

STRAWBERRY BEDS.

Clear and Practical Talk By a New York Grower.

How to manage the strawberry bed after fruiting is somewhat of a perplexing question for growers as well as for the amateur. In an experience of twenty-five years I have tried almost every way that is practiced by growers, and I am convinced from my own practical use that the best way for me is to plant a new bed every year, says a New York grower, who gives the following account of his methods in Rural New Yorker:

After the first bearing year, as soon as we are through picking, I begin to take care of the beds by pulling all weeds and grass before they make any seed. I let these lie on the bed in spots where there are no plants. As soon as the ground is frozen I cover the entire bed with horse manure to a depth of two or three inches. This will perhaps smother some of the plants, but there will be plenty of them left for the next year's fruiting, and those that come through in the spring will grow with as much vigor as a newly set plant. From a bed of one acre treated as above described I picked more berries the past season than from an acre planted a year ago. The berries, however, were not quite as large. After I finish picking a second crop I plow everything under in July and plant to celery. The land will then be in a high state of fertility, for the strawberry takes but little from the soil.

Seeding to Clover.

If a second crop is not wanted the ground should be sowed with crimson clover about the 1st of August. This should be plowed under the following spring, when the ground will be in excellent condition for planting early potatoes, beets, cabbage or, in fact, any early vegetables. This method of growing strawberries gives me three beds to look after, two bearing beds, one and two years old, and a newly planted one every spring, and I am of the opinion that there is less labor and expense in planting a bed every year than in trying to build up the old one year after year.

Those who have not ground enough for rotation and wish to retain the old bed I would advise to narrow down the rows to six or eight inches in width. Where the horse and plow cannot be used it can be easily accomplished with the spade. Broadcast some well rotted stable manure or fertilizer on the ground and rake it level. New runners will soon occupy the whole space, thus renewing the plantation. Guard against weeds and grass to the end of the season. Mulch with horse manure when the ground freezes.

In the spring, when the young plants start growing, dig under the old row or plants that have been used for renewing the bed, for these will be pretty well exhausted. This narrow space when dug under serves as a path between the renewed rows. Where the mulching or manure lies too heavily on the plants this should be raked off and left in the paths. This will keep the ground moist and will be useful in the season of fruiting.

Young Things Together.

It is natural for some boys to make pets of animals on the farm. Calves, colts and lambs crowd around such boys, and it is generally noticed that such animals are thrifty. It also is noticeable that the boys having such influence over farm animals are the



LIKELY TO STAY ON THE FARM.

boys who make the best men. Almost any boy can be taught to make close acquaintances with young animals on the farm, and such instructions are very valuable to him.

A great deal depends on the parents. If the "old man" yells around the barnyard and keeps a club or two handy to whack the animals with when they get in his way the boy is very apt to imitate his father's example. Such men generally complain that farming doesn't pay. The result is that the boy goes off to town to hunt up something that will pay.—Farm, Field and Fireside.

Good Digestion Makes Eggs.

The foundation of great egg production is great digestive capacity, and if that is lacking feed and care have small effect on the result, as any one may observe who will note the difference in yield of his individual hens. Now, this large digestive capacity—invariably followed by liberal egg production—is attained only by skillful breeding and when subject to the management of the average keeper of hens disappears in a few generations.

For example, take the ordinary farm flock. During the fall and winter the few eggs secured are laid by a small number of comparatively good hens. Early in spring these good layers become broody and are promptly set on eggs from the poor layers, just starting in. The process is repeated the next year and so continues until the owner decides that the "breed" is no good.

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

Cold storage affection isn't so warm either.

Sorrow long ago demonstrated that it is strictly in the swim; so there's no use in trying to drown it.

Folly has a wonderful affinity for a pretty girl.

Although it may tax a man's ingenuity to evade the assessor of taxes, it doesn't tax his honesty.

Some men have an assorted lot of flattery for special kinds of girls.

People who rest before they are tired are the only true artists at loafing.

There are men who can beat a mule by simply being stubborn.

Forbearance is a virtue that we would that our enemies possessed.

A LESSON IN LAW.

Several Things the Philadelphia Drummer Didn't Know.

