

son, when other blooms are so scarce, will, we are sure, be long remembered by many of us, and doubtless some amongst us are endeavoring to profit by the instruction given by that gentleman.

The following trees and plants have been

distributed to the members during the year:

Fruit trees, 246; grape vines, 49; strawberry plants, 3,375; black raspberry, 100; dewberry, 10; flowers, plants, etc., 5,016; pea trees, 10.

THE WAY TO THE BACK DOOR

THE accompanying illustration shows a commendable way in which the landscape gardener arranges the path leading from the street to the back door. It is a situation very commonly met with. The premises are not large, the front of the house and expanse of lawn is to the right, and this walk was made for the grocer, butcher, and so forth. Where it is given a short turn the shrubbery is thickened so that the back yard is effectually screened. The walk is made a little wider in front than back, causing an impression of greater depth than really exists. It is a success, so radically different from what is usually made shift with in our city residences. The trouble is, such a result requires five years' time to bring forth. While people neglect their places entirely for many years, when they do order it properly arranged they want it complete immediately. Such plantings of shrubbery should be embellished with numerous clumps of perennials. Those to the right, fronting on the open lawn, can be almost any you may desire, according to the requirements of color, size, season of bloom and so forth, but those along the edges of the walk must be shade coloring, such as columbine, trilliums, violets, hemerocallis and so forth.— *American Florist*.



FIG. 5556. THE WAY TO THE BACK DOOR.