## What to Put on the Floor

Shall It Be Carpets or Rugs? Treatment of Floors.

By ADELINE B. WHITFORD.

Many of us still remember the old, and why the owner of any soft wood there is a good market within combrussels and ingrain carpets which floor is advised to paint it a medium paratively easy shipping distance, or were sewed and fitted to the room's dark color rather than to use the right at hand. Ducks for the table exact measurements, pulled-stretch- light yellow paint and varnish which, are always relished, however, if proped to their utmost-and tacked down; at best, only poorly imitates "light erly fattened and afford a welcome left to gather six or twelve months' oak." And in passing, I may add that addition to the home bill of fare. dirt, and then lifted, beaten, and laid this is true also of the finish of standagain, year after year; moth-gather- ing woodwork. An honest paint is ing, difficult to sweep, and seldom far better and, if well chosen as to really clean.

We have learned much since those grained imitations of hard wood.

study to hunt up materials, and de- inexperienced worker. floor and rug problem is well settled, ly toned walls, but even here the floor otherwise well regulated farms. the result outlasts the life of any and rugs must be dark enough to hold | How many farmers there are who altars, and which were being imitated the vile conduct of the sons of Eli, ordinary old-time carpet, and in the room down. cleanliness and artistic charm gives | Carpeting Makes Inexpensive Rugs. even greater value.

to rugs is that the floors are too poor for rugs.

The for finishing. Sometimes this is true, When there is need for a simple because it comes so early in the spring of the priestly family of Aaron. On matter. See 2: 12-17, 22-25, 27-36. for finishing. Sometimes this is true, when there is need for a simple before any other vegetables are to be the occasion of his coming to Eli gifts Now, in his vision of the night, he but often a good lot of crack filler but inexpensive floor covering, nobut often a good lot of crack filler out mexpensive floor covering, had. Horseradish and pieplant are were brought and a bullock was slain is made to understand that this in-

If wide boards are warped and roll a rug of sewn ingrain carpet, in a has a strawberry bed, some currants, Lord." finish very thin soft pine strips, 14 not easy to find ingrains of no pattern to % of an inch in thickness, and at all, it may be possible to get those, which do not have to be hilled un to % of an inch in thickness, and at an, it may be possible to get those, which do not have to be hilled up which required all priests to be of that strained them not. No mere sacrifice these may be driven in and then or the brussels, in very close an-over every few days, which need not be tribe cannot yet have been in force. or offering to Jehovah could make up planed down to the level of the floor. patterns, and these, too, will make billed up at all. It can be buried in planed down to the level of the floor. patterns, and these, too, will make up fulled up at all. It can be buried in the celler before frost strikes it and the celler before f Such thin strips may also be driven good sewed rugs (without a border, of under the mop-boards when the floor course,) and are far preferable to the used for into the winter. What is a under the mop-boards when the floor course,) and are far preferable to the used far into the winter. What is a child, as really as that of the high and the pure heart. is drawn away from them; though a average large patterned ready-made salad without celery, and how much priest, as a service rendered to the soun is improved by a few dried leaves of the soun is improved by a few dried leaves. better put down all around the floor ingrain rug that it is too light in soup is improved by a few dried leaves Lord. edge and painted or stained the floor weight to lay well, but this may be for flavoring. color. The filling up of all shabby overcome by sewing a small brass rutabagas and turnips can all be used is to say, that there were few promand he told him every whit. There are fresh vegetables in the winter in putty does, when they dry) will floor. greatly improve the floor surface, and this work should at least be done The home-made rug was never more and cucumbers are no longer the lux- the religious teachers and leaders of was not long until the blow fell, and around the floor edges of the room popular than now, and the woman is ury of a few short days in the summer Israel. and far enough in to give a border of fortunate who can make a well- as they were once. Through the de- 2-3. In the temple. This was the in battle, Eli himself died of a broken from one to two and a half feet when shaped, braided or pulled rug. In these velopment of early and late varieties, old temple of Shiloh, which was short- heart. the rug is to cover the centre of the days of easily used dyes and good a judicious series of plantings and the ly after destroyed by the Philistines.

is usually not as desirable as several from may make drawn rugs wonder- foed. smaller ones, and here the whole floor fully well-not by reproducing the old If you have a good garden you can for Samuel's solicitude and attention.

