

THE FRUIT CANS.

"The last dead leaf shakes on the bough;
There's nothing left of summer now."
"Oh, yes there is!" Just come with me,
My store of fruit cans you shall see—
Glass jars that crowd my pantry-shelf,
And every one I filled myself.
This little can is lightest red,
Tis strawberries from my garden-bed,
And these four green ones in a row
Are gooseberries, sealed up long ago.
In early June, one sunny day,
And oh! how hard and sour were they!
Bright crimson, I have really ten
Of finest cherries, gathered when
The greedy robbers round us flew,
And boldly snatched the berries too.
These seven cans red raspberries hold;
Bright butterflies, with wings of gold,
About the milk-wood blossoms cling,
And bobolinks their sweetest sang,
And bees the clover honey sucked,
Where, in the pasture, these were plucked.
The five cans next them blueberries fill,
That ripened on the breezy hill;
Those six keep currants; and those nine
Have blackberries. From my door-way vine
These four I filled with grapes; and three
With quinces from my little tree,
Then red and yellow, large and small
Come fifteen cans, tomatoes all.
I've twelve of peaches; ten of plums;
And, last, one jar of cranberries comes,
That in the meadow glowed like gems
In autumn, on their frosty stems.
Now you may count up for yourself
The cans upon my pantry-shelf;
And then I know you'll say with me,
Though not one blossom you can see,
And dead the last leaf on the bough,
"There's something left of summer now!"

—Marian Douglas.

HORTICULTURE.

SETTING STRAWBERRY PLANTS.

The best time for this work, as every one is aware, is in spring just as the young plants are beginning their growth. Next to this in the season is immediately after fruiting, while the plants are in a partly dormant state, and before they fully recover from the exhaustion of bearing, but more care is then required. Most of the old leaves should be removed, the fine yellow earth pressed on the spread roots, and if the soil is dry they should be watered, and a mulching of manure given an inch or two in thickness. This mulching will prevent the ground from crusting or baking if a second watering becomes necessary. Setting potted plants late in summer succeeds well, but the operation, first and last is attended with considerable labor, and it is adapted to limited garden beds. An easier, and quite as successful mode, where the plants to be set are near at hand or in the same garden, is to take up blocks of earth with the plants by using the spade, and to set them with their mass of earth, into opening previously cut with the spade, where they are to remain. We have now (June 20th) a long bed of the Cumberland, and another of the James Vick, both in full and abundant bearing. Set in this way during the latter part of last August. The plants were scarcely checked in growth by removal. With dry, light soil the work would be difficult, as it would readily crumble from the roots, unless the plants were carried one at a time on the spade; but with a strong loam sufficiently moist, two or three dozen may be taken up in compact blocks and carried on a wheelbarrow to the place for planting. It is hardly necessary to remark that last autumn rooted runners must be selected if the work is done now, but later in the season the new plants of the present year's growth may be chosen.—Country Gentleman.

TRIM OUT.

BY W. D. HOYNTON.

I firmly believe that more trees are lost through the luxuriant growth induced by rich soil and forcing seasons than from

any other cause. A rank, tender growth shoots out each summer that is ill-fitted to cope with our long, hard winters. In many cases this exuberant growth checks the fruitfulness of the tree. Unless kept trimmed out, the yield deteriorate both in quantity and quality. We may not be able to remedy the defect in our climate, but we can lessen the injury to the tree by judicious pruning; early July is a good time for this work, as the trees are then fully leaved out, and no injury can result if the cut portions are carefully waxed over to exclude air and water. By trimming out at this time the crop for the present season may be much improved. The tree has started out with more than it can mature in good shape. In trimming, a part of this is cut out, and the top lightened up so that the sun and air can get in to the remainder. The fruit will be larger, and the quality vastly improved. A tree so trimmed is also in better shape to go into the hard winter that is coming. By cutting away a part of the top, a corresponding share of the sap is thrown back into the roots. One can easily satisfy himself on this point by mutilating a tree, and watching the young shoots come up from the roots immediately afterward. When the cutting away is moderate, as it should be, the amount of vitality thrown back to the roots will not be so great as to cause their sprouting up from the roots, for the roots can utilize in the underground work all that has been sent back. That is precisely the result we are working for—to keep the top work back and push the ground work ahead; then there is more hope of carrying the tree through the winter.

This work of cutting out should not be delayed until the tree has a long, heavy top, for the task is not only immensely increased thereby, but the job cannot be as thoroughly done at an advanced age as it can if taken young and trimmed a little each season. Cutting out large limbs is quite apt to injure a tree. The farmer's work should never get beyond the reach of his pocketknife. But it is never too late to mend, and if the trees have grown up without trimming out, they should be taken in hand at once, and judiciously dealt with.

I have mentioned that the Russian apple trees are of a remarkably luxuriant growth after being transplanted into this climate. Very few growers think of cutting them back, as they are hardy enough to stand even our changeable climate, but unless they are cut back the fruit is sure to deteriorate in size and quality.

In pruning, judgment must be used in forming the right kind of a top. Haphazard slashing don't do. Have an idea of the form that will answer the purpose, and cut every limb to conform to that plan.

PRUNING THE VINE.

BY W. W. MEECH.

