

FROM AN ALBUM.

We may write our names in albums ;
 We may trace them in the sand ;
 We may chisel them in marble
 With a firm and skilful hand ;
 But the pages soon are sullied,
 Soon each name will fade away ;
 Every monument will crumble,
 Like all earthly hopes, decay.
 But, dear friend, there is an album,
 Full of leaves of sunny white,
 Where no name is ever tarnished,
 But forever pure and bright,
 In that Book of Life, God's Album,
 May your name be penned with care ;
 And may all who here may write,
 Have their names forever there.

WHAT SEED SHALL WE SOW ?

A wonderful thing is seed,
 The one thing deathless forever !
 The one thing changeless—utterly true,
 Forever old and forever new,
 And fickle and faithless never.

Plant blessings, blessings will bloom ;
 Plant hate, and hate will grow ?
 You can sow to-day, to-morrow will bring
 The blossom that proves what sort of thing
 Is the seed, the seed that you sow.

Ladies' Floral Cabinet.

LAYING TURF IN SUMMER.—Mr. Henderson says : " I find that turf can be successfully laid down, if necessary, in dry and hot summer weather, by simply covering it when finished, before it gets too dry, with about a quarter of an inch of light soil put through a half inch sieve. The grass begins to grow through the soil in a very few days."—*Scientific American.*

THE CABBAGE WORM.—We find the following remedy for the ravages of the cabbage worm in one of our exchanges. Have any of our readers any experience of its efficiency. If so, they will confer a favor by giving us their opinion of its value :—" Pyrethrum, or Persian powder, possesses the qualities of destroying cabbage worm life and at the same time leaves the cabbage in a healthy condition."

WANTED, A GOOD EARLY PEACH.—The Illinois growers of early peaches wear long faces this summer. The object of their hopes and fond anticipations has fallen to the ground in a shower of rotten fruit. The crop was a delusion. Inquiries for an early peach that does not rot are now frequent. If anyone knows of such a peach they will confer a great favor

by making known its name.—*The Farmer and Fruit Grower.*

KEEPING GRAPES FOR WINTER USE.—Mr. Nelson Ritter, Syracuse, N. Y., has had admirable success with packing grapes in single layers, in small, shallow boxes about two inches in depth, with sliding covers. When he packs fruit two layers deep he places paper between the layers, the same as advised by Mr. Husmann. Mr. Ritter has found the Isabella, Catawba and Clinton to be the best keepers, while Salem and Diana have proven fair keepers

ABOUT STRAWBERRIES.—The *Western Farmer* says :—" A Southern amateur gardener secured slabs from the saw-mill and bored two-inch holes in them fifteen inches apart and laid them round side up on the edge of some beds, and set a strawberry plant in each hole in August. Such a profusion of strawberries as he had was a sight worth beholding. When other strawberries in the neighborhood were all dried up by the drought his were in perfection. A half pint or more were taken at a time from each plant. It was but little trouble to keep the runners down. But the next season the plants crowded in the hole so closely that the crop was a failure."

PACKING APPLES FOR SHIPMENT.—A paper read before the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association, gave some valuable suggestions on packing apples. A vast improvement is stated to have been made in the past season over previous ones. Careful assorting is insisted on. In one case, in a consignment of 300 barrels to England, the first and second sizes were not separated, and the result was \$1 less per barrel than others of the same quality which were assorted. Hardwood barrels are found much the best, both on account of strength and the apples shrinking less. Wrapping the specimens in paper has done well, but is attended with too much labor for general practice. Lining the barrels with white paper has been satisfactory. The experiments with packing in chaff and cut-straw have signally failed. The varieties which have done best for the English markets have been Gravenstein, Ribston Pippin, Pomme Grise, Baldwin, Spitzenburgh and Russet.—*Country Gentleman.*