

SOME RHUBARB RECIPES.

Rhubarb Meringue.—Line a pie-plate with paste. Cut into inch pieces enough rhubarb to fill the plate, and sprinkle with flour until each piece is white. Put in the pie-plate, adding 1 cup sugar and a very little water. Bake slowly without a top crust, and, when done, spread over the top the beaten whites of 2 eggs into which has been stirred 1 tablespoon sugar. Brown lightly.

Rhubarb Souffle.—To every quart of rhubarb, cut in small pieces, add 1 lb. sugar. Stew with a very small quantity of water until tender, and mash fine. For every pint of the stewed rhubarb, take 3 eggs. Beat up the yolks very light, and add with the rhubarb, mixing well. Whip the whites stiff, add to the mixture; put the whole into a well-buttered dish, and bake in a quick oven for half an hour.

Rhubarb Jelly.—Cut up the rhubarb, put in a granite kettle, and heat on the back of the stove until the juice flows freely. Pass the juice through a jelly-bag, but do not force it through. Boil the juice for 10 minutes, then measure, and to each pint allow a pound of sugar. Continue boiling until a little poured into a cold dish sets nicely.

DEVONSHIRE "CLOUTED" CREAM.

Place new milk in a large, shallow pan to the depth of three or four inches, and leave in a cool place for the cream to rise. Then place the pan on top of the stove and heat very gently—it must not boil. When the cream forms a ring around the pan, and looks thick and crinkled, it is done. Remove to a cool place, and, when cold, skim and use. It is especially used with apple pie, but is liked by many on any kind of cooked fruit, or sweetened and flavored by itself.

With the Flowers.

PEA BUGS—BULBS.

We have taken "The Farmer's Advocate" for several years, and find it a very valuable paper. I would like to ask a few questions:

1. In saving your own garden peas for seed, what is good to keep the bugs out? If planted, will the green peas also have bugs?
2. What is caraway seed worth a pound, and where is the place to sell it? Would a drug store be the right place?
3. Is the crocus the earliest bulb to flower in spring, and how long after the flowers are gone before you can dig them up?
4. Would it be all right to cut off the tops of the tulips, while they are green, and not dig up bulbs until fall?

CONRAD KNISTER.

Essex Co., Ont.

1. If bugs or weevils are found in the seed, they should be treated as soon as possible after being gathered with carbon bisulphide. Put the peas in a box, and place beside them a saucer with a little of the bisulphide in it, and leave, closely covered, for 48 hours. As the fumes of this substance are exceedingly inflammable, no light or fire of any kind should be in the same room with it at any time.

It is better not to plant weevilled peas.

2. On inquiry, we find that very few retail druggists will buy caraway seed. With wholesale druggists, there is a light demand. They will pay 5c. a pound for a good, clean sample.

3. The snowdrop blooms before the crocus. Dig crocus bulbs up after the foliage is ripe, or, if necessary to do so sooner, place them in a shallow trench, and cover with earth until they are ripe, then store away until fall. The seed of the crocus grows in a long cell underground.

4. In regard to tulips, E. Bennett, a well-known authority, says: "When through blooming, and the foliage has ripened, the bulbs may be lifted, dried, and stored away in a cool place until fall. . . . Neglected beds of tulips seem to multiply and perpetuate themselves indefinitely, but the new plants will be found to be all from seed, as the tulip forms its new bulbs at the base of the old, and if they were not frequently taken up and reset, they would grow so deep in the ground that all the strength of the plant would be exhausted reaching the surface, and there would be no bloom."

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Miscellaneous.

CLYDESDALE HORSE, ABERDEEN.

Was the Clydesdale stallion, Aberdeen, or Prince of Aberdeen, an imported horse? Please give his number. W. H.

Ans.—Aberdeen (imp.) [598]; foaled 1886; imported 1887, by John Dryden, Brooklin, Ont. No other ownership given in studbook. No horse named Prince of Aberdeen is recorded.

AN OPEN-DRAIN AWARD.

I desire information, through your columns, on the following drainage questions, re an award on open drain, situated in the Province of Ontario. It takes in 400 acres, owned by A, B, C and D. B forced this drain through 20 years ago this coming fall, and at that time the engineer made each man do all his work on his own place, as he considered it would be of equal benefit to each, except that he allowed D to go free of all expense connected with the running of the ditch, such as surveying, etc., on account of him having to take the water. D is now considering the award with respect to putting tile in the ditch. We held a friendly meeting, but did not agree, so now the engineer is to be brought on.

1. Since D made the requisition to have the engineer to be brought on, must the engineer say that he is running a new ditch, which will have its starting point on D's farm?

2. Can the engineer place tile in D's drain, providing A or B would not be satisfied?

3. Would the law allow the engineer to go back to A's farm, which is 120 rods distant from D's, providing A is satisfied for him to come?

4. Would the ditch be legally run in case the engineer allowed D to adjourn and except A as the starter of the ditch, without A making a requisition for him to proceed, any more than a verbal one?

5. Could A, or A and B, not tile their drain at any time without consulting C or D, providing their drain would serve us as a good outlet?

6. Would D, or C and D, be justified in asking for help from those behind him to pay for the extra size in tile required towards the outlet?

7. Would the engineer be entitled to his day's pay (which is \$4) by coming to D's farm on a certain date, and claiming that the weather was not fit to go out in?

8. D employed a magistrate to draw up an agreement of owners at our friendly meeting. Is A, B or C obliged to share in the expense of paying this magistrate? W. H. M.

Ans.—1. No.

2. He may so award, if he judges it wise to do so. A and B would have recourse in appeal if not satisfied.

3. Yes. The drain does not start on D's farm, but on A's.

4. We think so, but it is immaterial who is the applicant. The drain affects all four, all must be considered in the award, and if any of them have not been mentioned in the requisition, the engineer has power to adjourn the hearing until such party has received legal notice of engineer's examination.

5. Section 33 of the Ditches and Watercourses Act reads: "This Act shall apply to the deepening, widening or covering of any ditch already or hereafter constructed, and the proceedings to be taken for procuring such deepening, widening or covering, shall be the same as the proceedings to be taken for the construction of a ditch under the provisions of this Act, but in no case shall a ditch be covered, unless, when covered, it will provide capacity for all the surface and other water from lands and roads draining naturally towards and into it, as well as for the water from all the lands made liable for the construction thereof."

6. We think so.

7. Probably he would.

8. If D engaged the magistrate without consulting the others, a court would probably hold him responsible; but if he consulted them, and they acquiesced, they would probably be held for their share. D.

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