Agriculture, &c.,

SUGAR-BEET CONTRASTED WITH MANGOLD. Sugar-beet is being extensively cultivated in Great Britain as food for stock, and for this purpose it is fast coming into competition with mangold. A Correspondent of the Agricultural Gazette says that, as a rule, the sugar-beet does not grow as large as the mangold, and therefore to ensure the same weight per acre more must be grown. To make this plain, he presumes that in an ordinary crop of large mangold there will be from sixty to eighty roots to the perch. Now, in sugar-beets there should be about two hundred roots to the same area. This increase of the individual roots will compensate for their lightness, and the gross yield of the sugar-beet will probably be as great as that of mangold. Already they are running each other pretty close in the Lavenham district. The heaviest crop of sugar-beet this year weighed in the gross thirty-one tons per acre. The best crop of mangolds weighed in the gross thirty-one tons per acre. The best crop of mangolds weighed one ton less, or thirty tons per acre. Weighed without tops the mangolds reached twenty four tons per acre, and the sugarbeets twenty one and a half tons. The number of mangolds per perch was one

hundred; of sugar-beets, two hundred. These facts and figures point a lesson and indicate the direction improvement should take in regard to sugar-beet. Many a one who remmembers the first crop of mangolds, with their uncouth roots and coarse large leaves, and contrasts them with the fine stock and small leaves of the most approved sorts of to-day, will see, at a glance, that the same course of selection and crossing, if needful, must be pursued with the sugar-beet. Among the crops now there are great differences in regard to top and habit. These have been noted by the growers, and most of them are saving their own seed from what they consider the best samples. It is probable that in a few years there will be model crops of sugar-beet, with little, if any, greater development of top than among the best mangolds. Once this is accomplished, the roots may go even closer. together, and as, bulk for bulk, they weigh heavier than common mangold, it follows that by-and-by we shall have as heavy, or even heavier, crops of the sugar-beet per acre.—Canada Farmer.

A CHEAP GRUBKILLER.-Dissolve a coffeecup full of salt in hot water, then put into a common sized watering pan, and fill up with cold water. Just give each plant a gentle switch over with this mixture, and they will disappear in a moment, and the salt and water will nourish the plants wonderfully. All greens are fond of salt and water. Some people would be afraid of killing their cauliflowers; but it must be borne in mind that the salt and water will not penetrate the leaves. It runs off to the roots, killing every caterpillar in its way .- Gardener's Magazine.

INFLUENCE OF RAILBOADS ON THE HATCHING OF EGGS .- A peculiar effect of the proximity of railroads on the hatching of eggs has been mentioned in various papers. It has been found that there are scarcely any chickens raised in poultry yards which are situated in the immediate neighbourhood of the rails of a much frequented railroad. This fact is supposed to result from the earthquake-like trembling shaking the soil caused by passing trains, which exert an unfavourable influence on the eggs. - Ex.

A case of hydrophobia in a cow is reported in the Farmer (Scottish) of February 2nd. During the past few months, it is stated, many cases of the kind have occurred in the same neighbourhood (Alcomden, near Hebden Bridge) among pigs, cows, and horses, as well as among dogs and cats, and several instances of the disease in the human subject are also reported.

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MESSENGER ALMANACK.

May, 1870.

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