

FARM FIELD AND GARDEN

POPULAR COS LETTUCE.

Paris White is Best For Either Private or Market Garden.

Paris White is a typical cos variety, strictly self closing, extremely large in comparison with either the butter or crisp sorts—large even for this group—late in season and slow to shoot to seed; plant fairly compact, decidedly upright; color very dark green, never spotted nor brownish in any part; quality excellent, very hard in texture.



PARIS WHITE COS LETTUCE.

but exceedingly crisp, sweet and of a quality and decided firmness which make a pleasant change from the soft buttery lettuces.

Paris White cos lettuce is one of the popular varieties of the United States. Varieties of this class are very largely grown in Europe, but in America these lettuces do not seem to succeed as well as the butter and crisp varieties and are not much grown. Many consider them the best of all in quality. They are hard and coarse in texture, but possess a sweetness, freshness and distinct quality which are often much liked. Those who have never grown this class of lettuce should try a few plants. It may not be possible to grow them as well as they are grown in Europe, but they are generally satisfactory whenever tried, especially this variety, which is perhaps as self closing and certainly as good in quality as any cos variety sold in this country. It is excellent for either the private or market gardener. It succeeds very well in summer and can be grown to an immense size. Vilmorin states that plants weighing six pounds have been grown.

Onions as a Money Crop.

Onions have become a staple money crop in many parts of the country.



DRILLING IN ONION SEED.

Their culture is of the intensive or model sort. They require good care, good work, in all ways. The cut from Country Gentleman shows the seed going in in the Connecticut valley.

How Roads Are Kept Up.

The funds used in the construction and repair of roads in the state of Washington are derived from two sources—a property tax and a poll tax. The property tax is levied by the boards of county commissioners and consists of:

A general road and bridge tax of not more than 4 mills on the dollar on all the taxable property in the county.

A road district tax of not more than 10 mills on the dollar on all the taxable property in the road districts outside the limits of incorporated cities or towns.

A special levy for turnpike roads of not to exceed 4 mills on the dollar on all property abutting on or within two miles of the road to be improved.

Every male inhabitant living outside the limits of incorporated cities and towns between the ages of twenty-one and fifty (unless by law exempt) is required to pay an annual poll tax of \$2 for road purposes.

Tomatoes on Clover Sod.

A much worse selection of soil could be made for tomatoes than clover sod. With some additions of animal fertilizers, ashes, potash salts, fish, acid phosphate, etc., a good crop should be grown. Cutworms may trouble the plants when first set. To kill these worms the best way is to scatter pieces of green sod, the grass side sprayed with a paris green solution here and there over the field to be planted. A paper collar placed around the stem at time of setting the plants, with lower edge entering in the ground, will keep the marauders off.

Only Pine Martens.

A series of gruesome incidents had terrified an English neighborhood. What made these incidents peculiarly horrible was their tragic mystery. Nobody could explain them. Sheep and lambs, which were in full health overnight, were found dead in the morning, their bodies uninjured, but drained of every drop of blood. Ghouls and vampires and all imaginable horrors were blamed, and the whole countryside was up. The damage continued, and in a single night a farmer had fourteen out of twenty-one lambs killed, and the same pen was chosen the next night, and the remaining seven lambs were destroyed. In the early peep of day the slayers were discovered, all hideous from their sanguinary work. They were neither men nor monsters, but a couple of pine martens, which, having routed a pair of magpies from their nest, had there made their home and thence nightly scoured the country round about.

Indispensability.

"No," said a lecturer, "it doesn't do to get swelled head and think you're indispensable to the welfare of this world."

"I was in the lobby of a big hotel in Cincinnati when a bus load of traveling salesmen came from the station. Every man of them as he signed the register paused to shake hands with the hotel clerk, a fatherly old fellow who had been there many years."

"Ah," said one of them to the clerk, "it's a good thing you're still on deck, Uncle Dave. I don't think the house could run without you."