Grape vines that have come to a bearing age may generally be pruned so scientifically as to make the prospective results very certain. By examining vines while they are growing any one can very readily see from which buds of the previous year's growth have sprung the branches that are producing the fruit of the current year. This will serve as a guide to the pruning for the next crop, and so on from year to year. Shoots from canes older than the last year's very seldom produce anything but wood, but that wood is all right for a crop the next year. Shoots from the canes of the year, when the old and

new wood are joined will hardly ever produce fruit. The first bud beyond the joint will be found fruitful, but the chances that it will grow from the next bud, and for that matter further on, will generally bear the scattered bunches of the crop. I have found that six bunches on a strong cane, as selected, will generally yield three fine clusters each, and occasionally four. We may look for this number of clusters from the buds of very strong and vigorous canes of the last year's growth up to the capacity of the vines so pruned. Hence, according to the number of perfect clusters we estimate the vine capable of producing, we can readily select those giving the best promise, and cut all the others off.

This plan of pruning is scientific, and, while it greatly reduces the labor as compared with the old method of having spurs of one or two buds all over the vine, it surely gives as good prospect of less wood and more grapes.

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"It has become so common to begin an article, in an elegant, interesting style
"Then run it into some advertisement that we avoid all such.

"And simply call attention to the merits of Hop Bitters in as plain, honest terms as possible.

"To induce people
"To give them one trial, which so proves their value that they will never use anything else."

"THE REMEDY is favorably noticed in all the papers.

Religious and secular.
"Having a large sale, and is supplanting all other medicines."

"There is no denying the virtues of the Hop plant, and the proprietors of Hop Bitters have shown great shrewdness and ability."

"In compounding a medicine whose virtues are so palpable to every one's observation."

Did She Die?

"No!
"She lingered and suffered along, pining away all the time for years."

"The doctors doing her no good."

"And at last was cured by this Hop Bitters the papers say so much about."

"Indeed! Indeed!"

"How thankful we should be for that medicine."

A Daughter's Misery.

Eleven years our daughter suffered on a bed of misery.

"From a complication of kidney, liver, rheumatic trouble and Nervous debility."

"Under the care of the best physicians."

"Who gave her disease various names."

"But no relief."

"And now she is restored to us in good health by as simple a remedy as Hop Bitters, that we had shunned for years before using it."—THE PARENTS.

Father is Getting Well.

"My daughters say:
"How much better father is since he used Hop Bitters."

"He is getting well after his long suffering from a disease declared incurable."

"And we are so glad that he used your Bitters."—A LADY of Utica, N. Y.

None genuine without a bunch of green Hops on the white label. Show all the value of your own stuff with "Hop" or "Hops" in their name.

American women are said to be the most clever, active, and energetic to be found; and well they need to be, considering the enormous demands made upon them by modern schools, housekeeping and society. Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham, in preparing her celebrated Vegetable Compound, had in mind all these countless demands on a woman's strength, and her well known remedy proves every day its perfect adaptation to woman's special needs.

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There are but few that have never suffered from intolerable pain from toothache, neuralgia, or like acute pains. To them such an instant relief as Fluid Lightning is an untold blessing in time of trouble. No disgusting offensive medicine to be taken for days. One application of Fluid Lightning cures. Sold at T. Cummins.

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A Happy Thought. Diamond Dyes are so perfect and so beautiful that it is a pleasure to use them. Equally good for dark or light colors. 10c at Druggists. Wells, Richardson & Co., Burlington, Vt. Sample card, 32 colors, and book of directions for 2c. stamp.

WORMS often destroy children, but Freeman's Worm Powders destroy Worms, and expel them from the system.

TO REMOVE Dandruff—Cleanse the scalp with Prof. Lee's Magic Sulphur Soap. A delightful medicated soap for the hair.

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All people, and especially travellers, are liable to a sudden attack of cholera morbus, diarrhea and dysentery. Dr. Fowler's Wild Saw-wort is the most prompt and reliable remedy known.

Advice to Mothers.

Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of cutting teeth? If so, send at once and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures wind, colic, stomach-ache, soothes inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething is pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female nurses and physicians in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price 25 cents a bottle.

Rest and Comfort to the Suffering.

"Brown's Household Panacea" has no equal for relieving pain, both internal and external. It cures pain in the side, back or bowels, sore throat, rheumatism, toothache, lumbago and any kind of a pain or ache. "It will most surely quicken the blood and heal, as its acting power is wonderful." "Brown's Household Panacea" being acknowledged as the great Pain Remover, and of doubt the strength of any other elixir or ointment in the world, should be in every family handy for use when wanted, as it really is the best remedy in the world for cramps in the stomach, and pains and aches of all kinds, and is for sale by all druggists at 25 cents a bottle.

Well Rewarded.

A liberal reward will be paid to any party who will produce a case of Liver, Kidney or Stomach complaint that Electric Bitters will not speedily cure. Bring them along, it will cost you nothing for the medicine if it fails to cure, and you will be well rewarded for your trouble besides. All blood diseases, biliousness, jaundice, constipation, and general debility are quickly cured. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Price only fifty cents per bottle. For sale by all druggists.

Caution to Dairywomen.

Ask for Wells, Richardson & Co's. Improved Butter Color, and take no other. Beware of all imitations, and of all oil colors, for every other one is liable to become rancid and spoil the butter into which it is put. If you cannot get it write to us at Burlington, Vt., to know where and how to get it without extra expense. Thousands of tests have been made, and they always prove it the best.

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