



THE OLD TIME GARDEN.

A Flower Garden of the Genuine American Colonial Type.

During the last few years there has been considerable talk of the increasing popularity of the old fashioned garden flower.

The results obtained from this old fashioned flower garden are not always satisfactory. One of the principal reasons of failure is because there is an attempt to import the whole thing from Europe.

What constitutes an old fashioned flower garden is perhaps harder to answer than appears on the surface.

In catering to the wants of the plants you develop your garden. This is the secret of the far famed gardens of the world.

The usual suburban lot of 50 by 100 feet, or whatever it may be, does not lend itself to any great landscape effects.

If the interest of the owner be once awakened and he begins to distinguish the different plants by name or to know the respective merits of the different varieties, from that time the garden is a success.

A WINTER BEAUTY.

The Colorado Blue Spruce an Exceptionally Beautiful Specimen Tree.

The fir and the spruce are evergreens of much elegance and dignity, with attractive variety in their tones of green and blue.



A COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE.

around their shoots. The fir have flat leaves, mostly two ranked. All are hardy and vigorous, especially our native species.

An exceptionally beautiful specimen tree, and one of the most important commercially, is the Abies pungens, or Colorado blue spruce.

With little pruning it grows into a dense, symmetrical shape, is hardy, vigorous and long lived. The foliage is a fine silver blue or sage color, somewhat variable, however, in colorings.

Structural Bees.

A method has been discovered by the experts of the department of agriculture to produce the Bermuda fly from disease. Of the millions of fly heads annually imported it is safe to say that 40 per cent are more or less infected by disease.

Have at least one hanging basket of marigolds. Few things are prettier.

The new carnation Fiancee received the first prize for the best fifty blooms of any variety at the world's fair show.

Three good all round crotches either for pot culture or bedding are Queen Victoria, Andromeda and Fasciata.

Cranberries thrive on sand and boggy ground which will produce nothing else of value.

The outlook for guano culture is encouraging. This makes the second year that guano has been shown and

BEAUTIFUL AMHERST

A NEW ENGLAND TOWN AND ITS IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

For Half a Century the Association Has Labored For Town Betterment. How Money is Raised to Carry on the Work.

The town of Amherst, in Hampshire county, Mass., might well claim to be the most beautiful hill town in New England, writes A. W. Atwood in the Outlook. Whether or not such a bold assertion can be proved, it is certain that whoever makes it has a threefold argument to rest his claim upon.

In 1788 the roads were all narrowed to their present ordinary width except the highway through the middle of the village, which was left for a common. As the common has always been in every sense the center of the village, the energies of the improvement association have been devoted almost solely to its betterment.

In 1853 the Massachusetts general court passed an act providing for societies "to encourage agriculture, horticulture or the improvement and ornamentation of the streets and public squares of any town by planting and cultivating ornamental trees therein."

Today the society has about 150 members, both men and women, who pay dues of a dollar a year. The sum of \$150 raised in this way is sufficient to keep the common in good condition.

The value of the work done by the improvement association has not by any means been confined to its care of the village common. Even in New England towns the spirit of materialism and commercialism is sometimes rife, and this spirit the society has constantly fought, in doing which it has exerted an educative influence not only upon the immediate community, but also upon the group of hamlets of which Amherst is the center.

When money was first spent to improve the common it was raised by a general tax upon all the villages comprising the town of Amherst. This method, however, was so strenuously objected to by the outlying villages that the association had to raise funds for the extensive improvements of 1875 by private subscriptions.

The people of Amherst have indeed been fortunate in having a man such as Frederick Law Olmsted to plan for them, but they are still more fortunate in possessing a keen appreciation of the practical as well as the aesthetic value of the village beautiful.

Good Roads Bring Trade.

Every farmer, every business man, it matters not in what part of the United States he resides, should take a lively interest in the good roads movement. There are few matters of such vital interest to the farmer, and the merchants of each and every town are just as much interested.

Town Planting a Forest.

Los Angeles, Cal., has 3,000 acres of brush land, called Griffith park, which it intends to convert into a commercial forest. This will be the first instance of a town in the United States creating a forest. The idea is to convert a waste piece of land into a productive forest, which will not only pay for its creation and care through the sale of mature timber, but will prove a constant source of pleasure and recreation for the citizens of Los Angeles.

A CHANGE OF PARTNERS

One summer evening a rowboat containing two young men and two young women was drifting idly on the Allegheny river above the city of Pittsburgh. They were two pairs of lovers, John Baron and Lillie Beck, Bartle Farr and Margaret Ferris.

John Baron was one of those phlegmatic, taciturn, undemonstrative fellows who usually choose their opposites, and in Lillie Beck he found exactly the girl to attract him.

It was in the days when nitroglycerin was supplied from above Pittsburgh on the Allegheny to the oil fields in Pennsylvania, floated down in stiletto-like boats some thirty feet long by four feet wide.

The party in the skiff had pulled far up the river during the afternoon, intending to drift down leisurely with the current in the twilight.

Twilight was fading into night, and they were still several miles above the city drifting down with the current. Margaret proposed that the men should take to the oars and was seconded by Baron.

When the night settled down upon them Farr and Miss Ferris were in the bow, Farr with his back between the two gunwales, Miss Ferris sitting on the foremost seat, facing him.

In another moment John Baron recognized the dim outline of a nitroglycerin boat coming straight for the skiff. At the same moment Farr, who had risen to see what was coming, recognized the danger.

Baron took in the situation at once. The men on the boat had been running her too late into the night, and on coming upon the skiff, after shouting a warning, had jumped overboard.

Baron knew that the nitroglycerin boat being without guidance would go on down the river, liable at any moment to cause great loss of life and property.

In this he ran a fearful risk. A rock or a root of a tree if struck would blow up the boat and him with it.

The next morning John Baron's feet were known in Pittsburgh and Allegheny, and he became a hero. As for the two men who steering the boat neither ever showed his face in that region again.

Bartle Farr, when he found that he had lost Miss Ferris, either to show that he was not incommensible or from sheer desperation, took up with the neglected Miss Beck. She was not a strong character. Farr made love liberally and was her. He derived some satisfaction in making the other two believe that he was just as well pleased as if the common had not existed.

CURRENT COMMENT.

A few resignations in the right places would make insurance doubly sure.—New York World.

At least seven cities are ready to claim the remains of John Paul Jones.—Chicago Tribune.

The army general staff has decided to retain the bayonet as part of the armament of an American soldier. May the time be long before he is called upon to use it!—Concord Monitor.

When we reflect that we run get-rich-quick men toward the penitentiary and elevate franchise grabbers to the rank of statesmen we are bound to admit that social distinctions are too delicate for us.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

A great naval battle is more horrible than one on land in the less chance of escape of the survivors and the horrible plight of many who work their heroic days and nights below decks. The real heroes are the men behind the fires.—Galveston Daily News.

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