"'Couldn't it, just?' said Uncle Dave. 'You fellows would come in here, and if there was a strange clerk you'd say, 'Where's Uncle Dave?'"

"And the clerk would say: 'Why, didn't you hear? He died a month ago.'"

"And then you'd say: 'Well, I'll be darned! That's too bad. Say, when'll dinner be ready?'"

Shortsighted Animals.

So far as naturalists have been able to ascertain there is no such thing as shortsight among animals in a state of nature. In the case, however, of domestic animals and wild ones in confinement shortsight is by no means unknown. Many people who have kept dogs and cats will remember instances of pets which were unable to distinguish friends from strangers at a short distance. Horses, too, frequently suffer from shortsight and other derangements of the vision, and this kind of thing is sometimes met with in the case of cattle. The diseases of the eye which frequently affect wild animals in captivity are to be chiefly attributed to the narrow space in which they are confined. The eyes are never exercised upon distant objects and therefore lose the powers which use of this kind calls forth.

The Glowworm Cavern.

The greatest wonder of the antipodes is the celebrated glowworm cavern, discovered in 1891 in the heart of the Tasmanian wilderness. The cavern or caverns (there appears to be a series of such caverns in the vicinity, each separate and distinct) are situated near the town of Southport, Tasmania, in a limestone bluff, about four miles from Ida bay. The appearance of the main cavern is that of an underground river, the entire floor of the subterranean passage being covered with water about a foot and a half in depth. These wonderful Tasmanian caves are similar to all caverns found in limestone formation, with the exception that their roofs and sides literally shine with the light emitted by the millions of glowworms which inhabit them.

Nose Drinking in Norway.

The Norwegian papers tell of a speedy and efficacious method of becoming intoxicated prevailing in the slums of Christiania. The Orbedlad describes how it is done. The drunkard fills the palm of his hand with "aque-vit" (strong corn brandy) and sniffs it through his nose. A few applications do the work, while the same quantity of liquor taken into the stomach would hardly be felt. "Nose drinking" has become a real vice with some individuals. The effect of it is terrible, because the whole nervous system is paralyzed in a moment, and the drunkard remains almost unconscious for several minutes. Afterward a sleepy fatigue is felt, as after smoking opium.

Not an Arrest, but a Rescue.

"You were arrested for striking your wife." "No, judge," answered the unworthy specimen of manhood who was on trial; "I had made a pass at her, and she was just reaching for the stove lid when the officers came and took me in charge. That wasn't an arrest. That was a rescue."—Washington Star.

Satisfactorily Defined.

Willie—Pa, what is the meaning of the expression "touch and go?" Papa—"It's very simple, my son. It means extreme speed and refers to the professional borrowers, who make a touch and go so fast you seldom see them again."

Men With Hearts.

"I don't believe bachelors have any hearts," she said. "Why, we're just the men who do have them," he replied.

"Why is that?" she asked. "Because we haven't lost them."

Relief From Ennui.

"Don't you ever get tired of doing nothing?" asked one. "Oh, yes," replied the other languidly. "Well, what do you do then?" "Take a rest."

Industry keeps the body healthy, the mind clear, the heart whole and the purse full.—Simmons.

A \$2,500 HOME.

Conveniently Arranged and Possessing All Modern Improvements. (Copyright, 1906, by Stanley A. Dennis, 234 Broadway, New York.)

The elevation and floor plans here shown present an up to date home with all modern improvements and conveniences, which may be erected in most places under normal conditions for \$2,500.

There is a cellar under the entire house, with concrete floor, coal bins, storeroom and a modern hot air furnace, which heats the entire house.

