

market demands a dark-colored cherry ; its value is higher than any sweet white cherry. The Windsor ripens at the time people want cherries. It is large in size, hard in flesh. Take a large one and you can take three or four bites out of it before you digest it. In 1898 the net price received per pound was ten cents, and in 1899 twelve cents a pound. I undertake to say that there is no cherry, as a market cherry, at the present time, that equals the Windsor.

Mr. Geo. T. Powell—Mr. Willard has left out one of the most valuable features of this of this fruit. He speaks of the value of the fruit, all of which I indorse, but he has not mentioned the exceedingly valuable quality of the tree. It is one possessing unusual resistance to disease. It is a very strong tree, constitutionally. Some of our cherries, the Black Tartarian or Black Eagle, are difficult to raise ; it is impossible to get an orchard to stand. They will grow two or three years and then are attacked by disease, and by five or six years you have a badly broken orchard. The Windsor cherry will stand side by side with the Black Tartarian, and when that goes out the Windsor shows no evidence of disease. Therefore, I prize in the Windsor cherry its ability to resist disease.

A member—What time does it ripen ?

Mr. Powell—In eastern New York it begins to ripen about the sixth to the tenth of July ; perhaps a little later in western New York.

*Is there any other new cherry of promise, commercially ?*

Pres. Barry—The Bing is a new one. Has any one tried it ?

Mr. Willard—Yes, sir ; I have tried it. The cions were sent to me from Oregon. I

have had it for three years, and it is one of the most beautiful and excellent cherries in every respect. It resembles the Windsor, but is a little larger. Some of them had a circumference of three to three and one-half inches, by actual measurement. I was so interested in fruiting the cherry that I referred to some works I had from the state of Oregon, and found it noted as one of the most promising new cherries they had seen, and I think it will bear out everything said about it there. I think a man who has that and the Windsor ought to be happy.

Prof. Van Deman—What is the best sour cherry ?

Mr. Willard—I think the Montmorency Ordinaire the best and most profitable sour cherry we have at the present time. The English Morello is also good.

*Are there any new peaches of special value for the orchardist ?*

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Mr. Anderson—I have a few trees ; got the buds in Canada. Last year we picked the first fruit, which proved to be insignificant. This year the same trees fruited finely.

Q. How does its size compare with the Early Crawford ?

A. It is not quite as long, but is a good, fine-sized peach.

Q. What is its season for ripening ?

A. I think a little later than the Crawford.

Mr. Willard—I saw it on Mr. Morrill's place, in Michigan, and it was very satisfactory. I have it growing, but have not yet fruited it. In hardiness of bud it is excellent.

Mr. C. K. Scoon—As to quality, I would say that it is more than good, it is superb, and equal to Late Crawford.

(To be continued.)