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Remember always that massed planting is always the most effective, and that, in a front lawn, borders are better than beds. "It dawns upon us," says the Illinois bulletin, "that any beginner (I think it means "any 'old' beginner," to be expressively slangy) can put nowerbeds in the middle of the lawn, and that every beginner will try to make each dollar stand up on edge where everyone can see it. . . Thus, we come to hate show, and to care more for privacy, permanence, dignity, peace, restfulness, out-door living, winter comfort, views, a playground for the children, old trees, cut flowers in the house all the time, and low cost of maintenance." . . the borders are irregular, all the better, unless when they run along a straight

In planting trees and shrubs, remember, also, to avoid dotting them about indiscriminately. Place them in irregular borders and masses, leaving an allmost open sweep before the house. Trees may, however, be used as a direct background for the house, and enough of them provided somewhere between house and road to form a partial screen. glimpse of the farmhouse is usually better than the whole thing." It gives an air of mystery, of something more to be found out, which is always alluring.

And don't forget to hide the foundations of the house with vines and shrubbery. The greenery forms a connecting link with the ground, and gives an air of permanence that can be gained in no

Beautifying the home pays, in hard cash, if one wishes to sell, as well as in the unending pleasure of living among beautiful plants and flowers. To quote once more from "The Illinois Way of Beautifying the Farm."-"Nobody can afford to have bare and ugly home grounds. It is bad business.

So much this time for gardening.

HOUSE-CLEANING QUERIES - NUT MACAROONS.

Dear Junia,-Have received so much help from your column, but am still in need of some more. House-cleaning time will soon be here again with all its work of painting and papering room that has always had Muresco on it, but I notice the ceiling has started to peel off in two or three places. Do you know of anything to stop this) I'm afraid if I scrape it, it will make it look patchy when the next coat is applied.

I have one little room that we always put lime on, but the lime rubs off so much. Do you know of any way to make the whitewash that it will not rub off? Now, I hope I have not been too much bother. Will send a recipe for nut macaroons which I have found very

Nut Macaroons.-One and a half cups granulated sugar, 1 cup butter, 2 eggs, 1 cup sour milk, 3 cups flour, a pinch of salt, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon vanilla or almond flavoring, 10c. worth chopped nuts. Drop by teaspoonfuls on buttered pan. A FOREST FAIRY.

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The following whitewash is recommended: Slake half a bushel of lime with boiling water, covering the vessel during the process to keep in the steam. Strain the liquid through a fine sieve, and add 8 quarts of salt previously dissolved in warm water, 21 lbs. of ground rice boiled to a thin paste and stirred in boiling hot: } lb. powdered Spanish whiting, and 1 lb. clean glue which has been previously dissolved by soaking it well. Next put the mixture in a kettle set into a larger one filled with water (a sugar-kettle is good), and put over a slow fire. Add five gallons hot water to the mixture, stir well, and let stand for a few days covered from the dust. Re-heat before applying. Coloring mat-

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