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BLOOD CLOTS IN EGGS.

1. Please give the best varieties of vegetables for the farmer's garden. I think you did this two or three years ago, and it was a great help when making our seed orders in the spring.

2. What is the cause of blood spots on the yolks of fresh eggs. I broke an egg this morning and could not use it. It was not twelve hours old, but I know city buyers would say it was not fresh. We are getting between twenty and thirty eggs every day.

SUBSCRIBER'S DAUGHTER. Ans.-1. List of desirable varieties of vegetables will appear in our columns shortly.

2. The best authorities attribute the cause of blood clots in eggs to continued feeding of rather stimulating food and rapid laying, which perhaps means that the oviduct is to a greater or less degree inflamed. A change in rations would probably be beneficial, with the addition of green food. Meat, pepper, or any sort of irritating food, is to be avoided.

DUTCH SETS FOR ONION CROP.

I have two acres of good, rich ground, plowed, and am going to get it harrowed, rolled, etc. 1. How many bushels of Dutch Sets are

required to plant an acre? 2. When should I plant?

3. What is the cost likely to be?

4. Have a wheel hoe, and can do all the work myself. If expense is \$100 per acre, and yield 450 bushels, what should profit be if all work be done without hiring, the only cost being freight to city.

5. Are onions likely to be profitable? I had two acres of seed onions last year, and they did well, but were rather late in ripening, and, therefore, am trying sets this year.

ONION GROWER. Ans.-1. About eight bushels of sets

are required to plant an acre. 2. Planting should be done as early in

spring as possible. 3. Sets cost, at special rates, from \$4

to \$4.50 per bushel. 4. Profit depends on price. Last season, in Essex county, and in the Scotland onion-growing district, the price was 85 cents per bag of 75 lbs., at the sta-Usually, the price is somewhat lower.

5. A lower price for the coming season would not be unlikely, but rather probable. Notice that David Chalmers, of Essex county, in March 2nd issue, estimates cost of raising onions per acre at

RAPE FOR HOGS-BUCKWHEAT -ALFALFA.

1. When would be the best time to sow rape for a couple of sows due to pig first of June, rape to last them through With the summer and fall? litter, what area would it take?

2. Knew of a couple of men, neighbors, each of whom sowed rape for his hogs. The skin peeled off parts of body and tails, and even ends of ears came off of hogs. Was rape the cause of it, as they know of no other cause?

3. Would buckwheat do well on sod plowed in either spring or fall?

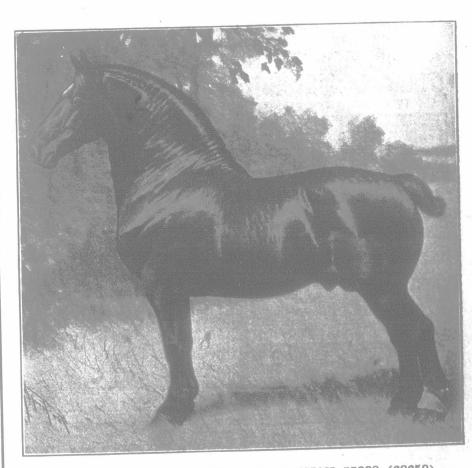
4. If alfalfa were sown behind the drill, would the harrow and roller put it in too A SUBSCRIBER. deep?

Ans.-1. Rape, sown about the middle of June, would come to full growth by the first of September, and might, of course, be pastured much sooner, and could be counted on for the remainder of the season. We should expect that about an acre and a half of land, if fertile, would be sufficient. Grain feed should, of course, be given in addition.

2. No doubt it was. It has been noticed that, occasionally, hogs pasturing on rape, become affected with an obscure skin disease, especially if allowed in the rape when the leaves are stiff with

3. Buckwheat should do well on fallor spring-plowed sod, especially if several surface cultivations are given before seed-It is common practice with some to take off first clover crop, plow immediately, and sow to buckwheat.

4. No. Alfalfa seed, being large, should be sown somewhat deeply.



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