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2. Whether salt will benefit a crop of oats depends largely upon circumstances. I have seen cases where the sowing of salt seemed to effect a marked improvement in the crop, whereas in other cases no improvement was visible. Salt is not a direct fertilizer, that is to say, it does not supply, to any appreciable extent, at least, plant food for the crops. Its action is generally regarded as that of an indirect fertilizer, that is. a substance which tends to act upon the plant food already in the soil, and to make it somewhat more available for the use of the crop. It is believed by some that salt also tends to retain moisture in the soil, and it is quite likely that this is true. Owing to the fact that it does not supply plant food directly, its beneficial action is always more or less uncertain, a good deal depending upon the condition of the soil to which it is applied, and upon the season.

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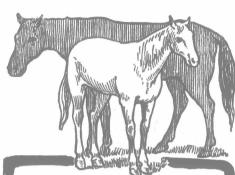
I have two of the so-called Standard cherry trees, bought in spring of 1894, that have never had any cherries, excepting one year one of them had two cherries, but they did not come to full ripeness. The trees bloom every year, but are false, or they form, remain a short time and drop. The trees are vigorous and healthy and of good size, as large as any ordinary trees, and the foliage is a very dark green, and abundant. What do the trees need? When scions are taken off for grafting, what time of the year is the best for taking them? We have a pear tree that does not bear but

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other conditions, however, are which may be the cause of unfruitfulness. It may be that the varieties are selfsterile; that is, that their pollen is not able to fertilize their own blossoms. If this is the trouble, it will be necessary to introduce, by means of grafting or growing near them some other varieties which will furnish pollen to bring about proper fertilization of the blossoms. Then, again, unfruitfulness may be due to lack of insects to distribute the pollen. The most active agents we have in distribution of pollen in fruit trees are the honey bees, and I have frequently noticed that the most productive orchards in this Province are those where the honey bees are regularly kept. In view of these facts, you may be able to ascertain the cause of the trouble yourself. If not, let us know all the particulars you can regarding it, and we will be glad to give you further assistance, if possible.

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