

country, and the manufacture of it into syrup and sugar. It will be found of great value to those who feel interested in experimenting in the production of syrup and sugar from sorghum.

TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN, 1882.—This is one of the most important of the reports which we receive. This year it is a volume of over four hundred pages, full of practical matter of great value, ably edited by the secretary, Chas. W. Garfield. Some half dozen copies are for distribution to those of our members who apply for them to the editor of the *Can. Horticulturist*.

AGRICULTURAL RETURN OF THE BUREAU OF INDUSTRY FOR MAY, 1883.—This is a digest of the reports received at the Bureau regarding the present appearance of the crops of fall wheat, winter rye and clover, and gives information regarding the surplus of last year's crop still in the farmers hands, the condition of live stock, of fruit trees, and progress of spring work.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRIMSBY FRUIT GROWERS' ASSOCIATION.—This pamphlet of sixteen pages contains the papers read at the meeting of this Association, with the discussions thereon; it gives the experience of the members with apple, pear, plum, peach, and small fruits.

THE GRASSES OF TENNESSEE. By J. B. Killbrew, M.A.—This is a pamphlet of about one hundred and forty pages, replete with information upon meadow grasses, pasture grasses, and the management of meadows in the State of Tennessee.

THE ACADIAN SCIENTIST, Edited by E. J. Pineo, Wolfhill, Nova Scotia, is published in the interest of the Acadian Science Club, at thirty-five cents per annum. As its name indicates, it is devoted chiefly to Botany and Zoology.

THE BIOGRAPHER is published at 23 Park Row, New York. Devoted to short mention of the leading men of the present day, together with their likeness taken from photographs. Subscription \$2 50 per year.

THE BRIGHTON GRAPE.

At the meeting of the Western New York Horticultural Society, the Brighton grape received high commendation. Vines set at Fredonia have proved so profitable that 20,000 more of this sort will be set this spring. It is said to be a week earlier than the Concord and equal to the Catawba in quality. Its great fault is a tendency to overbear, which renders the fruit insipid, which accounts for the unfavorable reports from some places.—*Michigan Farmer*.

The Editor of the *Canadian Horticulturist* has not found the Brighton equal to the Catawba as grown on the Lake Erie Islands, but it is an excellent grape, ripening a little earlier than Concord, and much superior in quality. It should be used when ripe, as it loses instead of gaining in quality by hanging long on the vine after it is ripe. This variety succeeds well at Trenton.

APRICOT-GROWING IN CALIFORNIA.

The *Wine and Fruit Grower* says:—We learn from the Marysville *Appeal*, that apricot orchards are the rage in its immediate section. The last season, trees three years old paid ten dollars to the tree. The *Appeal* adds its testimony to the fact that there is not the slightest danger of overdoing the business, as the canneries can handle all the fruit that can be produced. It is stated that some of the farmers in the vicinity of Berryessa, located on what they have recently learned to call apricot lands, are preparing to engage extensively in fruit culture. Thousands of apricot trees are to be set out on lands heretofore "wasted" on grain culture.