

# The Planter's Banner.

Gardening in Southern Louisiana.

## FOR NOVEMBER.

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Office—  
Mustard, can be sown during  
the month, carrot, parsnip, cele-  
ste, parsley, corn salad, spin-  
ach, black Spanish, or winter  
onion are of the more  
valuable, and hardly ever  
planted in this month.  
Lettuce, beet,  
Order office, and money due  
this Post-office from any.  
In sowing them, the  
selected position should  
be made.  
Toats, such as cabbage, let-  
tuce, etc., if large enough,  
Franklin, transplanted. Sage, thyme, and  
weeds may be divided and set out.  
bushes should have been sown last month,  
at any may be sown yet. If sown thinly,  
in rich soil, and transplanted as soon as  
large enough, they will give a fair yield yet,  
especially if the spring months are not too  
warm and dry. Onion sets and button on-  
ions can be planted now. Sow some late cab-  
bage seed during this, or early next month,  
in a sheltered place, to have plants  
large enough for transplanting by the end of  
January. They will make fine heads late in  
spring. It is rather too soon to sow the  
early varieties of cabbage seed, such as  
York, ox-heart, sugar-loaf, etc., in this  
month; next month and later is time enough  
to sow them.

During cold weather the young plants  
have to be protected; they are more tender  
than the drum-head varieties.  
English peas may be planted this month  
for an early crop, but only the late vari-  
eties, such as large, white and black-eyed  
marrowfat. The latter part of each month is  
ample time to commence with the early va-  
rieties. Broad Windsor, or English beans,  
should be planted during this month. If  
planted later they will not yield much.  
Strawberry plants can be set out as di-  
rected last month.

Asparagus beds should be cleared off and  
receive a covering of a few inches of well  
rotted manure.  
Later in the season a top dressing salt will  
be very beneficial. Salt brine, from pork or  
fish will answer the same purpose.

Begin to prepare the ground for a good  
spring garden. Spade, and mix well with  
manure, and cover deep with litter till  
wanted in the spring. Then burn off the  
litter, and the surface will be in good order  
to receive small seeds.

This is a good time to transplant all kinds  
of evergreens, roses, etc. Orange trees may  
be planted also, but early in spring, just  
when the sap commences to raise, is the best  
time for them.

This month peach and other fruit trees  
may be transplanted. Peach trees to be  
transplanted should be cut back according to  
the size of the tree; about three feet above  
the ground is the most suitable height.  
All fruit trees should be staked when  
planted and the ground pressed hard around  
the tree, to keep the wind from shaking them.  
Grapes may now be planted in good,  
mellow soil, properly underdrained.

In transplanting orange trees mix plenty  
of old manure with the soil, be careful not  
to destroy the fine roots within a foot or  
two of the tree, spread all the roots out  
straight, avoid wadding them in bunches,  
throw fine, rich earth on them, press lightly  
with the foot, stake the tree to keep it from  
being shaken by the wind, and when the  
hole around the tree is nearly filled up with  
earth, pour in water copiously until the hole  
is full of water. When this settles away  
fill up around the tree with dry, rich earth,  
and let it remain so without pressing it  
down.

They should not be planted any deeper  
than they have been standing before.  
The roots should be as near the surface as pos-  
sible. When, by transplanting, the stem or  
trunk of the orange tree gets into the  
ground the ants will attack the tree, and  
may cause it to die.

Orange trees need a very rich soil.  
If the soil is very poor they pine away and  
die. Their immense supply of heavy food  
kept up the year round, and heavy  
crops of fruit draw largely on the soil for  
supplies. Old orange trees may be im-  
proved by making holes two feet deep with  
a pointed iron bar close up to the tree with-  
in a space of two feet all around, filling  
these holes with rich, liquid manure.

How cuttings can be made this month, as  
soon as we have a good frost, strong enough  
to kill the flower buds. They generally suc-  
ceed better made early than later in the  
month. The most varieties grow well in  
soil. Three or four cuttings should be  
ground, is the proper length of a cutting.  
Flower and garden seeds, when done  
in papers, are sometimes destroyed by mice.  
Well dried and put up in bottles that may  
be lying about the house, these seeds will be  
safe. If the bottles are neatly labeled, they  
put away in a cool, dry place, and a very  
pretty way of preserving seeds. The bot-  
tles should be washed and dried before be-  
ing filled.

The following table shows the proper dis-  
tance of garden vegetables between rows, or  
between hills or plants in a row:

Space between rows.	Space between hills or plants.
Onions	14 inches
Leek	6 inches
Garlic	10 inches
Carrots	12 inches
Celery	18 inches
Okra	18 inches
Peas	12 inches
Beans	12 inches
Spinach	12 inches
Brussels Sprouts	12 inches
Broccoli	18 inches
Cauliflower	24 inches
Brussels	18 inches
Turnip	12 inches
Beet	12 inches
Pepper	18 inches
Cucumber	24 inches
Cauliflower or mixing	24 inches
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