

of finding in some new seedling points of passing merit is one that enthusiastic fruit growers alone can conceive; but the testing of these grapes was unlike the current run of human labor. It was rather Edenic refreshment, and following the example of him who first wrought in Eden, the Committee obtained the necessary assistance of the ladies, who determined that such treats hereafter should be frequent and at their own firesides.

The extreme earliness of Champion, kindly sent by Mr. Decker of Montreal, who there grows it for market, drew much attention; as did the fine flavor of pulpless Adirondac and aromatic Crevelling; Delaware, too, always suggestive of the fragrance of the sweet pea; also the extreme delicacy of Allen's Hybrid and Rebecca, and the fine muscat flavor of Lindley.

The following were the kinds exhibited:

Champion, Janesville (of Wis.), Hartford Prolific, Adirondac, Crevelling, Telegraph, Sweetwater, Rebecca, Allen's Hybrid, Delaware, Rogers No. 33, Lindley (Rogers No. 9), Agawam (Rogers No. 15), Concord, Wilder (Rogers No. 4), Iona, Black Cluster (?), Diana, Diana Hamburg, Royal Muscadine, Union Village and others. Also a grape of great promise from Mr. Morgan, of unknown name, and an Abbotsford wilding, sweet and good and suitable for covering arbors.

The display of Flowers was good, and the varied forms of floral designs showed much artistic merit and bore great credit to the ladies, who were the only competitors.

In Vegetables competition was strong and the assortment large and varied. In certain roots the blue clay flats excelled, while the lighter soils of our mountain slopes bore the palm in all else.

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We have now a central society, the Montreal Horticultural—local in name yet provincial in work. In the past Montreal horticulture has without doubt been greatly stimulated by her local society. The Society's new plan of work will still more intensify her local influence—will more widely diffuse her use-