

* Our Book Table. *

GARDEN MAKING, by Prof. L. H. Bailey, The MacMillan Co., N. Y., 415 pages. Price, \$1.00.

It is a satisfaction to the average reader to find that the contents of a book are correctly indicated by its title. Writers frequently in straining after a striking title lose sight of the subject matter of the volume it represents—for it must not be supposed that the title of the book is fixed anterior to its construction. "Garden Making" is filled with suggestions for the utilizing of home grounds. The various ways in which home grounds may be utilized are fully outlined and clearly described, and how much there is in the manner in which an operation or a method is described. The volume is divided into six sections as follows: I. General Advice. II. The Plan of the Place. III. Planting the Ornamental Grounds. IV. The Fruit Plantation. V. The Vegetable Garden. VI. Seasonable Reminders. One of the most interesting chapters is that on the planting of ornamental grounds. Here the suggestions are particularly attractive, nature like effects, instead of studied and symmetrical figures, the idea that common plants may be used with rich effect, that sometimes a healthy burdock is as useful as a high priced exotic; these thoughts, with specific instructions for the preparation and maintainance of the lawn, make the chapter peculiarly interesting and valuable. Prof. Bailey has been assisted by Profs. Waugh, of Vermont, and Taft, of Michigan, who contribute respectively a chapter on vegetables and on fruit plantations, both of which are valuable. This volume is one that contains a large

amount of useful information, and is, apart from its interesting and readable style, a book that will be appreciated by the gardener and fruit grower.—J. C., Ithaca, N. Y.

THE HORTICULTURAL REPORT of the Western N. Y. Society is to hand, and fully keeps up its excellent reputation. Probably no other reports contains so much up-to-date information on fruit culture. The Secretary is Mr. John Hall, 409 Wilder Building, Rochester, N. Y.

MR. F. BRUNTON, landscape gardener, who advertised in our pages last season, has removed to 136 Boylston St., Boston, Mass. He has received several orders with cash, from our readers, which he writes he will return. Two of the letters did not give the address of the senders. He has opened out business in Boston, as importer and grower of plant seed, and bulb specialties, a business in which he is an expert.

THE PRUNING BOOK, a monograph of the pruning and training of plants, as applied to American conditions, by Prof. L. H. Bailey, of Cornell University, McMillan Co., New York, 1898. Price \$1.50.

This excellent book deals in the most intelligent manner with the Philosophy of Pruning, the Fruit Bud, the Healing of Wounds, the Principles of Pruning, Root Pruning, some Scientific Modes of Training, Grape Training, etc.

MR. F. BRUNTON, of 136 Boylston Street, Boston, has opened a Hardy Plant Club and Exchange, in connection with his business.

