

which she provides. Such delicacies are not good for her, and, if largely indulged in, end in death. Like a baby she relishes the forbidden for a time and will make a meal out of a rotten apple or a decaying pear; but not by any weapon at her command can she conveniently or safely break the skin of a ripe fruit.

It is pleasant to know that among enlightened Pomologists, the old-time prejudice against the bee is fast giving place to an appreciation of her value to the fruit-grower, and not a few of them are establishing bee yards in their orchards and fruit fields, with the view of insuring the better fertilization of the fruit blossoms. I venture to predict the time is not far distant when this practice will be followed to a much greater extent than it now obtains. Ten years experience in fruit growing and bee culture, carried on in the same orchard, a watchful eye upon her movements, and some scrutiny into her anatomy and physiology, has changed my own suspicions into admiration, and established in my own mind a firm belief of the bee's usefulness to the orchardist, and I am ready to recommend every fruit-grower in the land to keep bees if he desires to secure the greatest return for his labor, in orchard and fruit field.

If time permits and you accord me space, I may, in future, have something to say on bees as fertilizers.

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RULES FOR THE GARDEN.

M R. GEO. ELLWANGER, of Rochester, in his new book entitled "The Garden's Story" gives the following good rules for managing the ornamental garden:

"I. Whatever is worth growing at all is worth growing well."

"II. Study soil and exposure, and cultivate no more space than can be maintained in perfect order."

"III. Plant thickly; it is easier and more profitable to raise flowers than weeds."

"IV. Avoid stiffness and exact balancing; garden vases and garden flowers need not necessarily be used in pairs."

"V. A flower is essentially feminine, and demands attention as the price of its smiles."

"VI. Let there be harmony and beauty of color. Magenta in any form is a discord that should never jar."

"VII. In studying color effects, do not overlook white as a foil; white is the lens of the garden's eye."

"VIII. Think twice, and then still think, before placing a tree, shrub or plant in position. Think thrice before removing a specimen tree."