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The bed should be thoroughly prepared or seeding before steaming. The pan for seeding before steaming. should be placed on the bed and the edges firmly pressed into the soil before the steam is turned on from the engine. Best results have been obtained by allowing steam to run into the pan for 30 minutes at a pressure of 100 lbs. on the engine. The steam can then be turned off and the pan removed to another section of the bed. In order to not reinfect the bed one should avoid walking on it after sterilization. The use of two pans will greatly facilitate the work. The frames should be placed around the beds immediately after sterilization. The beds can be sown 1 to 3 days after sterilization.

The surface of steamed soils is inclined to dry out more rapidly than unsteamed soils and will require watering more often until the plants are large enough to cover the ground.

Don't use too much water at first as this will have a tendency to drift the seed and small seedlings, giving the bed an uneven appearance.
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Apoplexy.

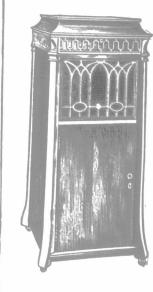
Pig eight months old, while eating began to stagger, held head to one side, fell down, squealed and appeared to suffer pain. Later on it was lying down with all feet working as if it were running. It lay and acted in this way for 36 hours. I then killed it and a post mortem revealed the kidneys very large, the bladder very full and the heart was also very large

Ans.-This was a case of apoplexy. It is usually caused by high feeding and

want of exercise. Treatment.—Bleeding is recommended Tie a string tightly above the knee, the vein on the inside of the leg will fill up; then with a sharp knife make an opening into it. For a pig of this age a small tea cup of blood would be enough to extract; then remove the string and pin up the opening in the usual manner, by pressing a small pin through the lips of the wound and tying a thread around the pin. Leave the pin in for two days.

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