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**T**HE Windsor Cherry, which forms the subject of our frontispiece for this number, takes its name from the town of Windsor, Ont., where it originated on the grounds of the late James Dougall. It was bought up by Messrs. Ellwanger & Barry, of Rochester, who have introduced it to public notice, and therefore it has been first tested in the State of New York. It has been favorably mentioned every year of late in the report of the Western New York Horticultural Society, and appears to have now attained an established reputation as the best late, sweet black cherry. In season, it is a little later than the Elkhorn, or Tradescant's Black Heart, a variety which is a prodigious bearer of fine large fruit, and firm enough for shipping any distance; but, unfortunately, the latter is inclined to rot in moist weather, a fault which it has in common with most of the Bigarreau class, and one to which we hope the Windsor may prove an exception. The great value of this cherry to us in Canada is its hardiness, and, should it prove to be in this respect all that is claimed for it by its introducer, it will extend the line of the profitable culture of the finer varieties of the cherry farther north than has hitherto been possible. In southern Ontario the Windsor will also be highly valued on account of its season, for it will keep up the supply of fine cherries well on toward the end of July.