

Orange at 24s, and Gravenstein at 14s. sterling. Some No. 1, Extra Ribston Pippins, went as high as 28s. They report 2,052 more barrels of Nova Scotia apples to be sold on 25th November.

SCOTCH DICTIONARY.

The Editor acknowledges, with many thanks, the gracious gift of a Scotch Dictionary from Mr. John Croil. It is an old saw, that it is hard for old dogs to learn new tricks. He will study the dictionary with care, but fears that it is too late for him to acquire such a familiarity with this most beautiful language as to enable him to pass for a Scotchman. Thanks too, a thousand thanks, for the poems. Many of them are rich in beauty of thought and expression. We copy one for the benefit of our readers, who, though not Sons of Scotia, will not need the dictionary to appreciate its touching tenderness.

THE ROWAN TREE.*

Oh Rowan tree; oh Rowan tree, thou'lt aye be dear
to me,
Intwined thou art wi' mony ties o' hame and infancy.
Thy leaves were aye the first o' spring, thy flow'rs the
summer's pride;
There was na sic a bonnie tree in a' the countrie side.

How fair wert thou in simmer time, wi' a' thy clusters
white,
How rich and gay thy autumn dress, wi' berries red
and bright;
On thy fair stem were mony names, which now nae
mair I see,
But they're engraven on my heart, forgot they no'er
can be.

We sat aneath thy spreading shade, the bairnies round
thee ran;
They pu'd thy bonnie berries red, and necklaces they
strang;
My mither, oh, I see her stili; she smil'd our sports
to see,
Wi' little Jeanie on her lap, an' Jamie at her knee.

Oh, there arose my father's prayer, in holy evening's
calm,
How sweet was then my mother's voice, in the martyr's
psalm;
Now a' are gane; we meet nae mair aneath the Rowan
tree,
But hallowed thoughts around thee twine o' hame
and infancy.

* DICTIONARY.—Rowan tree, the Mountain Ash.

SMALL-FRUIT GROWERS' ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Small-Fruit Growers' Association of the Counties of Oxford and Brant will be held at Burford Village, County of Brant, on January 16th, 1885. All who are interested in fruit growing are invited to attend and take part in the discussion.

NEW MEAT CHOPPER.

Having used the meat chopper made by the Enterprise Manufacturing Company of Philadelphia, Penn., whose advertisement appeared in the December number, we take the liberty of calling the attention of those of our readers who have occasion to chop meat of any kind to this chopper. It is just complete in every respect, doing its work to perfection, simple in construction, easily kept clean, and a great saver of labor.

THE AMERICAN GARDEN.

It will interest all fruit, flower and vegetable growers to learn that the *American Garden* of New York has been sold to E. H. Libby, the well-known agricultural journalist. Established in 1872 as a quarterly, the *American Garden* has become a handsome monthly magazine, and a leader among horticultural publications. Under its new management it is an independent, illustrated, beautifully printed magazine, still ably edited by Dr. F. M. Hexamer and numbering as contributors many of the most successful fruit growers and gardeners in this and other countries. The coming volume will be greatly improved in many ways, and worthy of the earnest and hearty support of all who love fruits, flowers and nice gardens, and all who make a business of their culture. The price is only \$1 a year, including some choice