



LOW-HEADED TREES.

In the majority of cases apple trees are headed too high. This tends to put the tree in a leaning position and leaves a long trunk exposed to the direct rays of sun. Moreover, depriving the tree of its lower limbs checks its growth because it is harder for limbs to draw the sap through a long trunk.—Farmers' Home Journal.

A GREAT FRUIT CROP.

The orchardist in the Northwest faces the most prosperous year in his history. Fruit prospects never were so pleasing between the Rockies and the sea, and the large loss of fruit in the Central West opens up an unusual market for the Pacific Coast products. East of the Alleghenies also the yield promises to be normal, and those sections will share in the enlarged markets. But the Central West will possibly surprise us with a yield from orchards now thought to have been stripped of all prospect by the frost. Even some of the Iowa papers have the hardihood to claim a normal yield of fruit for that State. At all events the human system this season will not need to be acclimated by drug store products.—From the Farmers' Home Journal.

PLAN FOR HOTBED GROWTH.

I have often observed that beginners plant in hotbeds with little reference to the heights of various plants. When I start my hotbed planting I always make a diagram of the seed positions. In this way there



can be no mistake, and tall seedlings will not push up against the low front top of the sash nor low seedlings become lost in their shade at the back of the bed. The following diagram will indicate what is meant.—W. T., in House and Garden.

ONIONS.

The Welsh onion is much better for an extra early green onion than the old Egyptian or winter onion, and yet I am half inclined to discard it. It requires much more work in cleaning it for table and market than the regular bulb onion, and I find that by sowing seed of the Silverskin of White Portugal early enough in the summer, say the middle of July, I can have these excellent green bulbs almost as early in the spring as the Welsh. I have reduced my plantings of the latter from year to year, and after this shall sow only a row or two in my garden. The seed is usually sown during the fore part of June, or even in May. I have usually tried to sow Silverskin about August 1, but this year shall sow a few rows about July 15 and follow this up by repeated sowings at intervals of a week until August 8. It is an easy thing, indeed, to grow an abundance of the finest green onions in this way, six times as many on a given area as can be grown by planting sets, and to get them much earlier; in fact, at a time when demand and prices are especially good and favorable for the grower.—Tribune Farmer.

HOW ORCHARDS MAKE VALUES.

Good orchards of all fruits have a fixed value that has been well maintained, says a writer in American Agriculturist. They are rarely found for sale, their value being from \$200 to \$1000 an acre, the difference in price growing out of the location, condition and varieties grown, the latter being regarded as a matter of great importance, but which in many instances has been too little thought of in planting for commercial purposes.

A friend who is known as one of the best apple growers in my country, has assured me that \$1000 an acre would be no temptation as a purchase price for his orchard, he claiming that his plantation of Nonesuch and Baldwins has paid him more than ten per cent. net on this sum through the past ten years. The past season, with only a moderate crop and an unusual amount of defective fruit, the receipts from about twenty-five acres have amounted to something over \$4000. Now, how about the value of ordinary farm lands in general through the same section? A hasty review of the situation may not be amiss. A portion of the land owned by my father, independent of the old orchard referred to, sold some forty years since at \$135 an acre, and it has recently changed hands at \$50 an acre, and this is no exception.

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Musical Announcement.

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"Invitation?" said Barker. "Yes, to your musicale. It just came this morning."

Barker sent back an embarrassed cough over the wire.

"I am afraid you didn't understand," he said. "That was my wife's way of letting you know it's a boy. From 'The Messiah,' you know—'Unto us a son is born.'"

"Oh," said the other man. Then he added, "Those crazy Barkers!"—New York Sun.

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Running Up the Taxi.

Uncle (talking niece for her first taxi ride)—Well, Gladys; had enough of it, eh?

Gladys (much interested in fare disc)—Oh, no, uncle. Let's go on. I want to see if the shillings can go into double figures.—Punch.

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Killing Pocket Gophers.

The pocket gophers are quite easily killed with poisons. The United States department of agriculture gives the following formula for this: Dissolve one ounce of strychnia sulphate in a pint of boiling water. Add a pint of thick sugar syrup. Scent this mixture by adding a few drops of oil of anise. Steep a half bushel of corn in hot water and allow it to soak over night. After this, drain it, and allow to soak for several hours in the poisoned syrup.