with two coats of paint, and for simple stencil border. oughly hard before using. It is a poor other simple combination, and then a splendid variety. plan to hurry any job of wood finish- dye the rags for it, doing the rug ing, where paint or varnish is used. | itself as pick-up work. If an old floor of hard wood and not In the old-fashioned braided rugs,

too poor, it is refinished by first re- too, there is a better result if care is moving all of the old varnish or wax, taken to choose good colors, and there and then using a mixture of raw lin- are little tricks of bringing out some floor often shows water spots.

strong contrasts in the colorings of like finish to the handcraft; for it is your potato yields this year? the large surfaces in our rooms, we always this which makes the home- Experiences. — Actual experiences sow the fertilizer along the furrow. will see to it that the floor color and made article superior to the one made will interest you. The first is in Follow this by putting in a light the rug are equally dark. A dark rug in the factory. It can have no true Dundas County where Mr. Jos. covering of soil before you drop the en a light floor downstairs, and light art value unless it has excellence in Laughlin tried out fertilizers of difare common mistakes, which, in each Woven rag rugs are still very manure, on a typical potato soil, givease, make the floor colors conspicu- popular, and these, like the others, ing the whole field equal attention, izer or injury will be done to the ous and the room appear much small- may be very attractive if the dyeing outside of the fertilizer. He reports seed piece. This precaution is taken er. The rug and floor do not need, and rag-sewing is well planned. the following yields: 300 lbs. of 4-8-4 care of in the potato planter.

dark tone before shellacking same, which there are several.

The brooding may be done in either given twice each day.

corn at night, will fatten healthy ducklings in ten days to two weeks. If you are to keep ducks in summer for breeding, give them a grass run and do not feed any fattening food. Whether or not one can make a profit on ducks depends on whether

### Have You a Garden?

days, and no one who has once tried Oak is about the only hard wood devoting his whole farm to some more of his mother's vow, he was to be a to an earthly master is now called to 1 egg, slightly beaten ..... 4 thep. cide upon the suitable colorings and It is possible to use lighter floors say it, but it is true—there is many shaving or cutting the hair. The vow message. From that moment, young quality, but it pays to do the work in bedrooms, with light-toned rugs, a fifty-foot lot in the city that boasts was, we may believe, a protest against as he was, he was a prophet of God. thoroughly, for when once the room's light standing woodwork and delicate- a better garden than thousands of drunkenness and certain other forms 11-14. Against Eli. No doubt the

do not know the taste of asparagus, at the altars of Jehovah. and yet there is not a more delicious, In the second place, Samuel was who was both priest and judge, did So much for our floors and the more healthful or more easily grown dedicated to the service of God in the not deal more sternly with them. He fin'sh we may give them, but the vegetable. It requires little space and sanctuary at Shiloh, where he was to must also have known that a pro-In old houses the usual objection greater question to-day is what to use little care. It some especially good

openings, either with strips or the ring at each corner, to sup over a as fresh vegetables in the winter in phets. The words open vision mean is scarcely anything in the entire history way. Maybe everyone knows, that there were rew promand he told him every whit. There are called large headed tack which has been the same way. Maybe everyone knows, the same way. Maybe everyone knows, the same way. new crack fillers (which are called large neaded tack which has been the same way. Maybe everyone knows either frequent or widely spread pro- tory more pathetic than the humility that, but there are thousands who had been to the same way. The words open vision mean is scarcely anything in the entire historic because they do not shrink, as never do it.

Small Rugs Best for Bedrooms.

stencil patterns, any woman who can easy, safe methods of canning now in Eli was advanced in years and his In bedrooms, however, one large rug find some old-time expert to learn use, they have become a year-around eyes had begun to wax dim (Revised

dog or flower design, but by making truthfully say that you live on a farm; When he heard the voice he supposed Very old floors should be finished rather plain centres, and following a if you have not you only exist there. it to be that of his master who re-You might just as well be in the city. quired his assistance.

especially good results add a little To work up a rug of this kind one Have you ordered any new flowers. The lamp was lighted in the evengood hard floor varnish to the paint should first plan a color scheme, say this year? Try one or two new ones ing and burned all night in the sancused for the second coat. Let the first two or three shades, or blue to be every year-there are thousands of tuary (Exod. 27: 20-21; 30: 7-8). coat dry well before putting on the used on a tan ground with dark blue them-and you will have lots of fun 4-8. "Here am I." Samuel is presecond, and let this, too, become thor- and brown edging the border, or any watching them and will soon develop sented here in a very attractive light.

