

juicy, rich and sweet, ripens in September, keeps till October. A first-rate apple.

IV.—BOURASSA.

V.—CRAB APPLES—Two varieties of good quality.

The above is the experience of those who have planted for the last sixty years, and after careful examination of these orchards and comparing them with orchards of the same age, even in Western New York, where the soil and climate are both superior to ours, I find the trees as healthy, though not so large, and the percentage of decayed trees is not much larger here, where trees are not planted too close.

What has been the result of the plantations made in the county for the past twenty years?

Trees have been bought largely from nurseries in Montreal, St. Catharines, Ont., Rochester, N. Y., and from my small nursery, with very little success to the purchasers generally.

I ascribe the cause of failure to the bad selection of varieties, planting in old orchards without renovating the used up soil, planting without care, and ignorance of the remedies for the diseases of trees.

Those who planted in proper soil, made good selections of trees, and took intelligent care of their trees, have succeeded well with the following varieties in the following order:

I.—DUCHESS OF OLDENBURG.

II.—FAMEUSE.

III.—ST. LAWRENCE.

IV.—TRANSCENDENT CRAB.

V.—RED ASTRACHAN.

The apple borer has done a great deal of damage for the last fifteen years in this county. It was unknown before, and must have been imported with nursery trees.

II.—PLUMS.

This fine fruit is cultivated in the county with profit—more so than the apple, particularly two varieties, under the names of Large White Imperial and Damas Blue.

They are very hardy, bear young and abundantly. Fruit of good quality, maturing two weeks later than the Reine Claude.