

## SMALL FRUIT GROWING.

form of berry is one of very great value not merely to the farm garden, but also to the larger professional fruit grounds, and to all cultivators in general. But on account of some public prejudice against its large straggling growth and its very disagreeable hooked thorny appendages, we find it very much neg-

lected on the part of the cultivator. I will therefore attempt very briefly to describe a method of growing and managing the blackberry that has been adopted by some very successful growers and has been quite satisfactory all round.

In the first place, as to the soil and climate ; it is known to be



FIG. 1114.—BLACKBERRY.

lected and not nearly so generally grown and enjoyed as its great merits and lovely qualities as a table and preserving fruit properly demand it should be. These prejudices against its growth very largely arise from a misunderstanding of better methods of treatment, or from an entire ignorance of good meth-

ods somewhat sensitive, for these must be exactly suitable to its needs and requirements to attain the best results. Just here I may be excused, should I embody a little personal observation of my own, bearing on the questions of the case.

During the very pleasant season of