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INTERNATIONAL LESSON.

MAY 2.

1-21. Golden Text, Prov. 23: 23.

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Bushels. No. Farms.

# Fertilizing Potatoes

By Prof. Henry G. Bell.

Potato Yields Important.—Potato the row and works it in beside the Give the wood all it will absorb of are joined. For instance, little arrow yields depend very largely on plantthis, rubbing it on with one cloth and heads come out in the pattern if one food supply. Extensive investigation food and is quickly taken up by the wiping dry with another. Or the floor braids with two strands of a dark in farm management among 400 young potato plant as soon as the may have a coat of shellac and then color and one strand of a shade much potato farms in New Jersey shows roots get well started. Some potato one of varnish; or be rubbed with lighter, and then lays the braids tofleor wax instead of a varnish. This gether with the light parts touching increase of potato yield per acre. Men the fertilizer broadcast, that is, they and horses handle as many crop acres drill it in through the fertilizer dropfloors as well, and if the wax is ap- In any attempt to make braided or on the heavy-yielding farms as upon per of the grain drill before the poplied two or three times a year the pulled rugs, all of the materials should the light-yielding farms." These findfloor becomes in time very beautiful, be colored and sewed before the rug ings are of special interest to Ontario they put on from 200 to 300 lbs. of but this treatment cannot be used in work begins; and there should be, potato growers since potato prices fertilizer with the potato planter. kitchens or bathrooms as a waxed somewhere near, the helpful advice of rule high. Cost of production is also This gives a wider distribution of the an experienced old-time worker, to very high. Why not make your farm fertilizer. If you do not have either Knowing that we should avoid all tell how to give a good firm workman- and labor count for all possible in a grain drill or potato planter, strike

ferent quantities with and without as usual. Do not let a piece of poof course, to be of the same color, We cannot lay too much stress on fertilized yielded 161 bus. of potatoes but a medium dark green rug on a choosing rugs in relation to the color per acre; 700 lbs. of 4-8-4 yielded 200 closely allied. Investigation among medium dark oak or a brown painted scheme of the other furnishings so bus. per acre; 200 lbs. 4-8-4 plus 5 the New Jersey potato growers floor will make a room appear richer that the effect of the whole may be loads of manure yielded 233 bus. per acre; 400 lbs. of 4-8-4 plus 5 loads of following table shows: bordered by a strong contrast of light No article on floor coverings should manure yielded 306 bus.; 10 loads of Relation of Potato Yields to Labor ignore the needs of the kitchen. Here manure per acre yielded 187 bus.; no This statement is not made for the nothing is better than the raw linseed manure and no fertilizer yielded 80 Av. Yld., Acre. purpose of condemning all rooms hav- oil and turpentine for wiping hard bus. Mr. Laughlin reports his costs ing light floors of hard wood (for wood; the two coats of paint and a at \$85.50 per acre. You can easily these of course are genuine and for- waterproof varnish finish for soft figure his profits. He says, "We tunately, their colors will darken) but wood, or a covering of the whole floor found the experiment very valuable simply to show why artists advise with one of the good quality linoleums, indeed, so much so that we shall enstaining a new oak floor to a medium or a substitute lower in price, of deavor to secure fertilizer for some

potato ground next year." What Fertilizers to Use .- Potatoes Other Information That Counts also containing a little grit and char- thrive on a sandy to gravelly loam Besides fertilization, the soil should coal. After the ducklings are a month, soil. This is a type of soil that must be thoroughly tilled, should contain old they can have a little hard grain be heavily fed, if it is to do its best. an abundant supply of humus, and a day but until they are well The potato crop also repays abundant potatoes of high yielding type should It requires four wast to incubate grown the mash, which at the be- feeding. Since potatoes contain so be planted. Numerous diseases and duck eggs, and hens, ducks or incu- ginning was fed four or five times a much starch, they are great lovers of insects prey upon the potato. These bators can be used. On all large duck day and the number of feeds subse- potash. On normal potato soil with- must be controlled by spraying if farms incubators are used exclusively. quently gradually reduced, should be out manure you should apply from best results are to be obtained. 750 to 1000 lbs. of high grade fertil- Be Ready.-Potato planting wil of these three ways but, like the in- All ducks must be marketed when izer per acre in order to get best soon be here. Be prepared to take cubating, is done artificially when from eight to twelve weeks old belarge numbers are handled. The same cause that is the time when the pin duced to 500 to 600 lbs. per acre. your supplies of seed, fertilizers, and chicks can be used for ducklings but chicks can be used for ducklings, but marketed when not over twelve weeks The analysis we would advise should spray material, see that these are ob-

the feed must be different. Ducklings old they begin to grow a new coat of require mash feed, starting with feathers and begin to lose flesh. A bread moistened with milk, containing ration of one part wheat bran, one little grit and a little fine chargoal a little grit and a little fine charcoal, and then gradually changing to a mixture of one part cornmeal, two parts bran, mixed crumbly with milk or ture of one part cornmeal, two parts bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with water and bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with milk or become proper for potato planting.

