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New Fruits.

THE GOLDEN QUEEN.

We are so often deceived in estimating the value of new fruits that we hesitate to say much about them until we have tested them well on our own grounds, or else have seen them grown on those of our neighbors.

The Marlboro', for instance, which was so highly puffed some time ago, is now set down by many as not bearing out its good reputation, especially after the first two or three seasons; and a similiar tale might be told of many other new varieties.

But all the evidence, thus far, seems to indicate that the Golden Queen raspberry is to be a very strong claimant for popular favour. Already some notices of it have appeared in this journal, so that many of our readers are already partially familiar with its claims upon their notice.

The *Golden Queen* originated on the farm of Mr. E. Stokes, of Camden, N. J. He found it growing in a twelve-acre block of Cuthberts, and thinks it either a sport or a seedling of that variety. It resembles the Cuthbert in so many ways, that its relationship seems well attested. It is like the latter in size of

berry, in vigor of canes, and in productiveness; but differs in color, being a beautiful yellow. Mr. Stokes says that in color and flavour it resembles the famous *Brinckles Orange*.

This latter been for a long time at the head of the list of light colored raspberries, being everything that could be desired in point of flavour; but in these days, when raspberries sell at such low prices, this variety does not produce enough quarts to the acre to satisfy us.

The *Catharine* is the best bearer yet tested of this class, and it was this season laden down on our grounds with the most attractive looking fruit. But alas! one berry was enough to satisfy even the children. It lacks altogether in point of flavour, being most insipid. Besides this it has another fault, for it is too soft to ship any distance.

In this latter respect also the Golden Queen is claimed to be quite equal to its parent the Cuthbert, which is such an admirable shipping berry. Mr. Theo. F. Baker, President of the N. J. Horticultural Society says:— "The fruit is very firm and carries well, from my experience with a pint which I kept three days, after carrying over seventy-five miles, in good condition."