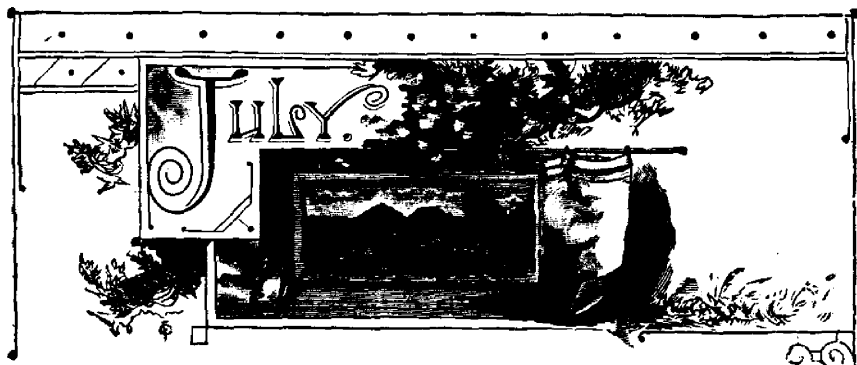


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THE WRAGG CHERRY.



THE WRAGG CHERRY, a colored plate of which we present to our readers this month, comes to us from the State of Iowa. It was at first supposed to be of Russian origin, but this is uncertain. President Lyon, of Michigan, has had it under test there and says he thinks it is probably an unrecognized old variety.

Mr. L. Watrous, of Iowa, says of it, that it is so nearly identical with the English Morello that it is hardly distinguishable from it; but that it exceeds that variety in hardiness, as tested in that State. This cherry has its name from J. Wragg, of Waukee, Iowa, who accidentally met with the cherry in the western part of the State, where it was locally known to be a very productive variety. At first Mr. Wragg took it for the English Morello, growing on its own roots; but, on further examination, he became satisfied that it was not that variety. Procuring some young trees he sent them to the Iowa Experiment Station for trial, and they were reported as very hardy, and a valuable acquisition.

Description: Tree vigorous with an open spreading top, like the Early Richmond, but with dark colored bark like the English Morello; leaf large and thick, late bloomer. Fruit medium to large in size, liver color and with colored juice; seeds small; stem long; unsurpassed for cooking, but too acid for eating fresh.