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Agriculture.

SPRING WORK.

THE FRUIT GARDEN.

Orchards-need to have the fertility of the soil kept up ; give them well-rotted manure. Wood ashes saturated with soap suds may always be applied with advantage, old, neglected orchards may be made productive if the soil is properly worked around the trees and dead and clinging limbs removed.

Grafting-on poor varieties of trees if sound and healthy may be readily made to produce good marketable fruit; ured with fity-four bushels of soot, in from three to six years the grafts will commence to bear, which will be sooner than if young trees were plant-

Stawberries-Set out plants as soon as the ground is in working condition. The easiest way to manage a bed is to set out a new one every season, and allow the runners to grow together plant in 3 rows 2 feet apart with the plants one foot distant in the rows.

Raspberries require to be planted from 4 to 6 feet apart and may be tied to stakes or trellises.

KITCHEN GARDEN.

Cold-Frames must be open every day, except when cold storms occur, when the sash may be raised a few inches at the back.

Carrots .- Sow when the ground is rots. warm and dry; use plenty of seed, As soot is derived from a combinathat they may break the ground well; tion of different substances, its combin- Teaching. Commentaries, Maps of Palestine, keep clear of weeds.

Cauliflowers - The righer the ground in which these are planted, the better will be the prospect of a good

Radi-hes-Sow in drills, a few each week. Market gardeners sow between rows of beets, as they will be used before they are in the way of the beets.

Rhubarb-Fork in manure around the plants. New beds are made by dividing the old roots so as to have a bud to each piece. Set four feet apart each way.

Manure, and plenty of it, is essential in gardening. Guano and fine bone are among the most certain fertilizers. Much can be done in the way of liquid manure by saving house-slops: this must be used weak; on growing plants it will often work wonders.

Grouping of Shrubs produce a pleasing effect; they should never be trimmed into formal shapes, but the natural habit of each one be consulted when cutting is necessary.

they should be so placed as to cut off plenty of work to do before beginning the view of objects on one's own place to plow. or that of a neighbor, which it is desirable to hide.

Trees and shrubs, when planted, make grateful returns for good treatment. Give all evergreens-save those used for screens-abundant room to develope, and never remove a lower branch, unless it is diseased or dead.

FLOWER GARDEN.

Herbaceous perennials may be raised from the seed. The number of Valley.

Hardy Bulbs-To have the best flowers, fresh bulbs must be plauted every Fall, but Hyacinths, Tulips, Crocuses, and the rest may be left in from year to year, and flower tolerably; Crown Imperials and Lilies ares best when undisturbed.

Tender Bulbs and Tubers are set in Spring, taken up in Fall, and kept over Winter in the cellar. Gladiolus, Tiger flower, Tuberose, Amaryllis, Dablias, Cannas, and others, are all worth the trouble.

Annuals are tender and hardy; the tender, such as Balsams, Cockscombs, Amaranths, etc., need to be started under glass or in the house windows, and not put out until the weather is warm. Many others may be sown in the open ground as soon as it can be worked. Candtuft, Mignionette, Drummond's Phlox, and many others every one knows.

ornamental; a plant of 8 or 10 feet them so as to lie compact and insure high.

SOOT AS A MANURE. -- As a top dresssing for grain crops and grass, soot is a manure of great value. Its effects are generally limited to one season, and it is more powerful in a wet season than a dry one. The quantity necessary to be applied varies from thirty to forty bushels per acre, and it is generally spread by hand. When well pulverized it can be spread by a machine. Mixed with salt, it has been found to produce astonishing results, when appplied to carrots, parsnips turnips or potatoes. In Amesley's experiments, recorded in the journal of he Royal Agricultural Society of England, it is shown that land manmixed with six bushels of salt, yielded twenty-two tons, one hundred weight of Altringham carrots per acre, while the same kind of soil, manured with twentyfour bushels of bone dust, yielded twenty-one tons one hundred weight; and with twenty-four tons of stable manure, twenty-eight tons eight hundred weight.

In another experiment, made by Mr. Cartwright, while land without any manure yielded 157 bushels of potatoes per acre, thirty bushels of soot increased the crop to 191 bushels, and thirty bushels of soot mixed with eight bushels of salt, produced 240 bushels. By as small a quantity as seven bushels of soot mixed with eight bushels of salt, very astonishing results have been produced, when the mixture was trenched into land preparing for car-

ation is variable. It value, however, S. School Reward Cards, Children's Tracts, may be ascertained from the fact that it contains ammonia, gypsum, phosphate of lime and potash. Lime ought never to be mixed with soot, as it drives off the ammonia. The proper time for applying soot as a top dressing is in the early part of spring. Every farmer might add to his crops and prevent the risk of destructive fires, by carefully collecting soot at least once a month from his caimneys, stove pipes, smoke houses, etc., and hoarding it up for application to his crops in spring, mixing it with salt to increase its fertilizing power .- Western Rural.

PLOWING .- In plawing one may make more haste 'but get 'less speed. No plough should be put into ground that is wet, or when the soil sticks to a bright steel mold-board. If water is seen in the furrow, ploughing should be stopped, although the surface may seem dry. The nearer plowing and seeding can be brought together, the better will it be for the crop. It will be better to run two plows by and by, In "Planting out," trees and shrubs | than begin a day too soon. There is

EARLY PASTURING is a mistake. The stock is made dissatisfied, and lose Do. their appetite for dry food. Trampling is very injurious to the soft soil, which does not recover from it for several years. The injury to the grass is serious. Wait until the ground is dry, and there is a full bite upon the pastures. Never pasture a meadow in the spring.

DRY PEAS FOR COOKING .- The really good things is large; we enume- Blue Imperial pea is one of the few peas rate some that are readily obtained and | which cook soft after ripening. Look excellent: Anemone Pulsatilla, one over, wash and put to cook in four times of the earliest in the spring, and A. their measure of water. They cook Japonica, var. Honorine Jobert, the more evenly without soaking. Cook last in Fall; this last cannot be praised | slowly in a closely covered pot three too highly; Columbines, all good; hours, if not very old, or until any of Chrysanthemums, Pinks. Perennial them mash readily between the thumb New Germany-Adam E. Durland. Candy-tuft; Lilies, Pæonies, Oriental and finger. If cooked slowly, they Poppy, Phlox, Violets and Lily of the will not boil to pieces. Salt, if at all, before dishing, and serve without drain-

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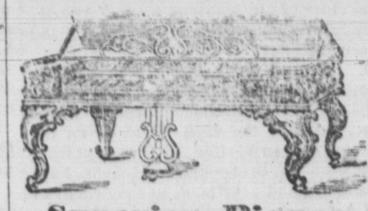
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