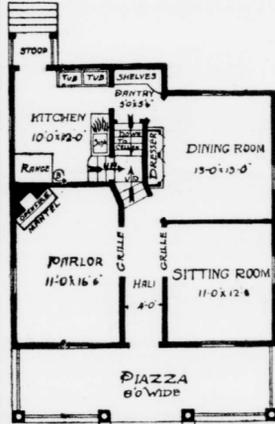
The frame is of hemlock lumber and timber. The walls are all sheathed and covered with two ply building paper.



FRONT ELEVATION.

narrow beveled siding and cypress shingles. The cornices are of white pine and cypress lumber and moldings. The main roof is covered with cypress dimension shingles on furring lath. The piazza columns are of turned white wood with caps and bases. The piazza floor is 1 1/2 inches thick, laid in white lead joints. The piazza is supported by brick piers with lattice-work between them. The piazza ceiling is of narrow North Carolina ceiling boards, finished in the natural wood. The balcony on the piazza roof is tinued and ceiled inside. All windows except those of the cellar have outside blinds of white pine hung with wrought iron hinges, spring back hooks, etc. The front door is of quartered veneered oak with bevel plate glass.

The exterior is painted with two good coats of white lead linseed oil



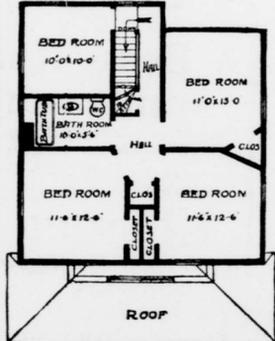
FIRST FLOOR PLAN.

paints of such colors as may be desired, except the shingles, which are stained.

The floors throughout the house are laid with narrow North Carolina pine tongued and grooved flooring boards nailed up tight. The plastering is of common mortar put on thick, finished with white lime, white sand and plaster of paris. The trim is of clear kiln dried cypress with five inch casings and plain molded caps. The doors are all five cross paneled. The stairs are of cypress with oak hand rails secured to the walls with adjustable iron brackets. The grilles on the first floor are also of cypress with neat brackets under the ends.

The mantel in the parlor is intended to be all brick with tiled hearth facings, etc.

The dining room dresser, pantry shelving, etc., are of cypress lumber



SECOND FLOOR PLAN.

moldings, with glass doors, adjustable shelves, drawers and closets to suit.

The kitchen and bathroom contain full modern plumbing and fixtures. The hardware throughout is of plain dark bronze metal with combination knobs, roses and escutcheons.

The entire interior is finished in the natural wood with one good coat of light liquid wood fillers properly rubbed down smooth and finished with two coats of light hard drying varnish properly rubbed in between coats.

Starboard and Port.

Why do the sailors call the right hand side of the ship "starboard" and the left hand "port?" For the answer it is necessary to go back to the days of the Norsemen and Saxons. In the viking ships the warriors hung the "boards," or shields, on the side of the ship above the places for their oars. The viking himself held the steer oar, which was fastened to the right hand side of the stern. Thus the right hand side of the ship became known as the steer side, and as the boards of the warriors were hung there it was called the "steerboard," or starboard side, while the lower, or lurking side, became the larboard. Board eventually became corrupted into port.

The Golden Crested Wren.

The golden crested wren is the smallest not only of British but of all European birds. Its average weight is only about eight grains Troy. The length of the feathers is about three and a half inches and the stretch of the wings about five inches, but when the feathers are taken off the length of the body does not exceed one inch.

A Poor Trade.

"Yes," said the African chieftain pleasantly, "I gave eight mules for my wife, and I must say that I got badly bunkoed."

"So?"

"That's what. It was found a case of swapping eight for one."—Louisville Courier Journal.

Nemesis.

Nemesis is lame, but she is of colossal stature, and sometimes, while her sword is not yet unsheathed, she stretches out her huge left arm and grasps her victim. The mighty hand is invisible, but the victim totters under the dire clutch.—George Eliot.

Thrust Upon Him.

"How did stupid old Boresome ever get a reputation for wit?"

"He was once interviewed by a brilliant young reporter."—Minneapolis Journal.

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