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Social Distinctions.

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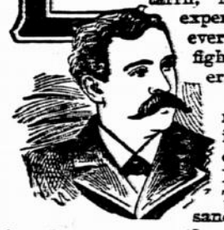

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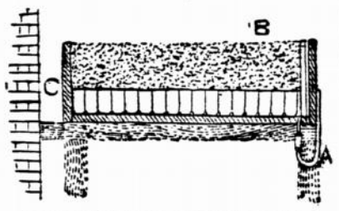
HORTICULTURE

LETTUCE EXPERIMENTS.

How the Vegetable Can Be Grown Indoors at All Seasons of the Year.

Lettuce in the vicinity of large cities is sold by the pound and the point is to raise as many pounds as possible per square foot of bench space. The Indiana experiment station, to determine the best mode of raising lettuce in the greenhouse, inaugurated a series of lettuce experiments. A bench was set with plants, one portion six inches apart each way and another portion three inches. Both were cut when the thicker setting was matured enough for marketing and the thinner setting still showed chances for further improvement. Contrary to expectations, it was found that the thicker setting gave the heavier yield, being 20 ounces to the square foot, against 11 ounces for the thin setting, a gain of over 80 per cent. The saving in time for growing the crop and the increased yield are both in favor of the thicker setting.

A prominent feature of the experiment was to transplant directly from seed beds into small pots, then after a



BENCH FOR SUB-IRRIGATING.

time plunge the pots into the bench with their rims a half inch below the surface soil. In this way the roots are disturbed but once and a ball of matted roots and soil is retained when the lettuce is sent to market, insuring its perfect condition for a longer period. Two crops were grown in this manner and so far as any effect on the lettuce could be traced, the results were in favor of the ordinary method of shifting rather than retaining the pots, which is also in accord with what is known regarding the early handling of other crops.

To test the value of subwatering, a bench was arranged four inches deeper than would otherwise be necessary, and over the bottom and three inches up the side it was lined with zinc. The zinc pan is closely filled with ordinary soft brick (c) set on edge. These first had the lower angles chipped off, so that there were small open spaces at the bottom where the bricks came together. A tube was passed along the side of the bench, curved around underneath, and coming up through the bottom was carefully soldered on. The bench is then filled with soil over the brick. The water is run in through the tube and quickly distributes itself over the bottom. It is gradually absorbed by the brick and slowly passes up to the soil above. The gauge (a) shows the depth of water in the zinc pans at all times. Water is introduced through the tube (b).

The results from this method of subwatering have been more satisfactory than was hoped for. It has been used for crops of lettuce and beans. The theoretical advantages have been more than fulfilled in practice. It is so serviceable that the station has no hesitation in saying that for some crops in particular it will be found of the greatest advantage and profit. The extra cost of preparing the benches, about 13 cents per square foot, is considerable, but the increased yield and better crops will speedily balance the account. The arrangement is shown in the accompanying engraving.—American Agriculturist.

ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

Arsenical spraying does effect circulio, and the results of the Bordeaux mixture in grape rot are even more marked.

The currant is a fruit of great excellence and very popular with almost everyone. The growing of this fruit is not overdone, yet it is about as easily grown and at as little expense as any fruit placed on the market.

A doctor who had been called to prescribe for some sick children, was honest enough to tell the father to buy apples for them and the doctor continued, "you think perhaps they are too expensive, but they are cheaper than any medicine."

The common cranberry is said to be an attractive plant when properly cultivated in pots, and can endure a good deal of neglect which would be fatal to other plants. It needs to be kept cool and moist. A compost of muck and sand is the proper material for potting it in.

We should not allow blue grass to set in our orchards as it consumes too much of the water so essential for the maturity of perfect fruit. The roots of blue grass have been known to penetrate the ground to the depth of 16 feet.—Western Plowman.

Barreling Apples and Pears.

In barreling apples it is quite safe to pile the apples as much as two inches above where the head will fit in the chine. If pressed down evenly there is elasticity enough in the apple skin to allow such compression without bruising it. If the apples are not thus pressed down they will shrink so as to be loose in the barrel, and will thus bruise in handling the barrels worse than they would if pressed down. Pears cannot be thus pressed down. They are best packed with a paper around each, which will keep it from touching its neighbor.

HINTS ABOUT MULCHING.

Work Should Be Done When the Ground Freezes Hard Enough to Bear Up a Wagon.

While it is best to mulch small fruits and all young or newly set fruit trees, the time when the mulch can best be applied can but be determined by the season. But in order that the work may be done at the right time it will be best to have the material at hand, ready when the conditions are suitable.

