



Strawberries—Sharpless, (natural size)

plum st rivels and falls prematurely; but plums, stung after they have attained their full growth and commenced the ripening process, rot and form a fungus growth which readily spreads from one to the other by the slightest touch. I would like to have others look into this theory, and report upon it after careful observation. All fruit affected with the rot should be gathered and destroyed, as it is filled with spores that will spread and affect healthy fruit. In the spring also the trees should be well washed so as to destroy spores that stick to the limbs. Any alkaline wash will do.

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## HORTICULTURE.

### *Exhibition of the Montreal Horticultural Society.*

The display of flowers, fruits, and vegetables at the Skating Rink, on the 16th, 17th, and 18th of September, was as good as could be expected. The difficulties under which the Society labours as regards the season of the year when its annual show takes place are numerous. First, we may reckon the impossibility of tomatoes and late apples being ripe at the same time; rain too, always to be expected towards this month, damages some flowers, and softens some promising vegetables; whilst the bulk of the melon crop has been already