

Comments on Varieties

Mr. J. M. Elliott



J. M. Elliott spent his Saturdays at Altamira, his orchard in North Whittier Heights, working on the care, observation, and development of the varieties entrusted to his care by the Government. The notes given here were taken down by Geo. B. Hodgkin, October 12, 1929.

Cantel: One of the best fruits and a heavy bearer. Season from August to September. Skin very thick.

Cabnal: Good fruit. Trees inclined to overbear and die but probably getting over that inclination. Trees on Altamira now doing better than previously. Skin is very thick.

Mayapan: The best bearer of any of them. Inclined to have dark specks where fiber shows and an exceedingly hard shell.

Nabal: Bears early and reasonably well. Uniformly from year to year. One of the best fruits. Season about June, July and August.

Kanan: Good fruit. All ripens at once and starts to drop heavily.

Benik: One of the best. Bears heavily. Usually May and June.

Panchoy: Rather late coming into bearing but a heavy bearer. Fair plus quality fruit. Hangs on well. Season: August, September, October. Medium oil content.

Coban: The very finest fruit. Rather light bearer.

Galloupe: Good fruit. Fair bearer. Good keeper.

Ishim: Irregular bearer. Not very heavy. Quality. Fair-plus.

Kanola: Fair quality and a fair bearer.

Kashlan: Good fruit. May, June, and July.

Nimlioh: Fair bearer. Good fruit. Excellent keeping.

Stephens Choice: Regular bearer. Holds on well. Good fruit.

Tumin: Not especially good fruit. Only a fair bearer.

Practically all the other fruits on Mr. Elliott's place have not either produced heavily enough to warrant an opinion or are not considered to be good by Mr. Elliott.

Mr. Elliott suggests that it would be a good idea to put in boxes of thick-skinned fruit a special notice to the trade and their customers, calling their attention to the fact that this fruit is very thick-skinned and must be cut before it gets too soft.