When the ground freezes hard enough to bear up a wagon is the time when mulch should be applied. The object is to maintain as even a temperature as possible around the roots and in this way as fully as possible avoid the injurious effects of thawing and freezing.

With strawberries care must be taken not to cover too deeply, especially over the crown of the plant, or there is risk of smothering the plant.

With raspberries, blackberries, currants and gooseberries all the space between the rows as well as between the plants in the row can be covered with some good mulching material.

With young trees a space four feet in diameter around the stem of the tree should be covered.

Straw, swale, hay, bagasse, cut corn fodder, or any kind of coarse litter may be used. Coarse manure can in many cases be used to good advantage, especially when, in addition to a mulch, a fertilizer is needed, as the rain, melting snow, thawing and freezing, will carry the soluble portions into the soil. The objection to using it on small fruits is that usually fresh manure contains too many weed seeds.

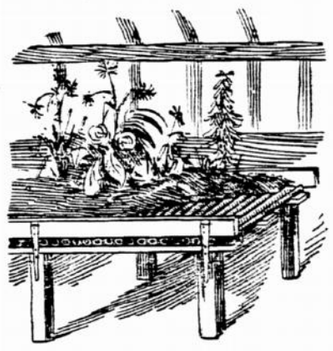
In addition to preventing injury by thawing and freezing, a good mulch often prevents injury to its fruit buds from late frosts, the mulch keeping the soil cooler and in this way retarding budding and blossoming.

To a certain extent mulching keeps down weeds and with small fruits this is an item.—St. Louis Republic.

MODEL TILED BENCH.

It Possesses Truly Remarkable Advantages Over the Old-Style Soil Benches.

Florists and those who are interested in growing flowers can easily make a tiled bench which possesses remarkable advantages over the old soil benches, for if the first cost of the tiled bench is from 25 per cent. to 30 per cent. greater than the wooden bench, it is a great deal cheaper in the end, and the results are more satisfactory. While the drainage is perfect, still the soil will not dry so completely as with the bench with a wooden bottom. The benches rest on posts placed four feet apart; the cross pieces are two by four inches, and the stringers upon which the tiles rest are also two by four inches. The tiles used



DRAIN TILES FOR FLORISTS' BENCHES.

may be two or three-inch, the two-inch being slightly preferable, but the three-inch covers so much more space for the same amount of cost that they are much more economical. On these benches five inches of soil is placed, as the drainage is so rapid that this depth can be safely used, and depth is considered desirable where the desire is to make a special flat, hollow tile for florists' use. If made with plenty of sand in the clay to make it porous it would make a good bench for flowers and would perhaps be more convenient than drain tiles.—Scientific American.

Apples from Young Trees.

The first few crops of apples that a young apple tree bears are apt to be of large size, but poor keeping qualities. The extra size is usually because the tree is growing fast, and furnishes more sap than the fruit set can use to the best advantage. Besides, in a young, vigorous-growing tree, though there may be many blossoms in spring, most of these are drowned out, and the blossom fails to set. This is most apt to happen when rain comes at blossoming time. But we have known warm, dry weather at blossoming to cause the fruit to set poorly, indicating that too much sap in the shoot produced as bad an effect as too much rain outside. If young apple trees bear profusely and grow fruit less than the normal size of the variety it is well to look for evidences of the border on the trunk as the cause.—American Cultivator.

How to Store Vegetables.

Vegetables in cellars may be kept plump and fresh all winter if properly stored, sound, unbruised and the cellar ventilated. But at best, cellars are unhealthy places to keep roots. A ventilator should extend from the bottom of the cellar to the top of the house. It can be closed during very cold spells. Keep the cellar open as long as possible in the fall and never allow it to become too warm, especially in spring. A thermometer is indispensible. Keep the temperature just above the freezing point. Should severe cold cause it to drop below 32 degrees, hang up a lantern or put in a lamp.—Farm and Home.

An apple tree when full grown, healthy and in good shape for manufacturing apples has from 300,000 to 500,000 leaves which are the lungs or breathing tubes of our apple trees.

THE BOOK OF THE LAW FOUND.

Sunday School Lesson in the International Lesson Series for December 4, 1898 — 2 Kings 22:8-20.

[Based upon Peloubet's Select Notes.]

GOLDEN TEXT.—Blessed are they that keep His testimonies and that seek Him with the whole heart.—Psa. 119:2.

THE SECTION.—The reign of Josiah (2 Kings 22:1 to 23:30). Read also 2 Chron. 34 and 35.

TIME.—Josiah reigned from B. C. 639 to 608. He followed close after Manasseh (Lesson VIII.). The finding of the book of the law was in his eighteenth year—B. C. 621.

PLACE.—Jerusalem and Judah.

EXPLANATORY.

