

*How to Plant.*—Plow the whole land first, and fit it well. Level culture is best. Dig holes by hand, broad and ample; in hard soils make the holes larger than in loose, mellow soils. Set the trees an inch or two deeper than they stood in the nursery. Dwarf pears should be set three to six inches below the bud. Get the soil thoroughly firmed about the roots. Leave no air spaces. Fill the hole full enough to carry off surface water, and stamp the earth firmly about the tree.

## A SUMMER HOUSE.

The simple and attractive design shown here which was furnished the Country Gentleman by Mr. Mahly N. Cutter, Architect, New York. The

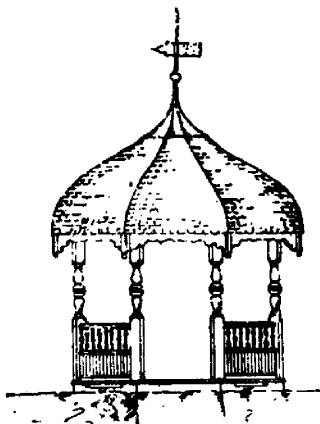


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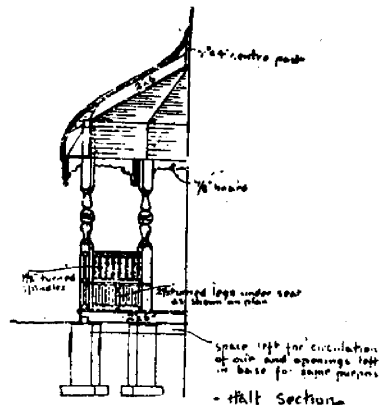


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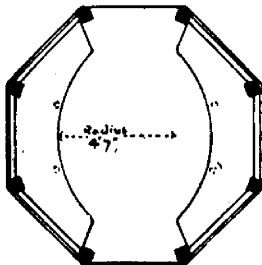


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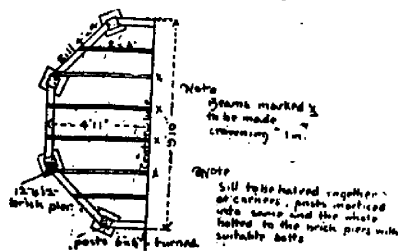


FIG. 715.

foundation consists of eight twelve-inch brick piers, on which rest sills 4 x 4, and then beams, supporting 6-inch turned columns. The roof rafters are 2 x 6, and centre posts 4 x 4. The spindles for railings are 1½ inch turned. Any wood most convenient can be employed; a close grained wood which is not quickly attacked by the weather is to be preferred. It makes a very cosy little nook, and looks well almost anywhere.