"Most of us think we know the law pretty well," said the Philadelphia drummer, "but I had a little experience to show me that there are several things in the statute books that I don't know. I was in a New England town and dropped into a barber shop to get shaved. There was only one barber, and he didn't look as if he knew putty. He turned out to be a pretty good shaver, however, and as I had had a drink just before entering the shop I fell asleep in the chair. I slept for half an hour, and when I awoke he was through with me. The first thing I missed on getting out of the chair was my roll of money, next my watch, next my overcoat, next and lastly my scarfpin. I went for that barber for all I was worth, but he denied robbing me, and his face wore a smile. Then I got a gait on me and went to a lawyer's office.

"Can you prove by a credible witness that you had \$90 in cash when you entered the barber shop?" he asked.

"I couldn't."

"Can you prove that your watch was taken in the shop instead of being lost on the street?"

"I couldn't."

"Are you sure that you had your pin on as you opened the door to enter?"

"I wasn't."

"As to your overcoat," continued the lawyer, "have you a bill of sale of it, or was any one with you when you bought it? In other words, can you swear to the ownership in law of any particular overcoat?"

"I couldn't."

"Then I can do nothing for you," he said, and I went to a second lawyer to be told the same thing. I had left the shop without paying for my shave, and I was even told that the barber could arrest me for beating him out of 15 cents and have me fined \$5. I believe I can quote Shakespeare correctly and distinguish between tea and sugar, but when it comes down to the law I am not in it. It's too kinky."—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

Comes Natural to Them.

A western farmer writes in to one of the eastern papers to inquire if the editor knows of any way to keep boys from stealing watermelons.

This has been a subject that has engaged the attention of many market gardeners from the time of Adam down; but, after looking over the field, most of them have given up the job as hopeless. The combination of a barbed wire fence, a bulldog and a shotgun may do some good, but even that is not boy proof.

About the only sure way is to chain all of the boys in the neighborhood with inch log chains and then throw them down a cellar and sit on the lid.

Even that is not warranted to work every time, for a new boy may come visiting in the neighborhood after the committee has made up the collection.

About the only sure way would be for Burbank to graft a phonograph on a watermelon, and then it could call for help when danger came on two bare feet. By having the hired man sleep in the barn to respond to the call most of the fruit should be saved until the time came to put it on the market.

Varied the Exercise.

"I see she is going with a left handed man."

"Yes, she wanted to develop evenly."

Ran to Fruit.

"Did he get the check for his apples?"

"Yes, and it was a peach."

Mixed.

He asked would she go strolling along the placid lake. Although his name was Charley, she answered him, "Sure, Mike!"

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Dress Goods in fancy stripes and checks, beautiful goods for summer wear, regular 50c., values now selling at **39c.**

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Navy and black Dress Goods, shadow stripe, 52 inches wide, regular 75c. value, special at .. **50c.**

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Fancy self striped Dress Goods, in colors green, navy, brown, cardinal, cream and black, regular 65c. value, selling at **50c.**

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Fancy Mohairs and Plain Cashmeres, suitable for children's dresses or ladies' waists, regular 35c. value, special at **29c.**

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Voiles and Venetians, in colors brown, navy and black, extra special value, at per yard.... **50c.**

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48 inch venetians, suitable for ladies' skirts or suits, in colors black, brown, navy and cardinal, regular 90c. value, selling at **75c.**

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Colored Muslins, neat, floral designs, in a variety of patterns, regular 12½c. values, now **10c.**

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Another lot of Colored Muslin, striped and fancy patterns, regular 15c. values, selling at **12c.**

Persian Lawn 19c.
Double width Persian Lawn, a lovely sheer fabric that will wash and wear perfectly..... **19c.**

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36 inch Long Cloth, a fine closely woven suitable for ladies' underwear, extra special at..... **9c.**

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Special Victoria Lawn, 45 inches wide, extra heavy weight, very strong and serviceable.... **19c.**

India Linens.
India Linens, fine and sheer, suitable for children's wear etc., special values at 15c. and..... **13c.**

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District Notes.

Minden Echo:—A very serious accident occurred at Kenaway, Haliburton county, when Mr. John Bowen, Jr., of that place was very badly cut on a trimming saw in Mr. John Burgess' mill. In some manner he encountered a plank which pushed him on the saw twice and in this manner he received two cuts, one in his left side which was thirteen inches long, and one on his hip, which not being so long is much deeper. We are glad to report that under the skillful treatment of Dr. Embury, of Bancroft, the young fellow is doing as well as can be expected.

