

till they have attained a height of ten or more inches and then taking up with soil attached to roots and setting. If it is a moist time handled in this way they will grow uncheckered and make a more upright cane the first year.

The first year when the canes are eighteen inches high, the ends should be nipped off. The first year's growth will be of a more trailing nature than in after years, so the canes must be nipped early so as to give them a stocky growth. In after years they may be let grow to two feet or thirty inches. It is best to nip early so as to make them branch low. If they get high and are nipped late the laterals come out up near the top, making them top heavy, and in a windy time many bushes blow over.

Raspberries are very much subject to anthracnose, and they should be sprayed as soon as the plantation reaches a growth of eight or ten inches with half strength Bordeaux, and sprayed three or more times. The older plantations should be sprayed before the buds open, with full strength Bordeaux or copper sulphate solution, and after blooming with half strength Bordeaux. After fruiting the old canes should be cut out, also the young canes thinned out to five or less per hill, and the canes sprayed twice with half strength Bordeaux. Owing to the anthracnose we cannot let the plantation stand as long as in former years. It has to be renewed now about every five or six years.

#### Growing Early Cabbage

Last season my cabbage heads were fine, looking like the pictures in the catalogues. The ground in which they were planted was made quite rich and the seeds were sown in the hills the latter part of May. We planted the Late Flat Dutch and the Sure Head.

When they were up well, the horse and cultivator was not through them and the next morning they were hoed good around the plants. When they were 6 inches high, they were thinned, and some transplanted. They were hoed many mornings through the summer, as that is the best time for hoeing cabbage.

After the plants began to head, the worms began to eat them badly. I hunted them through once, but found a much better way, and this is to sprinkle them with dry air-slacked lime. I put this on them twice, and they grew rapidly. Late in the fall they began to crack open somewhat, and then I loosened them at the roots, which soon put a stop to that.

I also grew some fine cauliflowers, which were treated the same as the cabbage. If one lived in a good market for such things, nothing could be raised easier than early cabbage.—A. Osborn.

An Irishman was sitting in a smoker's seat in a stage in St. Paul the other day, when a young woman sitting down remarked: "Sir, if you were a gentleman you wouldn't smoke in here." "Mum," he said, "if yez wuz a leddy, y'd go up front." Pretty soon the woman burst out, "If you were my husband I'd give you poison." "Well, mum," returned the Irishman, as he puffed away at his pipe, "if yez was me wifie, I'd take it."—Exchange.

When stewing sour fruit, such as cherries, if you wish to save sugar, use first a half teaspoonful of soda to a quart of fruit.

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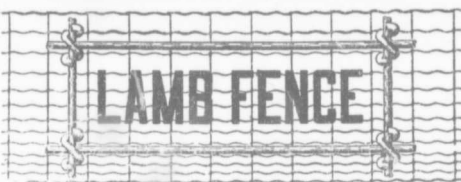
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