

* Our Fruit Table. *

A Seedling Apple has been received from Mr. S. Greenfield, of Ottawa. says the tree is one of the hardiest he has in his garden, and it grows on heavy clay. The apple is very beautiful, about equal to the famous Gravenstein in appearance, and is very good in quality ; size large, measuring three by three and a quarter inches in diameter ; season, September and October. Possibly this apple would be of great value where the Gravenstein is too tender.

Fruit Samples Received.

Currants from F. W. Porter : Mount Forest, Victoria, White Grape, Red Dutch, Porter's Seedling, and other seedlings, all fine samples, but much bruised in transit. Date of receipt, August 18th.

Plums from A. M. Smith for name, medium size, dark blue. We do not recognize them. Mr. Cline thinks they are either Glass or Quackenbos, and under size on account of the dry season.

Two Seedling Peaches from B. R. Nelles, Grimsby. One is a cling stone, yellow fleshed, of very large size, resembling lemon cling, but very late, ripening about middle of October ; the other, a medium sized yellow peach, about the size of the Smocke, a free stone, of fair quality, ripening about the same time.

Canadian Grown Figs.—We have just received from the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, a package containing nine ripe figs, in excellent condition. They are of fine quality, and show what is being done in fruit growing under glass in Canada. At Niagara-on-the-Lake, one of the members of our Association ripens the fig out of doors. He cuts back the old wood every year to the ground, and lays down the young growth, and covers it with soil. In this way he grows a crop every season.

A Big Apple comes to hand from the Beaver Valley, grown by Mr. Andrew Thompson, near Clarksburg. The grower says it keeps till the last of March. It is about four inches in diameter, somewhat oblong in shape, ribbed, and crimson in color.

The Rochelle.—A hardy winter seedling apple, one sample of which comes to hand from R. J. Shepherd, Montreal. He writes : "The original tree is about eighteen years old, and grew from the root of root graft, set out in my nursery at Come, in 1877. It still remains where it first sprouted, having never been transplanted. The tree is to all appearances perfectly hardy, and bears abundantly every second year. Growth vigorous, spreading, like St. Lawrence. The terminal shoots large and well ripened every year. I am inclined to think this apple is a fairly good keeper, and judging from its fine coloring and good quality, it ought to be a good apple for export." The apple is very attractive, almost equal to Duchess, and if a good keeper and hardy, it may prove valuable. When tested we will report on the variety more fully.