

the Gregg, decidedly hardier, and even more productive.

*Gregg*.—In congenial soil, and under proper treatment, this is, perhaps, the largest Raspberry of its class that has as yet been produced. Much disappointment has been encountered with this variety by planting it upon thin, light soil, where most Cap varieties succeed. The Gregg Raspberry, like the Strawberry, delights in a deep, rich, cool soil, and is so critical in this respect that it frequently refuses to respond in the least to any amount of coaxing on almost any other, and proves an utter failure upon sand. It is extra large, jet black, with a decided bloom, and, although quite good, yet not of the highest quality, being somewhat dry and meaty. In time of ripening it is a little later than the well-known Mammoth Cluster, hence late to very late. Very productive (when grown on congenial soil, and with thorough culture), and although exempt from the diseases that attack the Mammoth, and free from its weaknesses, it is not quite as hardy as that fine old kind. However, taken all in all, it is a variety of great value, and worthy of a place in all gardens suited to its culture.

*Souhegan* is just what every one interested in Cap Raspberries has long been looking for: to wit, a good *early* variety. It has steadily, and entirely upon its own merits, made itself known, and really leaves but little to be desired as an early Black-cap, either for market or the home garden. Of first importance is, that it succeeds on both light and heavy soils, and in productiveness it is simply wonderful, being, without exception, the most prolific variety of the productive Cap Raspberries that has yet come under my notice. In hardiness it appears to be "iron clad," having stood twenty degrees below zero without injury, when all

others in the same plantation were killed to the ground, and is very early, ripening about a week earlier than Doolittle. It is of fair size, juicy, sweet, and rich, and, what adds much to its value as a market berry, shining jet black, without bloom.—J. T. LOVETT, in *American Garden*.

#### GRAPES.

In answer to frequent inquiries as to the relative value, quality and character of the more common and newer varieties of the grape, we place a number of sorts under the following heads:

*Early grapes*—Moore's Early, Lady, Worden, Massasoit, Hartford Prolific.

*Hardy half-bloods*—Burnet, Salem, Wilder, and the other Rogers' hybrids.

*High quality and character, with a slight intermixture of exotic blood*—Lady Washington, Brighton.

*Of fine quality, but poor growth*—Eumelan, Rebecca, Walter, Adirondack.

*Hardy and high flavor, but poor bunch*—Creveling.

*Nearly perfect, but not quite good enough*—Concord.

*Prominent and promising white grapes*—Prentiss, Pocklington. Red or darker—Jefferson, Vergennes.

*Half-blood, tender, high quality*—Allen's Hybrid.

*Faultless, but rather small*—Delaware.

*Hardy and productive, but not good enough*—Hartford, Martha.

*Good winter keepers—the late-ripening Rogers' hybrids.*

*Grapes of high value or of high promise*—Lady Washington, Niagara, Duchess, Brighton, Rochester, Prentiss, Jefferson.

*Of little value*—Blood's Black, Janesville, Champion, Charter Oak, Dracut