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Agricultural.

CULTURE OF THE POTATO.

Our country readers will find the following letter in regard to the potato disease, and the culture of the potato, during the last two or three years, of various kinds of soil or middle. Last summer, my vegetable gardens were attacked with a disease resembling in appearance the potato rot. After the first frost set, and the size of the potatoe egg, the decaying flowers became covered with a small stalked purple fungus, which, on being gently shaken, emitted a cloud of purple dust; and with this fungus, a brown decay made its appearance among the immature seeds and surrounding tissue, commencing at the end next to the flower and gradually spreading towards the stalk. I was inclined to attribute the disease to the spores of the fungus having traversed the tissue of the stems, and thus become deposited in the interior of the fruit.

The theory which attempts to explain the potato disease by means of a parasitical fungus upon the leaves of the potatoe, is a very plausible statement, and is the opinion of the Editor of this journal is too high to admit of any doubt being entertained as to the accuracy of that which has been advanced by the facts. It is also, however, to the part of the stem in which the brown decay commences that we must chiefly direct our attention during the ensuing summer. I would recommend every scientific farmer to examine, from time to time, this portion of the stem in some of his potatoe beds, and to be particularly attentive to the state of the stem at the origin of the disease, I shall copy another extract from the same journal, containing some important observations upon the latter subject. The Editor, however, as he states, an imitation of theories as to the cause of the disease, and the culture of the potatoe, is not the object of this journal, and correspondents, expresses his intention of not inserting for the future any more speculation upon the subject. He then proceeds to say:—

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the tubers next to the root (usually called the drop end), and in the course of the vessels, I thought it not unlikely that the mold might have been caused by the dispersion of the spores in the tuber. I was led to look for these fungi from the appearance of the leaf, and from the remarkable prevalence, during the last two or three years, of various kinds of mould or mildew. Last summer, my vegetable gardens were attacked with a disease resembling in appearance the potato rot. After the first frost set, and the size of the potatoe egg, the decaying flowers became covered with a small stalked purple fungus, which, on being gently shaken, emitted a cloud of purple dust; and with this fungus, a brown decay made its appearance among the immature seeds and surrounding tissue, commencing at the end next to the flower and gradually spreading towards the stalk. I was inclined to attribute the disease to the spores of the fungus having traversed the tissue of the stems, and thus become deposited in the interior of the fruit."

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