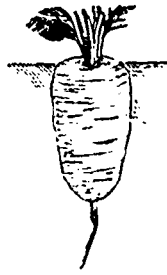


our use, and a most valuable root it is; easy to grow, prolific in yield, good in quality, and as little difficult to pull as a swede. Not choice as to their soil, I have seen twenty five tons an acre of white Belgians on an acre of heavy clay; but on light sands it will exceed the swede in yield, and is, though slightly more expensive to cultivate, far more than equal to

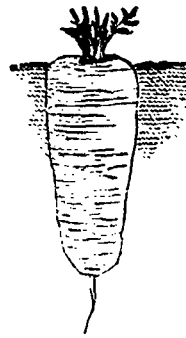
pay for it. Or, which is better, let one plough go before the other, and let the latter work without the mouldboard; the share should be at least nine inches wide with a very slight dip. This will thoroughly disturb the soil to the depth of a foot or even fourteen inches. On heavy land treated in this fashion, I should be inclined to plough down the manure in



Early Short Scarlet Horn Carrot.



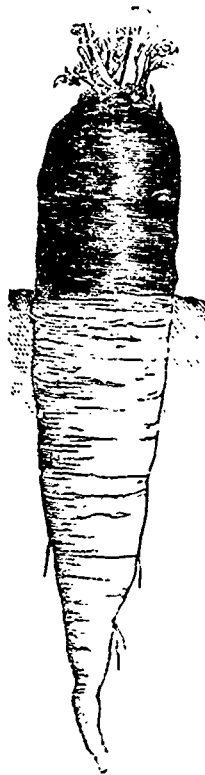
Early Half-long, Scarlet Pointed Rooted Carrot.



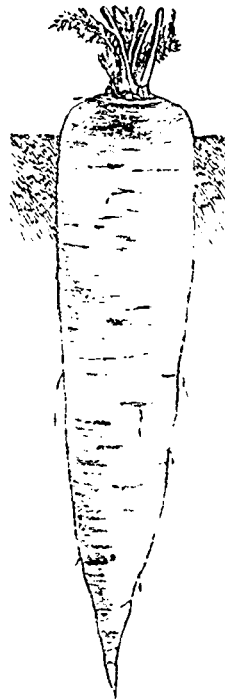
Half Long Scarlet Nantes Carrot.



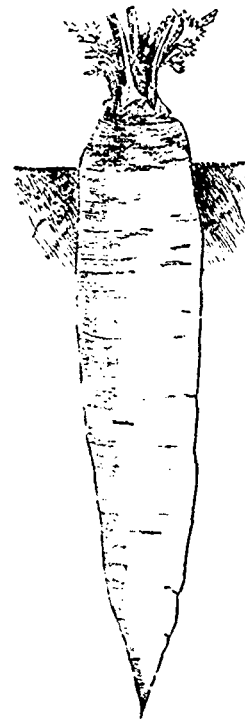
Early Half Long Scarlet Stump Rooted Carrot.



White Belgian Carrot.



White Green Top Orthe Carrot.



Long Orange Carrot.

that root in quality. It is the food for milch-cows, as it adds colour and richness to the milk, and positively never gives any unpleasant taste to the butter. Is not this what all dairymen want?

I have said so much lately about the preparation of the land for root-crops, that it is needless to go over the ground again. Only, if you can make up your minds to hang a couple more horses than usual on to the plough and break up the soil as deep as the four can manage it, the carrot-crop will

autumn at the double-furrow time, as I think the breaking up with the plough-share would mix the dung with the sub-soil to the great benefit of the crop of carrots as well as to the certain improvement of the subsequent grain-crop.

*Preparation of the seed.*—The carrot-seed I used last year—1884—disappointed me greatly: half of it was Orthes and the other half Belgian, and the yield was at least four tons (160 bushels) less than it would have been had the seed been pure Belgian, to say nothing of the extra trouble in