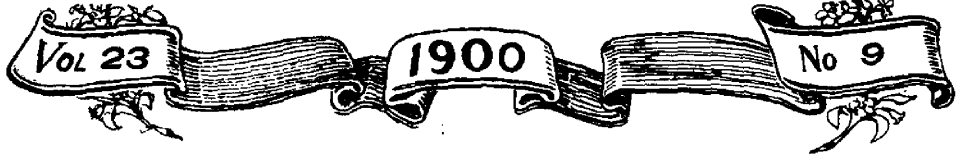



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OUR PLANT DISTRIBUTIONS FOR 1900.

THE CUMBERLAND BLACK RASPBERRY.

 ON the 11th of July, we received a basket of fine branches of the Cumberland Raspberry from Mr. W. E. Wellington, grown at Fonthill. Nearly all the berries on each branch were fully ripe, and as Gregg was not yet in the market we were impressed with the earliness of the variety, as well as its evident productiveness. We accordingly took a photograph of it which forms the frontispiece of this number, and have decided to place it on our spring plant distribution list for 1901. The berries are of fine size and good flavor, and these characteristics combined with their earliness and productiveness make the Cumberland a most promising commercial variety. This year it began to ripen at Fonthill about the 5th of July. The plant is thought to be a seedling of Gregg, with a dash of blackberry blood in it. It originated nine years ago with David Miller, of Maryland, and is thought to be the most profitable and deservable market variety yet known. If we are to believe all the introducers say of it, it is the "Business Berry," having immense size, firmness and great

productiveness and wonderful hardiness, enduring without injury, we are told, 16° below zero, (Fahr). In size it is said to be "simply enormous," the berries often reaching $\frac{7}{8}$ of an inch in diameter; those photographs were $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch in diameter, but the dry season would account for their being a little below size. Now, if the berry equals half what its introducers say of it, surely it is well worth introducing to Canadian Fruit Growers.

SPIRÆA, ANTHONY WATERER,
(*S. Japonica Bumalda.*)

At the same time that the Cumberland Raspberry came to hand, July 11th, we also received from Mr. Wellington a basket of the new Spiræa, which is one of the most desirable of the newly introduced shrubs for the lawn. He writes, "They are quite a sight in the Nursery rows, and they continue blooming till frost comes." The R. N. Y. says of it, "The most satisfactory Spiræa in existence; a constant bloomer. The plant is of low growth, the umbels a bright pink color. A profuse bloomer."