How to Apply Fertilizer.—Fertil-become proper for potato planting.

Most profitable results are obtained by proper soil management, plant-bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with a hearty feed of cracked bran, mixed crumbly with water and bran, mixed crumbly with milk or become proper for potatoes by the constructed potatoes by the constructed potatoes by the specially constructed potatoes by the constructed potat

He jumps from his bed quickly to serve his beloved friend and teacher, and does so again and yet again. Eli tities may prove useful to the house shows his affection for him by saying wife: (All measurements are taken to him gently, "My son,"

have known, of course, the name of 16 tbsp. (dry material) .....1 Jehovah as the great God of Israel, in 14 thsp. (liquid) .........1 whose temple he was serving. But he 2 cups butter, packed solid .. 1 had not yet received any revelation 2 cups sugar ............1 from God. He had not yet been called 2 cups meat, finely chopped.1 The Boy Samue!-1 Sam. 1: 24-28; 3: to the prophetic ministry, and in that 22-8 cups powdered sugar ... 1 sense did not yet know the Lord. Eli, 22-3 cups brown sugar .....1 1: 24-28. Lent to the Lord. The preted rightly the strange new exout of the wisdom of a long life, inter- 22-3 cups oatmeal ..........1 

to go back to the full-sized carpets. maple and hard pine being too close feed, but he is never justified in cheat- Num. 6) appears to have been subject 9-10. "Speak Lord, for Thy servant True, one has to think now of the in grain to hold any preparation ex- ing his family out of fresh vegetables to such a vow, either for life, or for a heareth." This is the word both of finish of the floor as well as of the cepting possibly an acid stain, and when a half-acre and a few hours' certain limited time, during which he faith and of obedience. The Voice, Trug expense, and it takes time and this treatment is not often used by an care will give them all they can eat. was required to abstain from wine, unheard by any one but Samuel him-And yet-it is a shame to have to from touching a dead body, and from self, reveals a truth and gives him a

little care. It seems especially good by, the chief priest, Eli, a descendant dressed to Eli regarding the same and hard work will make a very disthing is better than to have a rug
two other perennials which should
never be left out. Of course everyone
the yard. Imagine a brown floor with
the yard. Imagine a brown floor with up along the edges they may be plain gray, tan or mouse color. This gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and single and roll a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and sewn ingram carpet, in a rug of sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and sewn ingram carpet, in a gooseberry and raspberry bushes and gooseberry and raspberry bushes and gooseberry and raspberry bushes are gooseberry and raspberry bushes and gooseberry and raspberry bushes are gooseberry and gooseberry and gooseberry bushes are gooseberry and go up sleng the edges they may be plain gray, tan of mouse color. This maybe some cultivated blackberries. acted as attendant or servant to Eli, one that heareth it shall tingle. The planed down (always seeing to it of with neutral toned wans would give course, that nails are first driven every chance for the use of strong is saily neglected. Almost any gardown farther than the plane will run; color and design in draperies, cushdown farther than the plane will run; color and design in draperies, cush and for the extremely wide cracks it ions and small furnishings, and the Nor is it as much trouble as most and for the extremely wide cracks it lons and small furnishings, and the power to put a stop priesthood. It is worthy of note that to it; but like a too indulgent father, prople seem to think. There are satis. is possible to get any carpenter to result is a good room. Or, it is people seem to think. There are satis- Samuel did not belong to the tribe of he had only mildly reproved them. Has factory varieties on the market now

> The word of the Lord was precious, hasty to bear such a message to his Beets, carrots, cabbages, parsnips, or rather was rare, in those days. That patron and friend. But at Eli's comof Samuel that prophets became num- from the lips of his pupil and submit-Beans, spinach, tomatoes, peas, corn erous, and came to be recognized as ting himself to the hand of God. It at the tragic news of his son's death

> > No harp with its dulcet, golden string, Nor lute nor lyre with liquid ring, Is sweet as the robin's song.

