



Manchester, fertilized with Seneca Queen under glass, excelling both of these varieties in every respect. It is pistillate like all our productive kinds."

Mr. M. Crawford, a member of our own Association, living in Ohio, in a report of new strawberries, writes as follows:—"Itasca; no better berry as far as quality is concerned, has yet appeared, I have seen twenty-five ripe and two hundred green berries on a single plant. It is quite regular in form, obtusely conical, bright red, and averages about an inch in diameter."

As soon as we have tested the Itasca we shall be very glad to give farther information concerning it; but at present we can only say that any berry which, upon thorough trial, may be ranked along with the Crescent, Jewell or Manchester, is certainly well worthy of propagation. In the coming berry we want excellence of quality, more than we want productiveness. For the

latter quality probably no berry surpasses the *James Vick* of which the accompanying cut is no exaggerated representation: but this characteristic instead of commending it has proved to be its fault, in these days when fruit of small size, and ordinary quality is glutting the markets, and scarcely pays the expense of gathering and shipping.

OTHER NEW STRAWBERRIES.

BY M. CRAWFORD, CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO.

THE JESSIE.—I have fruited it twice, and I have watched it with great interest on account of the wonderful reports that reached me concerning it. I am unable so far to find one weak place in it. The plant is all one could ask for size, vigorous growth, health, hardiness, and productiveness. Blossom perfect. With me it is wonderfully productive, very large, of good form and color, and one of the best in quality. It ripens all over at once, and is firm enough for distant transportation.

ANNA FOREST.—From D. Brandt, of Bremin, O. Sent out as the largest berry in the world. Not yet fruited here.