

One of the most valuable of all autumn pears is the *Louise Bonne de Jersey*, or, as it is known in France and on the Continent of Europe, "*Bonne Louise D'Avrauche*." In North America succeeding over a larger area than any other variety of pear. It bears carriage well, *is easily marketed, and bears gathering at least a fortnight before it is ripe*. Rich, melting and buttery, it has become a general favourite. In bearing it is prolific, and gives a splendid return to the Horticulturist. The tree grows well, and forms a beautiful pyramid on the quince. We can conscientiously recommend this variety for cultivation to all pear growers.

The *Sheldon* and *Seckel* may be ranked together, just because they both begin with S. The *Sheldon* is by far the more profitable pear for the market, the *Seckel* standing first in point of excellence of flavour. The small size of the *Seckel* will always militate against it as a market fruit. *As an amateur fruit, it cannot be beat. Impossible.*

The *Sheldon* is a coarse fleshed but really delicious pear. It commands the market readily. People who have once bought it, desire the same variety again. We ought to add that it is extremely liable to blight, but for this drawback, few varieties could be cultivated that would be more remunerative.

EARLY WINTER PEARS.

At the head of this list deservedly stands the Honourable Marshall Pinckney Wilder's favourite pear, the *Beurre D'Anjou*, styled by the French "*Ne Plus Meuris*." Mr. Ellwanger, of Rochester, than whom there is no better judge of pears, says, in Ellwanger & Barry's Descriptive Catalogue of Fruits, "*One of the most valuable pears in the Catalogue*." This is no mean praise. Indeed, the pear speaks for itself. It requires only to be seen, to be appreciated. The fruit is often very large—always handsome, fine shape, buttery, melting, with sprightly vinous flavour. The tree is vigorous, largely free from blight, a good grower, and good bearer. Perhaps, I ought to bear the testimony, that *this variety keeps over a longer period than perhaps any other kind of pear*. It is classed as *late Autumn*, but in reality it keeps with a little care well into mid-winter. In size and quality, this sort is hard to beat. In any cultivated list, however small or large, it ought to have a foremost place.

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