HERITAGE APPLES of SOUTHWESTERN B. C.

(do you know of any?)

As early as 1855, apple orchards were planted in the vicinity of Victoria, and elsewhere on Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands. Also, some apples were planted as single trees to supply fruit for farm families. Many old apple trees still exist on subdivided properties that were once part of an old farm or orchard. Listed below are some of the more common varieties that were grown locally a hundred years ago.

We wish to photograph these and any other old apples if you are confident of their identity. If you have or know of any old varieties, please let us know. We have pictures for those shown with a tilde (~), but in many cases we would like verification.

A couple of the objectives of this project are, one; to produce a colour photo album for easier identification of the many old apples visitors bring to our shows, and two; to document the existing heritage apples of Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands.

~Alexander, Emperor (1,5,6,7,9,12)

(American Pippin) (3)

~Astrachan, Red (1,3,4,5,6,7,11,12)

~Astrachan, White (8)

~Baldwin (1,2,3,5,6,7,9,11,12)

Barcelona Pearmain (1)

Baumann's Reinette (12)

Baxter's Pearmain (11) Beauty of Kent (1)

Beauty of Bath (12)

~Belle de Boskoop (7,12)

Belmont

~Ben Davis (1,7,9,12)

Bismarck (Bismark) (Bismark) (10,12)

(Black Ben Davis) (12)

Black Gilliflower (8)

Blacktwig (5)

~Blenheim Orange (1,6,9,11,12)

~Blue Pearmain (1,3,6,7,9,11,12)

~Bottle Greening (1)

Bramley (Bramley's Seedling (12)

~(British Columbia) (1,5,7)

Buckingham (The Queen)

~Canada Red (1) ~Canada Reinette

(British Columbia) (5,7,9,12)

Cellini Pippin (9,12)

Charles Ross (12)

~Cox's Orange Pippin (1,7,12)

~Devonshire Quarrenden (8,12)

Drap D'Or (2)

Duchess of Oldenburg (1,5,7,9,10,12)

(Dumelows Seedling) (6) Dutch Mignonne (11)

~Early Harvest (1,2,11)

Early Pennock (11) (Early Ripe) (1)

Early Rivers (12)

Early Russian (1)

~(Emperor Alexander) (5)

Esopus Spitzenburg (1,2,3,7,9,11,12)

Fall Beauty (11)

~Fall Pippin (Holland Pippin) (1,11)

~ Fallawater (Tuipahocken) (1,3,4)

~ Fameuse (Snow) (1,7)

Gano (Black Ben Davis) (7,12)

Gennet Moyle (3)

~Gloria Mundi (1,3,5,11,12)

Golden Noble (6)

~Golden Russet (1,7,9,12)

Golden Russet, English (6)

(Graham Royal Jubilee) (12)

~Gravenstein (1,3,5,7,9,10,11,12)

Greenup's Pippin (American Pippin)

~Grenadier (8)

~Grimes Golden (1,7,9,10,12)

(Haas) (1,6)

Hightop Sweet (Sweet June)

~ (Holland Pippin) (1)

Hubbardson Nonsuch (1)

Irish Peach (6)

Jennetting, Fall (3) (Jersey Sweet) (12)

Jonathan (1,7,9,12)

~Keswick Codlin (1,5,12)

King of Pippins (1,6) ~King ofTompkin County

(1,6,7,9,10,11,12)

~Lady (Api) (2,6)

Late Strawberry (1)

Lawyer (7)

~Lemon Pippin (1,4,9,12)

(Lievland Raspberry) (12)

Little Romatic (3)

Lord Derby (6)

Lord Suffield (12) Lowland Raspberry (Lievland

Raspberry)

~ Maidens Blush (1,7,12)

~Mann (1)

Missing link (12)

Monmouth Pippin (Red Cheek

Pippin) (11)

~McIntosh Red (7,12)

~Meldrum Beauty (8)

(Montreal) (1)

Montreal Beauty (1)

Mother (12) (Napoleon) (12)

~Newton Pippin (Yellow Newton

Pippin) (2,3,9)

Newtown Spitzenburg (Vandevere)

Norfolk Beefing (6)

~Northwestern Greening (8)

~Northern Spy (1,2,7,9,11,12)

~Ontario (1,12) Orange Pippin (1)

Ortley (11)

~Peasgood Nonsuch(8,12}

~Pewwaukee (1,5) Porter (1,11)

Rambo (3)

Rathe Ripe (Early Ripe)

~Red Beitigheimer (6,9,12)

(Red Cheek Pippin) (1,3,7,12)

Red June (1,3,6) (Red Streak) (1) ~Rhode Island Greening

(1,2,3,9,11,12)

~Ribston Pippin (1,5,9,12)

Rome Beauty (7,12) Roxbury Russet (1,5)

Royal Jubilee (Graham Royal Jubilee)

St. Lawrence (Montreal) (7)

Salome (1,7,9,12) Smith's Cider (1) ~(Snow) (1,7,12) ~Spokane Beauty (8,10) Spurious Yellow (3)

Stark (1,7,9,12) Strawberry Pippin (1)

Summer Hagloe (11) Summer Queen (1,2,11)

Sutton's Beauty (12) Swaar (3,6,11)

Sweet Bough (1,12) (Sweet June) (11) (Sweet Pearmain) (2)

Sweet Winesap (Sweet June)

Tetofsky (1) (The Queen) (12)

~Tolman Sweet (1,3,7,12)

~(Tulpahocken)

~Twenty Ounce (1,11,12)* ~Twenty Ounce Pippin (5,9)* ~

Vanderpool Red (Vandevere) (7) Virginia Greening (3) ~Wadhurst Pippin (8) Wagener (Wagner)

(Wagner) (1,7,12) Wallbridge (Red Streak) (1,6)

Warner's King (6,12) (Waxen) Belmont (1,3,11) ~Wealhy (1,5,6,7,9,10,12)

Wellington (Dumelows Seedling) (6)

Westem Beauty (1)

~Westfield Seek~no~Further (1,3,6,11)

White Sweet (1) White Winter Pearmain (1,3,6,11)

Whitney's Seedling (1)

Williams Favorite (12) Winesap (3,7,11) «not Stayman

Winesap»

~Winter Banana (7,10,12)

Winterstein (12) Wismer's Dessert (12) ~Wolf River (1,6,9,12)

~Yellow Bellflower (4,7,9,10,11,12)

~(Yellow Newton Pippin) (12)

~Yellow Transparent (1,5,7,10,12)

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