

They were magnificent samples, and, arriving in Sidney about Christmas, just in mid-summer and before the early Australian apples were ready, they were sold as high as \$3.75 a bushel box! Unfortunately there was no cold storage on the Pacific steamers, so that only a part of the cargo arrived in good condition, and no further shipments will be made until we have steamers fitted for carrying them safely across the torrid zone.

The tree unfortunately only produces a good crop each alternate season, and sometimes, when soil conditions are unfavorable the apples are subject to warts and knots which mar its beauty.

The Cranberry Pippin was an accidental seedling on a farm near the Hudson river, in New York state, and seems to succeed best under conditions similar to those of its native place.

The fruit may be described as medium to large, roundish, oblate; skin smooth, yellow shaded and striped with two shades of red; stem slender, one one-eighth inches long, in deep cavity; calyx closed in a wide, wrinkled basin. Flesh white, firm, crisp, moderately juicy, sub acid. Quality, fair. Season November to February.

We have inquired of several readers of this journal as to the success of this apple in various parts, but find it very little known. The following are some of the replies:—

"The Cranberry Pippin is not grown as plentifully throughout these western counties as it should be considering its good bearing, keeping and shipping qualities. Being an apple of rather coarse texture it is more suited to the southern districts, where it grows to larger size than it does up this way; but the farther north I find it the crisper and better is its quality.

"I consider it a valuable apple for the southern and middle counties, but the tree will not do so well in the north. Here the tree is a fairly good bearer, but the fruit averages a little smaller than with you at Grimsby. "T. H. RACE, Mitchell."

"In reply to yours of yesterday, I have no knowledge of the Cranberry Pippin being grown in this district. I have never seen the apple or heard of anyone about here having it. The Baldwin does not do here and I presume the other is, if anything, less hardy. "C. L. STEPHENS, Orillia."

"Yours is just to hand regarding the Cranberry Pippin apple. It is not very extensively grown in this vicinity. I know of no reason why it should not be successfully grown here. I have seen a number of samples at our fall fairs that I considered fully up to the standard both in size and color. I consider it a most desirable variety to grow. "FRANK METCALFE, Blyth."

"The Cranberry Pippin has not been a success with me; it is very unproductive and drops early; but it is a profitable apple in many orchards in this locality, where the land had more clay than mine.

"Each alternate year it loads very heavily, and brings good prices. The trees attain good size and are healthy. On such ground it is a very profitable tree to plant.

"W. H. DEMPSEY, Trenton."

"The Cranberry Pippin is here to stay, being looked upon as one of our reliables, both as regards the tree and fruit. Upon all our variation of soil along the lake it thrives well and is reliable as a bearer, and I have heard the same verdict from those who grow it throughout this district. I hope to see it more generally grown.

"ALEX. McD. ALLAN, Goderich"

"The Cranberry Pippin is not much grown here. It is a fine robust tree, moderately productive, about like King, or rather better. Fruit blows off too easily. I don't think it will be extensively planted here.

"J. G. MITCHELL, Clarksburg."