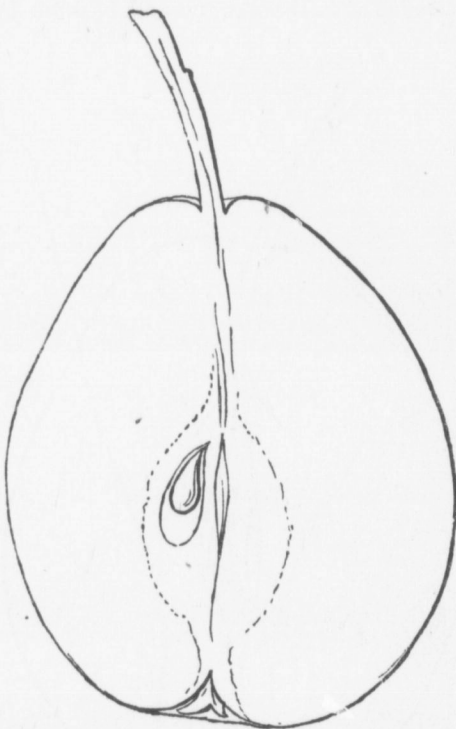


quality and shape it resembles its parent. This variety is remarkably hardy, and for this reason I call the particular attention of Canadian fruit growers to it. It is hardy as a standard, without any protection in Kirska, Orel, Tambov and Voronej. The winter of 1888 was very severe without snow, the thermometer reaching 40° below zero, F., injuring even the hardy Bessemianka, but the Beurre de Livonie was uninjured. The tree is a moderate grower; the buds are grouped on the ends of the twigs in clusters of five, so that the tree is very beautiful when in fruit. The fruit does not drop from the tree even when ripe. Altogether this tree combines so many excellent qualities that it will be one of the most highly valued in northern Canada.

4. Slutsk. This received its name from Slutsk in Minsk government, near which place it grows in large quantities. Its origin is unknown. Probably it is an acclimatized French variety, or a seedling of some foreign table pear. The fruit is of medium size, variable in form; the skin is green with carmine stripes on sunny side



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when taken from the tree, yellowing when ripe. The flesh is juicy, white, delicious. The fruit is good for use at the end of October, and keeps till April. The form of the tree is characteristic, growing very upright in conical form, with thick almost vertical branches. The trees grow very large and bear annually. In Chernigov it endures the cold without protection. Fruit growers in Russia are paying special attention to this new and comparatively little known variety.

5. Beurre Blumenbach (Soldat labourer). This variety is large, excellent in taste, and ripens late in the autumn. It is an annual bearer and a very productive pear and very hardy. I have old trees which are perfectly healthy.

6. Flemish Beauty (Fondante de bois). This is usually counted very hardy; at 22° below zero, F., of cold the tree does not suffer. I know that positively, but perhaps it might

endure much longer than every year productive.

7. N. our best variety agreeably tree is not Chernigov widely distributed.

8. Li. commended commercial orchard mushy taste fruit, notwithstanding quantity of in Poland, highly prized.

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