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### Notes and Comments.

MOTH DESTRUCTION is the subject of a paper read before a New Zealand Society, an extract from which is sent us by Mr. A. Gaviller, of Hamilton. The plan recommended was burning a lamp, which had movable wings covered with castor oil. Underneath was a pan of kerosene, into which the moths fall in large numbers. The whole concern is so made that it may hang up in any tree, and the writer thinks that two such lamps would clear a whole orchard of moths. He caught 2,000 or 3,000 various sized moths in a single night with this apparatus, each of which he supposes would have laid about 500 eggs. He, therefore, calculated he had been the means of destroying 1,250,000 worms in a single night.

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BANANAS FOR THE TABLE.—There are many varieties of bananas, and the biggest and handsomest are not always the best for eating; indeed the smallest size are usually the sweetest and juiciest, the tiny Fig banana being the best of all. Large ridges indicate coarse fruit. The Plantain, which is the coarsest variety, has enormous ridges, and is not fit to eat without being cooked. Boiled till soft, the banana is a fine vegetable. When roasted or fried, they should be eaten hot, but when used in this way they should not be too ripe.

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