

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

CHRYSANTHEMUM CULTURE, by Jas. Morton, was the book recommended by Prof. Hutt, in his address, as a guide to amateur growers.

THE HOLIDAY NUMBER of the *New York Fruit Trade Journal* is a very fine issue, and full of illustrations. Of course it deals with matters connected with the fruit trade rather than with the interests of the fruit grower, but it keeps one thoroughly posted on the outlook for the sale of fruits. It is accompanied by a pretty calendar, with beautiful colored illustrations.

THE SPRAYMOTOR pump was exhibited at our Waterloo meeting, by Mr. Heard. He exhibited a new plunger of the greatest value in lessening the work of pumping, and at the same time making the pump do better work than ever.

THE HUNN STRAWBERRY is being offered for the coming spring. It originated with C. E. Hunn, of the New York Experiment Station at Geneva, N. Y., a seedling of Johnson's late fertilized by Sharpless. In 1894, Prof. Beach spoke of it as giving a large yield, and described it thus: "It is very vigorous, of good dark color, large size and borne on long strong stems. Four rows of this variety in blossom are shown in Plate I, which shows the strong up-right fruit-stems and large, vigorous leaves."

The following tabulated statement, made by a grower at Middlehope, N. Y., will show the various points of comparison of the different varieties. The appearance and shipping qualities of the Bubach, Sharpless and No. 208 being so similar, all were packed together and no separate account was kept. This will extend the apparent length of season of the Bubach, and also lower its showing for productiveness. For it commenced and ended fruiting earlier than

either of the others and was more prolific. In computing each column of the following table, the sum of the length of all the rows and the total product of each variety was taken, and from these the product and net returns of 100 feet of row was reckoned. The average net price was found by taking the total sales of each variety, less cost of freight, cartage and commission and dividing it by the total number of quarts marketed of each variety. As we had no regular rows of Beder Wood we merely give the dates of the first and last shipments, and the average price per quart in a local market.

	BEDER WOOD.	BURACH.	LADY THOMPSON.	CUMBER-LAND.	HUNN.
Date first shipment.....	May 31	June 4	June 7	June 8	June 21
Date last shipment.....	June 15	June 29	June 26	June 25	July 2
Number quarts in 100 ft. of row.....	.....	69.62	86	44	31.6
Net returns from 100 ft. of row.....	.....	\$4.47	\$5.37	\$2.73 6 10	\$5.57 1/2
Average price per quart.....	.....	6 4 cts. 100	6 25 cts. 100	6 18 cts. 100	8 8 cts. 10 10
Per cent. of cup before Hunn.....	.....	64.25	92.7	71.85	.....

We do not speak of this berry from experience; indeed, we do not know that any one in Canada has fully tested the berry.