


commended by some for an early variety, but with me has not been enough earlier to make it any object. Fruit good and fair size, but will not produce half as much as the Wilson.

If the hill system is desired, the rows may be $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet apart, and the plants are set out 20 inches from each other in the rows, allowing each plant to strike a runner between leaving the plants ten inches asunder in the rows. If the horse hoe and cultivator is used, a greater distance between the rows will be required. My experience is that these implements disturb the roots of the plants too much, and that the hand hoe should be substituted in their place.

The Triomphe will hardly be successful under any other than the hill system; they stand the drought well, and with me are quite hardy. The Wilson will exhaust themselves in one season whatever system is adopted, which is no objection with me, as I prefer to start a new plantation every year. I have planted the Wilson in rows 5 feet apart, and set the plants 2 feet asunder in the rows, allowing the runners to take possession of the ground, except an alley between the rows. Where the soil is heavily manured and deeply worked, a large crop may be obtained. Mulching should be done in the fall, and may remain on till the crop is gathered. Straw is the best protection, but must be thrashed clean. I have seen crops nearly ruined from scattering seed. Declare war against all weeds, work the soil deep and manure well, and success is certain.—*Country Gentleman.*


GARDENING BY THE LADIES.

 CORRESPONDENT of the London Cottage Gardener, describing the residence of Mr. Justice Haliburton, the "Sam Slick" of literary notoriety, says:

I paid a visit to these gardens about a year since, on the occasion of a fancy fair for some charitable purpose, and never do I remember to have seen bedding done so well, or so choice a collection of plants brought together in a place of so limited an extent. I was given to understand by a florist of some celebrity who was present, that the arrangements of the beds and the selection of the plants were in the hands of the lady occupier herself. The taste for the harmonizing of colors I consider natural in all women of refined education, only unfortunately many of them display their taste in decorating themselves more than

ornamenting their gardens. But if ladies were to follow gardening more usually than they are apt to do, how much oftener we should see the cheek resemble the rose in place of the lily; and how soon also we should perceive the lighter tints made use of in decorating the inside of the bonnets. They would soon be aware that glaring coloring was not suited to their complexions so well as the more subdued shades. Moreover, God has given us health that we may enjoy the blessings He sends; and depend upon it that where a lady gardener resides, it is there the physician's carriage seldom stops.

OUR LEADING NURSERYMEN.

 MONG the Nurserymen in Rochester the firm of ELLWANGER & BARRY take the lead. In fact, they are the largest Nurserymen in the United States, and their trade amounts to hundreds of thousands of dollars annually. They commenced business in a small way, and by giving it their personal attention, added to shrewd, careful management, they have reached an enviable position among the business men of the city. Both have built palatial residences, and they conduct their business with a wise liberality that insures its success. They have about 500 to 600 acres of ground covered with every kind of fruit and ornamental tree. They employ a small army of men. Their trees are finely grown, and are sold over a wide range of territory. Their nurseries are located near Mount Hope, and are visited annually by thousands of people.

Frost & Co., of the Genesee Valley Nursery, have also a large nursery, embracing between three and four hundred acres. They do an extensive business, and ship trees to Canada and every portion of the United States. This firm employ a large force, and rank high among the nurserymen of the country.

We give below a list of the principal Nurserymen of Rochester and vicinity, and the number of acres they are reputed to have under cultivation for the growth of nursery trees and stocks:

Samuel Moulton, 250 to 300 acres; C. J. Ryan & Co., 200 to 250 acres; Hooker, Farley & Co., Brighton, 200 acres; T. B. Yale & Co., Brighton, 200 acres; W. M. Hoyt, Brighton, 150 acres; Gould, Beckwith & Co., Brighton, 150 acres; Moore Brothers, Brighton, 150 acres; H. E. Hooker & Co., 130 acres; Robert Donnelly & Brother,