Summer Pruning

HAVE sprayed my currants for the currant worm," said Mr. A. W. Peart, of Burlington, to a representative of The Canadian Horticulturist, who visited his place recently, "and am practicing thorough cultivation, which should be kept up until the fruit is almost ripe. This cultivation must cease when the fruit shakes off readily. Blackberries also must be well cultivated throughout the season.

"About the middle of July I shall do the summer pruning. Young canes are cut off so as to leave them three or four feet high, depending on the habit of growth and the sturdiness of the cane. This pruning makes the cane tree-like and strong to resist winds and storms. None of the laterals will be cut back until next March.

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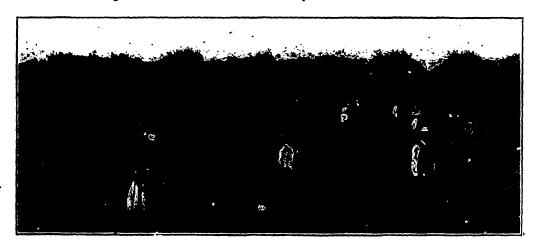
"When pruning grapes in summer the clusters of the fruit must not be exposed too much to the sun, as that delays ripening. About the middle of July or perhaps later the ends of long shoots should be removed to throw the strength from the wood to the

fruit, but there is an ideal medium which should be struck.

"As soon as the young grapes have set I intend to start spraying with Bordeaux mixture to try to prevent the rot which gives grape growers so much trouble. It is practically impossible to control rots, moulds and scab if the weather is damp and warm. However, I am going to give three or more applications of the Bordeaux."

The Strawberry Patch

66 THE Williams strawberry," said Mr. Wm. Fisher, of Freeman, to The Horticulturist recently, "has been giving me the best returns each year. I usually have seven or eight acres in this crop and have set out Williams, Sample and Senator Strawberries should Dunlap this season. be set out as early in May as weather will They should be thoroughly cultivated every week through the early part of The hoe, too, should be used frequently to keep all weeds out of the rows. The blossoms should be clipped off the first season so that good strong plants may develop.



Mr. Sherrington's Berry Field.

This illustration represents the raspberry patch of Mr. A. E. Sherrington, who conducts the fruit experimental station at Walkerton. The principal variety grown is the Cuthbert. Mr. Sherrington considers it the best for his section for home or market. The berry bushes are used as fillers in his experimental apple orchard. The old apple orchard appears in the background.