

The secret of jelly making seems to consist in boiling it exactly the right length of time, which can only be determined by experience. Any reliable cook book furnishes satisfactory recipes for all the above. The fruit may also be preserved without sugar by the addition of some preservative, such as salicylic acid, but the result is unwholesome.

Small Fruits in the Orchard

"AN easily grown small fruit crop is the blackberry," said W. H. Gibson, of Newcastle, recently to *The Horticulturist*. "I have an acre of the Snider variety which last year yielded 7,000 quarts. The year before the yield was nearly as large. These bushes have been bearing for four or five years and were planted about eight years ago. The berries realized five to six cents per quart.

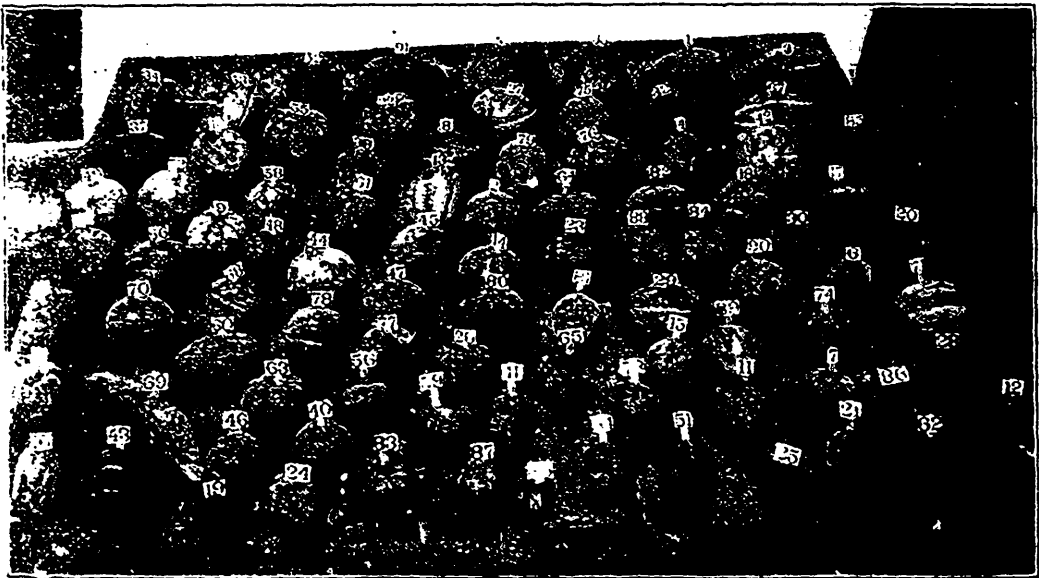
"I obtain women to pick the berries, pay-

ing them 1¼ cents per box. A good picker picks 100 boxes in a day. These bushes are growing in a young apple orchard. Owing to the size of some of the bushes I was unable to spray the apple trees last year, and on that account many of the apples were wormy. In that portion of the orchard where I was able to spray not one out of every 100 apples was injured by the worms. This led me to remove one row of bushes this year between every two rows of apple trees to permit of spraying. Blackberries are more profitable to grow in a young orchard than almost any other crop I know.

A Remedy for Aphis

What is an effective spray for aphis in field nurseries? The insect is on the under side of leaves on new growth. Dipping the branches in emulsion is too slow.—(W. C. Archibald & Sons, Wolfville, N. S.)

Replying to this question Mr. W. T. Macoun, of the Experimental Farm at Ottawa.



Melons Grown at the Central Experimental Farm.

Although Ottawa is not in a melon-growing district it has been necessary for the Central Experimental Farm to test all the varieties on the market in order to find out which will succeed best in districts where the climatic conditions are the same as in Ottawa. Scores of varieties of muskmelons have been tested. From a large number a few early ripening varieties of good quality have been found suitable for general cultivation. A group of these melons are here shown, including Burpee's Netted Green, Harkness's, Emerald Green, and the Market. The latter is a fine variety, but a little late unless forced. The farm report concerning these different melons is an