

"In my young orchard I always plant small fruit if the soil is suitable. This practice can be carried on until the fruit trees come into bearing. In raspberries I find the Marlboro and the Cuthbert give excellent satisfaction. The former comes in slightly earlier. They are both large berries of good quality suitable for shipping. The bushes, too, have sufficient wood to bear large quantities of fruit."

### Methods With Raspberries

"THERE are two radically different methods of growing raspberries," said Mr. R. B. Whyte, of Ottawa, to *The Horticulturist*. "The one commonly used in western Ontario is to 'pinch in' the plant when it is about two feet high and make a bushy plant of it. In this way staking is not necessary. In the colder parts, like Ottawa and vicinity, where the plants have to be laid down during the winter for protection, I find it much better to allow them to grow without pinching them until they are about five feet high.

"Lateral branches should be cut off to within about six inches of the main cane so as to throw additional strength into the main cane and to prevent the lateral branches breaking off with the weight of the fruit. The bushes can be staked off. For a tall open bush like this it is possible to obtain larger and finer fruit, which possesses much finer flavor. I used to lose my crops when I tried the other method, but have never lost a crop since I have adopted this system."

It pays to correctly fertilize strawberries for the following reasons: It vastly increases the yield, it gives larger berries of better color and flavor and a firmer fruit. Firmness in the fruit enables it to be shipped long distances and arrive fresh.

Take pains. If you do that you will make a success of strawberry culture.

### A Fine Fruit Exhibit

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FRUIT EXPERIMENT STATIONS.

OUR Ontario fruit experiment stations will put up an exhibit at the Ontario Horticultural Exhibition in Toronto next November which will be of the greatest interest to fruit growers because of its educational character. For nine years these stations have been testing all known varieties of fruits. We have found many much lauded varieties to be worthless. These will be shown in a class by themselves, while the varieties which have proved profitable or otherwise worthy of cultivation will be shown and duly placarded. Work is already beginning in preparation by the putting up of tender fruits in glass bottles, of which several hundred have been distributed among the experimenters for the purpose.

### The Effect of Example

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DO not be discouraged by one failure to grow flowers, but try, try again. Your neighbor will seek to emulate you and thus spread this pleasing and refining influence.

On the street on which I live I did not have much opportunity to grow flowers, but I began to plant some creepers and added a few geraniums and other things in the small space at my disposal. The result was that my neighbors began to do likewise and have put me in the shade.

These neighbors began to take pleasure in gardening, and a more delightful scene could hardly be witnessed than that of a whole family, young and old, sitting outside in the summer evenings, often bragging about their different displays.

A perfect all round strawberry is about as hard to find as a perfect all round milk cow.