

look at. He had an idea that the frost affected the roots; I asked him to try that plan, and he has been very successful.

Dr. McDONALD (of Wingham).—I have had two trees in my garden for fourteen years, and they have grown splendidly until these last few years, during which they have done nothing. They are the Green Gage.

Mr. R. F. SIBBALD (of Bluevale).—All my plum trees are gone. I had Lombards, Green Gages and Bradshaws, and I got a tree from the Fruit-Growers Association by the name of Glass Seedling. I grafted two trees from it, and they are the only ones now alive.

Mr. GOVENLOCK (of Seaforth).—I have a few plums on an Imperial Gage tree, and it is the first show of fruit I have had on it for five years. It used to be one of my best bearers.

The PRESIDENT.—That is an unusual experience.

Mr. BEALL (of Lindsay).—As some gentlemen have spoken about Green Gages, I should like to know whether some of them are really not Gages, but green plums from seedlings.

The PRESIDENT.—I have a Green Gage tree I planted twenty years ago, and I think there have been plums on it for the last thirteen or fourteen years. It is very slow in growing, but it is a reasonable size, and bears very regular crops.

Dr. McDONALD.—Wouldn't you consider that my trees did well in bearing for twelve consecutive years?

The PRESIDENT.—Yes.

Mr. BEALL.—I did not want the Green Gage tree condemned for the faults of some other green plum.

The PRESIDENT.—It is a common thing to find an Imperial Gage under the name of Green Gage.

Mr. GOLDIE (of Guelph).—I have had a tree of the old English Green Gage for eight or nine years; but I had to cut it out this spring. The true Gage is a small, rather scrubby growing tree. It is short-jointed, and never grows tall. The fruit is about the size of marbles. I do not think any of them would be over an inch in diameter, and many of them rusty, like a russet apple. The majority of plums that pass for Green Gages, are not such at all.

Mr. A. M. SMITH.—Is there sometimes a little blush on the cheek?

Mr. GOLDIE.—A little; but chiefly rusty.

Mr. A. M. SMITH.—I notice that in judging fruit, Green Gages are quite frequently so named when there is not a genuine one on the table. Oftentimes the Imperial Gage is shown for it. The Imperial Gage is longer, and is mottled under the skin.

Col. MCGILL (of Oshawa).—I wish to corroborate what Mr. Goldie has said about the Green Gage tree. We get the fruit from it regularly, and what has been described, I think is the Imperial Gage.

Mr. HANNA (of Wingham).—I think that fast growing trees with soft wood are more liable to black knot. I should like to know if the Green Gage is liable to the black knot?

Col. MCGILL.—I have had a good deal of experience with plums, but I have never had any black knot from the Green Gage.

CHERRIES.

The SECRETARY.—This is a cold section of the country, and I should like to know whether they can be grown here?

Mr. HANNA (of Wingham).—There have been a great many planted here and in this neighbourhood; but we never find any coming into the market, or very few at least. It seems that there is something wrong with this section of the country. A great many trees do not bear. I have planted them, but never secured a crop. The kind I planted were a sort of purple coloured wild cherry, of very good quality.

Mr. YOUHILL (of Wingham).—I shall simply describe my own experience. I planted some trees that came from the neighbourhood of St. Catharines, but I find that it is a common Canadian cherry—a red one. It has done remarkably well with me. I have

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