

ISABELLA.

Mr. Campbell.—It sometimes freezes down, can't say that I have seen any ripe in Canada, it colors long before it ripens; it is a free grower and abundant bearer.

Mr. Murray.—It ripens in favourable seasons, but is not to be depended on.

Mr. McNab.—It is not worth while to trouble with it at Hamilton, some of the seedlings from it ripen about 25th Sept., but they require good cultivation.

Mr. Alex. Leslie.—It ripens pretty well at London, but is improved after a little frost, it mildews as bad as any.

Mr. Arnold.—It always colors with me, (Paris) but only in one or two seasons have I known it to get ripe.

Mr. Beadle.—On the gravelly soil of St. Catherines it generally ripens, but in less favored positions in my vicinity it very frequently fails to do so.

Mr. Geo. Leslie.—It is an old favorite in Toronto, and on the whole is one of the best we have; it ripens if the frosts keep off; shelter and situation are everything; the wood is rather tender.

CATAWBA.

Mr. Campbell.—Has never seen any ripe in Canada.

Mr. Murray.—Thinks he saw some ripe this season, but that it is not suited to Canada.

Mr. McNab.—Will not often ripen in Canada, except in the extreme south end.

Mr. Alex. Leslie.—Does not ripen at London.

Mr. Arnold.—Is not worth cultivating, have rarely seen it colored even at Paris.

Mr. Beadle.—It ripened in St. Catherines once in many years, and that only in favourable locations.

Mr. Geo. Leslie.—Too late in ripening for Canada generally.

SWEET WATER.

Mr. Campbell.—Is tender, very subject to mildew, not a good bearer, ripens some seasons.

Mr. Murray.—Should be planted only in the gravelly.

Mr. McNab.—Have had it 18 years, never ripened more than a few bunches.

Mr. Alex. Leslie.—Have tried it for 6 years, but never had any fruit.

Mr. Freed.—Had some fine fruit last year, but have seen it mildew badly this same season on older plants.

Mr. Luining.—It is too tender for out-doors.

Mr. Arnold.—Have not found it more liable to mildew than other varieties, it bears good crops every year with me.

Mr. Holton.—It is quite too tender.

Mr. Beadle.—Have long ago discarded it as comparatively worthless.

Mr. Geo. Leslie.—If kept free of mildew it ripens very well, but it is tender, and requires a good aspect and careful protection.

NORTHERN MUSCADINE.

Mr. Arnold.—It is as hardy as the Clinton, have not yet seen any mildew on it, while other varieties around it were all mildewed, the berry is of good size, though very liable to drop from the bough as soon as it is ripe, bunch small, flavor sweet, very musky, ripens as early as the Isabella.

HARTFORD PROLIFIC.

Mr. Murray.—Is one of the earliest grapes, next to the Delaware in flavor, berry and bunch above medium size, a strong grower, very hardy, ripens about the 1st September; berries are apt to drop from the bunch.

Mr. Arnold.—Is the earliest American grape I have, a good grower, hardy, flavor about equal to the Concord or a well ripened Isabella.

Mr. Holton.—Have found the vine perfectly hardy, a good grower, have not yet fruited it.

Mr. Beadle.—An excellent variety, that promises to ripen well in a large part of Canada, earlier than Concord and nearly, but not quite, equal to it in flavor; perfectly hardy thus far, for the past winter unharmed when an Isabella to the side of it was cut down to the ground.

Mr. Geo. Leslie.—One of the most promising grapes we have, earlier than the Concord and superior to it in flavor.

PROTECTING GRAPE VINES.

Mr. Brennan.—Recommend that all grape vines be covered to protect them from injury by rapid thawing and freezing, use coarse litter from the stable, only a light covering.

Mr. McNab.—Uses evergreen branches and corn-stalks.

Mr. Geo. Leslie.—A light covering of earth.

Mr. Freed.—Would use some clean material, have found material from stable to cause mildew in the wood.

Dr. Hurlburt.—Covers with boards.

Mr. Arnold.—I use pea straw, cover lightly with earth.

Mr. Beadle.—Where snow lasts all winter, merely laying them on the ground so that it will be covered with snow, will be quite sufficient.

On motion of Dr. Hurlburt, seconded by Mr. Freed, it was *Resolved*, that this association commends that all varieties of the grape be laid down and protected by a light covering during the winter and early spring.

On motion of D. W. Beadle, seconded by Mr. Holton, *Resolved*, That this association recommends the following varieties of grape as giving promise of being better adapted to the climate and soil of Canada than any other with which we are acquainted; viz., Hartford Prolific, Concord, Diana, Delaware and Rebecca.

On motion of W. Holton, seconded by J. Campbell, *Resolved*, That this Association commends the Clinton grape as well adapted