

3. **QUEEN'S CHOICE**: a great favorite in Stanstead and St. Francis Valley, being more reliable than the above in unfavorable places;—bears young and heavily, sells readily there; and, being firm in texture, keeps and ships better than the above.

4. **RED SIBERIAN**: the best for jelly and good for canning.

5. **MONTREAL WAXEN**: Jas. Dougall, of Windsor, Ont., says this tree is propagated in Ontario, under the name of Montreal Beauty; but the two may be easily distinguished as the growth of M. B. is *upright*, whereas the M. W. is a *spreading* and almost a *straggling* tree.

Some say this last is a heavier bearer than the M. B. and more profitable. The confusion of names may be the cause of this being placed fifth on this list.

6. **HYSLOP** keeps better, but does not bear as heavily as Transcendent; is very astringent, but is well thought of by some for its size and great beauty.

Montreal Beauty and Waxen sell in Montreal (when *hand-picked* not *shlelagh-picked*,) at from \$1.50 to 2.50 per bushel.

Of the prices of the others we cannot speak positively. The above are all Fall crabs, all sub-acid, and all astringent or "puckery."

Siberian crabs can be grown abundantly where other apples fail entirely; and we believe there exist species of every season and flavor and without astringency.

We earnestly hope that experiments will be turned in this direction, for the crabs (unless some day affected by blight as they have been in the west,) must become of the greatest importance to us.

### PEARS.

We give a digest of the experience of a few in Montreal. This differs *entirely* from our report on apples, as being merely a local experience. It should therefore be received *cautiously*, and we earnestly hope that the MONTREAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY will appoint *pear and plum committees*, and make out more thorough lists as a guide to future planters.

We may state that shelter by buildings, hedges, &c., is desirable, if not necessary; trees must not be forced either in nursery or orchard until in bearing. Mulching in the fall, necessary. Only upon these conditions can the following be recommended, and that not for profit.—