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Sounded Best When Silent.

In a railroad office in West Philadelphia there is an old and trusted clerk of Celtic extraction who keeps his associates in a constant state of good humor by an unending series of witticisms, interspersed with bulls so glaring that even he himself has to join in the laugh that invariably follows such a break on his part.

There was some trouble on the telephone one day recently and Mike, as he is called among his friends, lost much of his usual good nature in his efforts to get the gist of a message that was being sent from another office. The man on the other end of the wire finally became exasperated and asked Mike if he was losing his hearing.

"I can hear you all right until you begin to talk," said Mike, "and then I can't understand a word you say."—Philadelphia Times.

Smoking and Big Hats.

For instance, take smoking—and, of course, spitting. What could be a more unsanitary, disgusting and filthy habit. Delicate women are constantly called upon to suffer in silence in public places because it is man's pleasure to smoke. Now, then, if it is woman's pleasure to wear large hats for a few short seasons, should man protest? Large hats improve the appearance of most women, and women, as a whole, are careful enough to see that "their long and dangerous hatpins" are in their hats properly. As women are naturally sympathetic and solicitous for the comfort of others, it is only an exceedingly small proportion who would be so careless as to permit their hatpins to protrude enough to inflict injury.—A Woman in New York Times.

Epidemic of Itch in Welsh Village.

In Dowlais, South Wales, about fifteen years ago, families were stricken wholesale by a disease known as the itch. Believe me, it is the most terrible disease of its kind that I know of, as it itches all through your body and makes your life an inferno. Sleep is out of the question and you feel as if a million mosquitoes were attacking you at the same time. I knew a dozen families that were so affected.

"The doctors did their best, but their remedies were of no avail whatever. Then the families tried a druggist who was noted far and wide for his remarkable cures. People came to him from all parts of the country for treatment, but his medicine made matters still worse; as a last resort they were advised by a friend to use the Cuticura Remedies. I am glad to tell you that after a few days' treatment with Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Resolvent, the effect was wonderful and the result was a perfect cure in all cases.

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Broadway in a Gale.

Tip tried to walk down Broadway from the post office to the Battery during one of our early June simoons or stroccos that sweep and blow down the Royal Gorge of Broadway like blasts out'n a horn in Hades—a full-blown Flying Dutchman's gale of dry manure, the pure, venerable stuff itself, a gasping, a spitting, a hawking, a coughing, a weeping, a tasting, a sneezing, a choking. Smother of fine fertilizer, both fluid and solid, dried up into an unspeakable wind-blown powder mixture, a whirled mess that tastes and smells and makes the very clothes on a man's back reek and smell and stink for hours after, almost as if one had been a tramp winter-warming and hibernating his spark of life in a stale, stable's dung-hill.—Tip, in the New York Press.

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Cup Defender Becomes Oil Barge.

The Pilgrim, a former palatial 90-foot yacht built to defend the America's cup in 1893, but which did not go against the Valkyrie II, as the Defender won the trial races, started recently on what will probably be the last chapter of her career, that of a gasoline supply boat to be located in Marblehead Harbor.

The craft, on which no money was spared when being built, and on which thousands have been spent, was stripped of all her machinery and finery at the Atlantic works, East Boston, and in place of her former mahogany fittings of the pl' there now lies a huge gasoline tank that will hold hundreds of gallons.—Boston Post.



Do You Feel This Way?

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He Stopped.

A Philadelphia man who finds much amusement in playing rag-time melodies on the piano, received a rude shock one evening recently at the hands of his daughter, a sweet little miss of some fourteen years. It was warm and the house was wide open when the fond parent sat down at the piano and began "pawing the ivories" with unusual ardor. While he was playing, his daughter came into the room with a companion. "Daddy, stop playing," she said. Somewhat surprised, the father wanted to know why he should cease entertaining himself. The little girl was not inclined to explain. Finally she said, "Why, the neighbors have a lot of company." "Is that all?" commented daddy, with fine scorn. "Well, if they don't like my playing they can close their windows," and he attacked the piano with renewed vigor. "Yes, but daddy," pleaded the daughter, as she glided over to her parent and put her arm around his neck, "they'll think it was I playing." That settled it. He stopped.—Buffalo Commercial.

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