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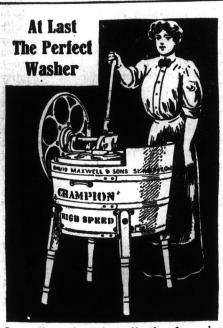
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#### When to Transplant Trees.

It is best to take up trees and transplant them as soon as the leaves begin to fall, which shows that the activity of growth has almost, if not wholly ceased. In the middle Northwest the best time to take up trees is in September or October. It is usually well to transplant trees not much older than two years. At this stage of life the roots have developed reasonably well and their growth is vigorous. Wounds from ill-treatment in removal will heal easily at this time.

The roots are, as yet, not extensively distributed, therefore labor and time will be saved in digging them out. In handling trees for transplanting one

ity of food materials. In putting the tree in place care should be exercised in getting the tree in a straight and upright position and the roots not crowded or bent. As far as possible, get the tree in same position, or a little deeper, than it was in the nursery.

In covering up, the first few shovels should be of the friable, fine soil, lightly tamped between the roots cover up the roots, then add considerable water so as to thoroughly saturate the soil and bring the soil in closer contact with the roots. Finally add the rest of the soil. Caution-do not add soil until the water has been taken up by the watered soil. Do not tamp or compress the top soil. Fill a little higher than the level of soil around the tree. Allow the soil to be porous so that the air can come in contact with the roots quite freely. Should not enough soil be placed on roots, then there may be danger of the roots ireezing in severe winters, or scalding in hot summers, especially in case of freshly planted trees. Should the trees be taken up in the fall of the year and intended for spring planting they should be buried in moist soil over

### Improved the Pieplant.

Luther Burbank, the famous California plant propagator, has produced a new variety of pieplant which he thus describes: It is a variety which produces luscious, juicy stalks perpetually



Poultry keeping pays dividends other than dollars and cents. Children delight in caring for the flock.

should be extremely careful not to cut | throughout the year, and that do not or chip the stem or the main root near its base. If the wound is too large it may prove fatal.

It is a better practice to prune the tree before it is planted, that is prune the lateral roots to about two-thirds of their length, particularly those necessitating a large unproportioned hole to set them in. It saves labor. Prune every root that is mangled or injured and make a nice smooth cut with a sharp knife. Be careful not to prune the large roots too close to the tree for these take up and conduct much nourishment to the tree.

From the stem all lateral branches hould be removed and especially those that might give the tree poor form. It is best to leave from three to five of the symmetrical buds on the main branch, so that the tree will continue to grow in length. Always trim the branches proportionately to the extent of the development of root area. Otherwise the development of root area might draw too much upon the weakened and impaired root system and for want of the ability of roots to take up food from soil, the tree eventually dies. It is always best to limit the crown of the tree to the distribution of the roots.

In making the hole for the tree to be planted, always dig it large enough so as not to crowd or coil the roots in any shape. It is best to loosen the soil below as much as possible so as to give the roots a chance to penetrate. If possible, introduce some humus soil or some that does not contain a scarc-

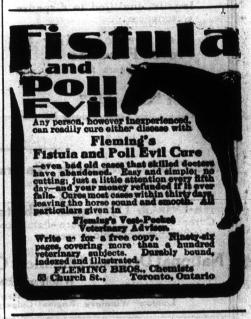
have the rank, strong taste, or, as some express it, ground flavor, which we naturally associate with the older rhubarbs. In place of this is a mild but pronounced fruity flavor, very much resembling strawberries or raspberries so much so that when this rhubarb is once tasted no one ever cares to taste the old kinds. Being perpetual, it produces a much greater weight of stalks throughout the season than other varieties.

## The Hog Quarters.

On many farms the hogs are more neglected than any other farm animal. In the summer time they are allowed to forage and root for themselves and at this they do well. They pick a good living from the clover pastures and spend much of their time in the hog wallow in the ravine. In the winter they cannot rustle as well for themselves and so must receive added attention. Their bed must be made comfortable and plenty of good food has to be provided if they are to make the expected gains. A cold, damp bed is uncomfortable and unprofitable. A straw pile pen soon draws much dampness and allows huddling, which is, not infrequently, responsible for several cases of smothering during the course of the

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