

raised 100 plants from five. We got seven plants and two of those died and from the five we raised 100 plants of Pan American, very rich soil, and we gave them good cultivation.

Mr. Moyle: Mr. Crawford of Ohio writes me that he has this season propagated several new varieties of fall-bearing strawberries and all are good. These were distributed in trial lots to nurserymen this year. In my opinion these fall-bearing kinds are valuable mainly in the home garden.

Mr. Kellogg: I want to say one more word in regard to the Autumn. After planting the original plantation, they bore so that I had one plant that had 118 berries, blossoms, and buds on it, that I took up and carried to the Jefferson county Fair. Another I carried to Beaver Dam that had fifty-three berries at once, and of course a plant that yields so much, they cannot be large, unless it is up at Bayfield. It might be there.

Mr. Richardson: I would like to say a word in favor of the Red Bird strawberry. We have only tried it in a small way the last two or three years, we find the color is good, it is of the Dunlap and Warfield type, good color, red berry and very productive. It is too early yet to say if it is going to stand up with the older ones, but the indications are that it will.

A Member: I would like to ask Mr. Kellogg about the Norwood.

Mr. Kellogg: I am very favorably impressed with the form, size, quality and productiveness.

A Member: I want to know what type it is.

Mr. Kellogg: It is of the type of the Jessie family.

REPORT ON STRAWBERRIES.

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Strawberries here this season a bumper crop; in my ten years experience this was an ideal year. Among the varieties that did extra well were Glen Mary, Senator Dunlap, Burbank, Wonder and Cardinal. Red Bird outyielded any on the list but the berries run too small and they are not the best flavor and are not any earlier than Senator Dunlap. It is a fine colored berry and even more hardy than Senator Dunlap. Stephen's Late

Champion, the great brag berry, is a great grower but when it comes to fruit it is disappointing in yield, flavor, size, etc., so many imperfect berries while Fremont Williams by its side is even later and twice as productive. It is just as vigorous a grower and all the berries average large, firm and smooth. With me it is the most productive late variety I have tried except it might be July. I have not tested it enough yet to know but I think it will even surpass Fremont Williams.

Virginia sold or introduced for extra early was disappointing in every respect.

Chesapeake Late was a complete failure. Highland will be a wonder if it does as well another year as this year as it more than bears out the introducer's claim.

DOES INSPECTION OF SMALL FRUIT PAY THE GROWER.

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The title of this paper "Does inspection of small fruit pay the grower" naturally suggests another and a greater question, "Does an association of growers and shippers benefit the grower" for as a matter of fact inspection and grading are simply necessary adjuncts to the machinery of a successful association.

The Inspector acts as an equalizer in fixing the grade and comparative value of the product of the grower and making it possible to bring the entire crop of any particular section under one management and thus relieve the grower of the labor and responsibility of marketing his product at a time when he is much needed at home.

It must always be kept in mind that small fruit is highly perishable and on its maturity must be moved with rapidity and despatch. Inspection makes it possible for the manager of an association to distribute his product to much better advantage than would be possible had it not been examined and its grade and shipping qualities determined, as some of it may be more firm and can be shipped a long distance with safety while the balance can be distributed to points nearer home to good advantage, even when all are of the same grade. This