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UP WITH THE BREEZE.

"Up with the breeze, the birds and the bees,"
I heard a boy sing in the morn;
And his hoe kept time with the merry rhyme,
As he cheerfully hoed the corn.

Down went the weeds and the noxious seeds,
And up went the emerald corn;
And I looked with delight at the gladsome sight,
The work of the early morn.

The broad green leaves turned to golden sheaves,
And the field of beautiful corn
Was gathered and sold, thus turned into gold—
The work of the early morn.

Then up with the breeze, the birds and the bees,
If you wish to grow wealthy and wise,
And merrily sing like birds in spring,
While your work as merrily flies.

The poor sleepy head, who lingers in bed,
Will have more sorrows than joys;
And when he grows old will be hungry and cold,
So keep "wide-awake," my boys.

—Unknown Exchange.

Fruits.

CANADIAN APPLES promise to be unusually fine in quality this year. The dreaded apple spot, which had almost driven us into despair, has suddenly vanished, and every variety, not excepting the Fameuse and the Early Harvest, is thus far perfectly

clean. Nor is this merely local. Mr. John Croil, of Aultsville, who was about to cut down or else top-graft his large orchard of Fameuse, says his apples are, so far this season, perfectly clean. Reports from Michigan, where the spot had been equally devastating, show the same encouraging state of things. We can well afford to have experimented in vain with hyposulphite of soda, in view of the absence of the disease which needs the remedy.

In quality, the apple crop promises to be light, except in Michigan, New York and Ontario; and in these great apple regions, only a moderate crop is expected. The Baldwin, which is so widely planted, still continues to be barren, or nearly so; and the Roxbury Russet has a light crop; but the Greening, King, Spy, and some other good sorts, are fairly well laden with an extra good quality of fruit.