

but the berry is firmer and of better quality, and I am told is a great bearer. This variety originated with Mr. J. T. Thompson, of Oneida, N. Y., who controls the stock at present I believe.

*Heebner.* Is a large red berry of the Clark and Hornet type. In quality it is A1, but not firm enough for distant shipment. It has been on trial at Ottawa for the past four years, having been introduced by Mr. Hilborn, (now of Leamington), in 1888. The cane is not quite as hardy as Cuthbert, but the fine quality of the fruit should give it a place in amateur collections: It is fairly productive.

*Herstine.* Is another variety which can be recommended for home culture, but is not sufficiently vigorous and productive for market. It is also deficient in pollen and incomplete fertilization is occasionally noticed.

*Hansell.* As an early market variety I am inclined to think that this variety has been underrated. It ripens with or before the earliest, and continues giving fair pickings throughout the raspberry season. The berry is of medium size, firm and attractive, bright color and of fair quality. The past two years it has yielded better than Turner, which it equals in hardiness. It needs high culture.

*Recommended for the Market.*

- Red { *Hansell.*—Very early.  
       *Marlboro'.*—Hardy, attractive, poor quality.  
       *Cuthbert.*—Fairly hardy, productive, firm, late, good quality.
- Purple.—*Shaffer.* Specially valuable for canning.
- Black Caps { *Mammoth Cluster.*—Early.  
               *Hilborn.*—Medium early, productive.  
               *Gregg.*—Late.
- Yellow.—*Golden Queen.* Good quality.

*Recommended for Home Use.*

- Red { *Turner.*—Early, hardy, good quality.  
       *Heebner.*—Medium, needs protection, fine quality.  
       *Hornet.*—Late, " " "  
       *Cuthbert.*—Good quality, fairly productive.
- Purple: *Columbia.*—New, promising.
- Black Cap { *Doolittle.*  
               *Hilborn.*  
               *Gregg.*
- Yellow: *Brinkles Orange*, or *Golden Queen.* Must be protected in winter, succeeds in the north.

NOTES RESPECTING NEW VARIETIES OF FRUIT.

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For many years past the business of introducing new fruits or varieties of fruits has been pursued by many persons and by different methods. Every kind of fruit has been the subject of investigation, and great results have followed.

Grapes, perhaps, stand first in order. Fifty years ago the *Isabella*, the *Clinton*, and two or three others, now less known, were about all that were then grown in this Province. Now, a hundred or more varieties are successfully grown in Central Ontario, most of which are better in quality and many of them ripens their fruit from twenty to forty days earlier in the season.