Lindsay Post:—A deputation from the Citizens' League waited on the town council Monday evening and presented a very largely signed petition of the ratepayers of the town asking that body to prepare a by-law for submission to the ratepayers in January next. Mr. J. D. Flavell was spokesman, and stated that the law stipulated that it was necessary to secure twenty-five per cent of the ratepayers on the petition before council could submit such a by-law. It was necessary therefore in Lindsay to secure 512 names, but the league had 644 duly qualified ratepayers on their petition. The Council was requested to ask the Clerk to go carefully over the list in order to verify the names and also to instruct the town solicitor to draft a by-law and have it thoroughly gone over so that no technicality might occur. On motion of Reeve G. A. Jordan and Deputy-Reeve McLean the petition was received and referred to the Clerk.

Hundreds of mud bass were frozen in the shallow marshes of Pigeon Creek last winter, and now they are floating along the floating bridge in large numbers, and make good food for fish hawks, gulls and crows. These big mouthed bass go to the muddy places to spend the winter, but as the water was so very low last fall, they were not secure from Jack Frost during the winter months. Although the creatures of the wood and stream have a great idea of what they should do to protect themselves during the winter months, yet these green bass had evidently not taken the depth of the water into consideration in their usual winter haunts, and so they perished. Inspector Nicholls informs us there is not a black bass or a musk-hog among the dead, so they evidently kept in deeper water than their big mouthed friends.

Lovely Woman.

When lovely woman buys a bonnet That looks like an inverted crock, With orchards, grass and birds upon it, Enough to stop an eight-day clock— Why is it that, as forth she'll sally, To wear the thing without a blush, And all her friends fly up an alley, She wonders what has caused the rush?

If, in addition to this horror, As down the boulevard she trips, She wears a gown she's had made for her So that she looks, as 't were, sans hips, Why does she marvel, as she passes, That strong men flee on every hand? Are there at home no looking-glasses? Why is it she can't understand? — Chicago News.

"They say that Stevenson frequently worked a whole afternoon on a single line."

"That's nothing. I know a man who has been working the last six years on one sentence."—Boston Transcript.

"Your husband is of a studious turn of mind, isn't he?"

"Yes, indeed. Whenever we have hash he isn't satisfied unless he knows everything that is in it."—Detroit Free Press.

Willie, accompanied by his father, was visiting a circus and menagerie. "Oh, papa," the boy exclaimed, as they passed before an elephant, "look at the big cow with her horns in her mouth eating hay with her tail!"

"Does my whistling disturb you?"

"Oh, not in the least. I'm used to hearing men whistle. I'm a collector for a millinery house."

"What are you so glum about?"

"I was worrying about something yesterday, but, consarn it all, I can't remember what it was!"—Kansas City Journal.

"Isn't McCorkie awfully thin since his return?"

"Yes. Do you know what they call his valet at the club?"

"No."

"They call him the valet of the shadow."

As the train emerged from the tunnel the youth drew in a deep breath and turned to his mother.

"Gee, if that tunnel had been longer I'd have smothered trying to hold my breath!"

"Why did you hold your breath, child?"

"You don't suppose I wanted to breathe in that black air, do you?"—Judge.

FENELON FALLS MARKETS.

Fenelon Falls, Friday, June 11 1909

Reported by the North Star Roller Mill Co

Wheat, Scotch or Fife	1.10 to 1.15
Wheat, fall, per bushel	1.10 1.15
Wheat, spring	1.00 1.10
Barley, per bushel	48 52
Oats,	47 48
Pease, "	80 85
Potatoes, "	50 55
Butter, per lb	17 20
Eggs, per dozen	16 17
Hay, per ton	13.00 14.00
Hides	7.00 8.00
Hogs (live)	7.00 7.50
Hogs (Dressed)	8.50 9.00
Beef	5.50 6.00
Sheepskins	50 80
Wool	12 17
Flour, Brandon's Best	3.20 3.4
Flour, Silver Leaf	3.00 3.20
Flour, Victoria	2.95 3.15
Flour, New Process	2.90 3.10
Flour, Family, Clipper	2.85 3.05
Bran, per 100 lbs	1.20 1.25
Shorts, "	1.25 1.35
Mixed Chop	1.50 1.60

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Cooking the MILK.

The main thing is to cool the milk quickly to a temperature of 50 degrees or less, and it would pay the dairyman to provide ice for this purpose. In driving through the country in the early morning you will observe near the well at different farms a can of milk placed in a half barrel, where there is not room for more than a couple of pails of water, which would not be sufficient to properly cool the milk, and unless this is quickly done the germs that may have got into it will have a chance to develop before it gets cooled to that point where their growth is retarded.—J. G. Moore, Wisconsin.