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THE JEWELL STRAWBERRY.

Through the courtesy of Messrs. P. M. Angur & Sons, of Middlefield, Conn., we are enabled to present our readers with a colored plate of this new candidate for popular favor. The history of the origin of the Jewell is given us by the Messrs. Angur as follows:—In the month of June, 1880, they brought from New Jersey a quart of very fine berries of the Jersey Queen, and, another of the Prince of Berries, and sowed the seed in the open ground. The next year they transplanted the seedling plants obtained from this seed into a heavy, clay loam soil, and gave them ordinary cultivation. These seedlings fruited in 1882, and this one manifested great vigor and productiveness, yielding large berries, which maintained their size throughout the season.

They then took plants from the heavy clay loam, and planted them on the lightest soil on their farm, which they regarded as going from one extreme to the other in point of soil. On this light land, they state, that in 1883 they picked from a single row, sixteen feet long, over twenty quarts of choice fruit.

The color of Jewell, we are told, is

a bright red, changing to crimson when fully ripe; and the quality very good to best. The shape conical, often wedge-shaped; seldom flat or coxcombed. The berries are said to be firm, and therefore carry well; the blossoms pistillate, that is, not self-fertilizing. The season of ripening medium to late.

The *Rural New-Yorker* of last year says: "The plants are unusually vigorous and productive as judged from this imperfect test of spring set plants. Each plant averaged from two to three fruit stems, each bearing from six to thirteen berries of goodly size. There are no small ones. The shape is sometimes conical, sometimes broadly ovate, broadened at the tip. The color is a bright red, the season (time of ripening) medium, quality fair." In the number of 11th July, 1885, the *Rural New-Yorker* further says: "Last year the *Rural* said that the Jewell strawberry has come to stay; this season's experience does not change our opinion."

Mr. T. S. Gold, Secretary of the Connecticut Board of Agriculture, says: "The fruit, as produced on my few plants, was of the largest size, fine color, and of excellent quality."

Mr. T. T. Lyon received some plants