8. POMME GRISE: Spoken of in a few instances as a good bearer, but generally as a decidedly poor bearer even in cultivated orchards. Fruit said by some to be not equal in quality to what it used to be and in Montreal market is no longer saleable at extra prices, having been superseded by the larger russets. Plant sparingly and for home use only.

9. TOLMAN'S SWEET: Generally reported as hardy and productive here, as in the North Western and North Eastern States, though somehow it proved tender in the nurseries at Abbotsford. The fruit however, is not saleable in Montreal market.

10. RIBSTON PIPPIN: A few report favorably, but more quite the reverse, as to health and length of life of tree, and in some cases as to quality of fruit.

11. KING (OF TOMKIN'S COUNTY) has one firm friend and several enemies of valued judgment.

12. YELLOW BELLE FLOWER is hardy, fruitful and often satisfactory.

13. BALDWINS and RHODE ISLAND GREENLINGS and SPITZENBURGS have in many scattered instances done well in sheltered spots, surviving even the winter of 1858, yet on the whole are condemned by nursery men and orchardists, and in fact their continued importation has done immense damage to the fruit interest of our Province.

PROFIT.

BEST FIVE KINDS IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE

HUNTINGDON COUNTY reports Fameuse and Red Astrachan a tie; next to them are Duchess or St. Lawrence.

LACOLLE AND VICINITY: Fameuse first, unanimously; next, St. Lawrence, Red Astrachan, and, possibly Canada Baldwin.