I. Josiah the Good Boy King.—Josiah, "Jehovah will support," was born at Jerusalem, B. C. 647. 8. Josiah began to reign B. C. 639, when he was eight years old. It seems to have been by the choice or election of the people (2 Chron. 33:25). He reigned 31 years, and died B. C. 609, before he was 40 years old. His conversion took place when he was 16 years old, when "he began to seek after the God of David, his father" (2 Chron. 34:3). He put himself under the influence of the religious men of his kingdom.

II. The Reformation.—Josiah entered upon his great reformation in the twelfth year of his reign, when he began to destroy the idols. Jeremiah began his ministry in B. C. 627, in the thirteenth year of Josiah's reign (Jer. 1:2), just about the time the reformation commenced, and continued till after the destruction of Jerusalem in 586. In the eighteenth year of his reign Josiah reestablished the religious services of the temple (2 Kings 22:3-7; 2 Chron. 34:8-13). His first efforts were to repair the temple, which, during the 250 years since King Joash had made his great repairs, had become dilapidated.

III. Finding the Book of the Law.—Vs. 8-10. A little more fully in 2 Chron. 34:14-18. The eighteenth year of Josiah's reign. 8. "Hilkiah, the priest," i. e., the high priest, "said . . . I have found the book of the law:" The "law of the Lord given by Moses." It had been deposited in some secret place, probably during the reigns of some of the idolatrous kings, to preserve it from destruction. The finding mentioned in this verse was not a discovery of something unknown before, but the rescuing of the temple copy of the law from the hiding place in which it had long lain.

9. "Shaphan the scribe:" The secretary of state. "Thy servants have gathered the money:" The king's secretary reports the work done. It seems a collection was taken up for the temple repairs not only in the temple itself, where the system of Joash (2 Kings 12:4-12) seems to have been reverted to, but also throughout Judah and Benjamin, and all the land of Israel (2 Chron. 34:9).

10. "Shewed the king . . . a (the) book: "It was of the utmost importance to the king in the work he was doing.

IV. The Results of Finding the Book.—Vs. 10-20. First. A Desire for Instruction. "And Shaphan read it before the king:" Of course at the king's request. He was anxious to know what the truth was, and the nature of the law he had been trying blindly to obey.

Second. An Awakened Conscience. 11. "When the king had heard . . . he rent his clothes:" An expression of deepest sorrow and consciousness of danger.

The reading of God's Word brings conviction of sin. It shows us our departures from the true standard, it is a mirror in which we see our weakness and our sin; it is a measuring line by which we learn "how far and wide we stray."

Third. Seeking More Light on the Path of Duty. 12. "The king commanded Hilkiah," etc. His leading officers, and most intelligent.

13. "Go ye, inquire of the Lord for me:" He must know from the highest source just what he ought to do, for it was of the utmost importance.

14. "Went unto Huldah the prophetess:" through whom they would inquire of the Lord. We do not know why they went to her instead of the other well-known prophets. The "keeper of the wardrobe" was a person of consideration in ancient times.

Fourth. God's Threatenings Will Come to Pass. 16, 17. "I will bring evil upon this place. My wrath . . . shall not be quenched:" The nation had gone so far in sin, was so thoroughly imbued with idolatry, that nothing could persuade them, as a whole, to repent and be saved. Nothing but the actual infliction of the threatened punishment would cleanse them from idolatry. The reformation of Josiah was of great value. It saved a remnant, a portion of the people as the hope of the future; but for the mass of the people it was the wind ruffling the surface of the waters, but not changing its deeper flow. This threat was accomplished within 36 years. "Because they have forsaken me:" Religion and righteousness were the basis of the kingdom's prosperity. To destroy these, to forsake God, was to take the very foundation from under them.

V. God's Tender Mercies.—Vs. 19, 20. "Because thine heart was tender . . . thou shalt be gathered into thy grave in peace:" He was slain in battle, but the terrible experiences foretold of Jerusalem did not take place till four years after his death. The peace had not been broken.

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Forgettery—Better than memory at times.

Kaleidoscope—Another name for a woman's mind.

Chatterbox—The one occupied by a theater party.

Success—The one road on the map that leads to popularity.

Hog—An animal that gets right down to the root of things.

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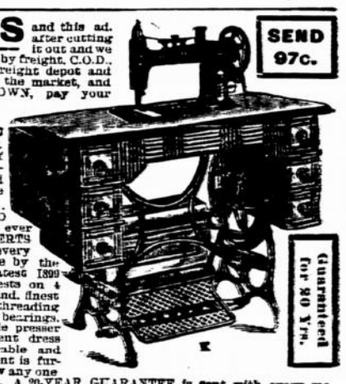

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