Household Weights and Measures. The following comparisons of quan-

Samuel did not yet know. He must 3 teasp. ....... 1 obs



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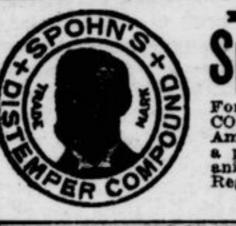
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Respect for the Child's Possession

It is no wonder that during infancy and early childhood life's lessons are so difficult for the small beginner when the laws which govern them must seem to him just or unjust, cona sisten or inconsistent, according to the knowledge or the caprice of the adult administering them.

One of the first lessons which the little child should learn is the proper oz. care of his own possessions and respect for those of others, and a mother has the first opportunity to inculcate this important life lesson.

Since one of the strongest instincts of the child is to imitate, there seems no more logical way to teach this lesson than by example. If a mother teaches her child not to touch the articles on her desk or dressing table without her permission, then has she the right to dispose of his toys without his permission?

The writer recalls an instance where a mother secretly put away a doll which had been given to her little girl, and for no reason except that the child already had a number of dolls and this particular one was "too beautifully dressed to be played with until the child was older.

Another common way of disregarding children's rights is to force them to give up some newsor much-prized possession. For example, a little girl of six, who was delighted with the gift of a doll's fan, was obliged by her mother to hand it to her screaming baby in order to quiet him. In his excitement he soon crushed the tiny toy, his screams increased, and his little sister was broken-hearted! Nor had the unjust and short-sighted mother "saved the scene" which she had hoped to avert.

In each of these cases the child should have been consulted and her permission given before the mother disposed of the plaything. In this way the mother could have explained the reasons for her own action, and the child, in her turn, would have had an opportunity of expressing herself, a habit which should be encouraged. Then, too, personal responsibility for her possessions and the recognition of the right of ownership would have emphasized the difference between "mine" and "thine."

There is no better way to create habits of orderliness and a sense of responsibility than by giving the child a place for keeping his playthings and then allowing him full control of these

Show him how to use his books. how to take care of his toys, how to protect his pets, and then see to it that he has a shelf or a small book-

case for his books, a play corner for his toys, and an appropriate home for After playt me require him to put

away whatever he has been using, and let him understand the necessity upon his character since possession entails responsibility. Ownership also teaches generosity, for without possessions how can a child learn to

It may not be out of place in advising parents to respect their children's possessions to add a warning on behalf of the children. Do not surround them with numberless ready-made spools, scissors, thread, cloth, dolls, paper, crayons, clay, sand, and books. They will get more happiness from these possessions of constructive possibilities than from all the finished toy shops in the land. "Childhood has its own way of see-

ing, thinking, and feeling, and nothing is more foolish than to try to substitute our own for them. Respect your child's right to his

possessions and he will learn to respect the rights of others, and, with such recognition, there will be no fear for the outcome of his place in so-

Why the Little Dog Laughed. Little Bo-Peep, she lost her sheep, Couldn't tell where to find them: So she sent out the call to look for

them all-The sheep and their tails behind

Then Jack and Jill went up the hill Determined for to find them; And Little Boy Blue he looked for them, too-But the sheep kept their tails be-

hind them. Old Mother Hubbard went to the cup-If haply she might find them:

But the cupboard was bare, -no mutton was there .-Not even the tails behind them

Then the little dog laughed to see such sport, For he was the one to find them:

them home.

Wagging his tail behind them!

And up through the meadow he drove

Chosen seed will grow no weed.

Soak handkerchiefs in a pail of salt and water before putting them into the ordinary wash water.

Laugh at your own troubles never at others, Troubles will be strangers to you, men be brothers.

**Tipsy Plants** 

Sir Jagadis Chandra Bose, an ful microscope with which one

actually see a plant growing! The instrument is composed single magnetic lever, which, by

Finny Veterans.

Not Strong Enough.

Again, 'awfully' Now, repeat your

Muricl obediently repeated: "I like chocolate cake; it

"That's better, dear," said But it sounds as if I was about bread," protested the If

A solder has been invente holds rimless lerises against t parts of eyeglasses without

Consider the fish: he ner caught so long as he keeps hi

He who drops a penny in tribution plate generally en 55 sermon in return.

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