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....Gardening Notes....

ANNUAL FLOWERS

In selecting a list of annual flowers, attention must be paid, of course, to time of blooming and colour. Height should also be noted as a medium sized plant may be hidden by some bushy stocks or tall cosmos. But these are only elemental points which every gardener of a few years' experience notes automatically. There are other and finer distinctions. Certain shades blend well together and often a whole bed will be selected with this blending in mind. Of course, for this sort of thing, all the plants must bloom during the same period. Fragrance should be taken into account, as there are some spicy things like Evening Scented Stock, Nicotine, Mignonette, Sweet Sultan and Verbena, which while rather plain as plants, fill the whole garden with a delightful incense, more especially in the evening. In shaded quarters, Tuberous-rooted Begonias, Pansies and wild flowers will do well. In fact, they prefer this location to any other. In partial shade, Clarkia, Annual Larkspur, Lupine, Nicotine, Phlox and Verbena should be grown. On poor soil, Portulaca is a favorite, as well as Alyssum, Sweet-scented Stocks, Linum, Calendulas, Calliopsis, Sunflowers, Schizanthus, Salpiglossis, Marigolds, Petunias, and many others. These will also successfully resist dry weather. Practically any of these flowers may still be planted successfully.

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THINNING

Thinning of both flowers and vegetables is most important after the plants are up an inch or so. With flowers a good rule is to have half as much space between as the plants will be high. This will be about a foot between ordinary marigolds, petunias and asters, two or three feet between cosmos and dahlias, but only an inch or so separating tiny alyssum, lobelia and other edging plants. Well spaced flowers will be more sturdy and thus resist heavy wind and rain. Even the smallest vegetables such as lettuce and radish must be thinned out. An inch or so will be sufficient and that is also all the room that will be needed for carrots and beets, because when these things have developed roots an inch thick and two or three long, every other plant should be removed and used, and this proceeding followed until the whole row is used up.

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NOT TOO LATE

It is not too late in most parts of Canada to order and plant perennial flowers and even shrubs and vines. Often towards the end of the season, prices are lower and while the selection is not as wide as earlier there should be a good choice.

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REPLACING PERENNIALS

Perennials are plants that die to the ground in the winter and come up from the roots each spring. They are the permanent flowers in our gardens, and once planted, are supposed to be everlasting.

It is a fallacy, however, to think that a garden is ever permanent. All perennial gardens should be replanted every three years.

Perennials must have sun for at least part of the day and the soil should be good topsoil to a depth of 12 to 15 inches, with drainage in the bottom. If the soil is clay, add agricultural slag or ashes and commercial fertilizer. If sandy, add manure or peat moss.

There are so many new and better varieties of perennials available to use that we should plant the best ones. Consult the catalogue of a good nurseryman.

It is important, too, to arrange planting so that colors harmonize and the high ones are not planted in front of low varieties.

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And ne'er a gorgeous diamond shines, in elegance supreme,
But 'tis an imitation of a sparkling dew-drop's gleam.
Of all delights that wealth can bring you or me,
There's nothing half so lovely as the things that we get free.

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To be content with little is difficult;
To be content with much, impossible.

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Mrs. Perkinson—You know, my husband is a second story man.

Mrs. Peterson—You don't say!

Mrs. Perkinson—Yes, his first story never fools me.

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Sambo—Do you want me to shoo the flies in here for you?

Mr. Crabber—No. Let 'em run around in their bare feet.

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Jackson—Did you hear about the accident my brother had? He fell against the piano and hit his head.

Johnson—That's too bad. Did he hurt himself?

Jackson—Oh, no; not much. You see he hit the soft pedal.

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Elderly Lady (to her granddaughter)—I'm afraid you'll be late at the party.

Girl—Oh, dear, grandma, don't you know that in a fashionable set nobody goes to a party until everybody has left there!

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Think It Over

Well did the ancient sages say to me
the greatest bane
Is not the pinch of poverty, nor bitter
pangs of pain.
Not faithless friends, nor kin unkind,
the sore such woes may be,
Far worse in Fickle Fortune's smile—
undue prosperity.

Frederick—Glory, there's an awful lot of girls stuck on me.

Jefferson—Yeah? Well, they must be an awful lot.

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Mr. Jones—Why do you always call your wife "Honey," Friend?

Friend—Well, for one thing, honey has never agreed with me.

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Bird-Life Saved By Sanctuaries

Jack Miner's Work Proves It—Bid Is Made for Large-Scale Conservation Plans

By LANCE CONNERY

Naturalist and woodsman, Jack Miner's bid for lasting fame rests on the sure foundation of his establishment of the sanctuary system of bird conservation. His Kingsville sanctuary, founded in 1904, was perhaps the first such sanctuary where artificial feeding was carried on to protect and conserve bird life. Today the system has spread not only in Canada and the United States, but also to several European countries.

Oddly enough, public sentiment among both great sporting camps, those who shoot and those who don't, is squarely behind the naturalist's conservation efforts. Those who don't shoot welcome the preservation of their favorite species, while the hunters realize their sporting future hinges on reasonable preservation of game life.

While the Kingsville sanctuary has possibly gained greater prominence through providing food and shelter for waterfowl, equal attention has been given to upland game birds.

Thousands of dollars have gone in maintaining and improving the Kingsville sanctuary, but it has been money well spent. Not only through this bird haven but through other similar sanctuaries founded as a direct result of the naturalist's pioneering has bird life gained some measure of protection from threatened extermination. Yet the amount spent on sanctuary work is far less than salaries of the number of game gardens required to perform only a fraction of such conservation service.

The sanctuary system, along with game wardens or overseers placed in charge, will save bird life from extermination, is Jack Miner's firm belief, based on his many years of experience. He should know.

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Brother Cyril, who did not lose his faith in the natural gentleness of the animals in spite of the attack, believed they could still render life-saving service in other mountain regions. He won permission to take a selected group of the finest dogs to remote Tibet. They will be stationed at a refuge built by two St. Bernard brothers at Latsa Pass, high up in the Himalayas.

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