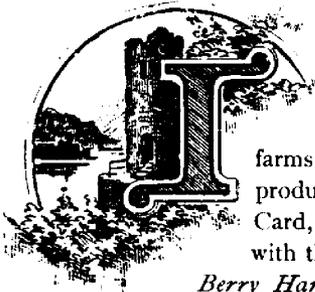


## BLACK RASPBERRIES AS A FARM MARKET CROP.



IN a recent bulletin from the Cornell Experiment Station, there is a very interesting discussion of the subject of growing black raspberries on farms where they may readily be evaporated, and the product sold at a fair price. The author, Mr. Fred. Card, refers to some important points in connection with the work, as follows:

*Berry Harvester.*—The advent of the berry harvester makes it possible to conduct berry farming in remote locations. Without this implement, the evaporator is just as dependent on location as the grower who sells fresh fruit, for it is only in the vicinity of towns of considerable size that pickers can be secured in sufficient numbers to make a safe business in small-fruit growing.

*Varieties.*—The variety chiefly grown for evaporating purposes throughout the great evaporating sections of Central and Western New York is the Ohio, yet it is by no means certain that this is the best. With a few of our best growers, the Gregg is coming to supplant the Ohio, and where it proves to be hardy, it is a more desirable variety to grow, especially if picking by hand is practiced, for



FIG. 418.—BERRY HARVESTER.

the large, firm berries are much preferred by pickers. They adhere to the bushes more firmly than most other varieties, and some growers do not find it satisfactory to gather them with the harvester; others, however, do gather them successfully in that way. The variety does not prove so universally hardy and satisfactory as the Ohio.