

days, use the apparatus to spray the plots of potatoes of neighboring farmers. The earnings from that work might go, one-half to the boys themselves and the other half to the School Garden Fund.

OUTSIDE LABOR TO GET PLOTS READY.

In the preparation of those plots this spring, I think it necessary to arrange to have *the work of preparing these beds* done without calling on the children of the school for and manual labor in connection therewith. Please arrange at your early convenience to have some good man or men, under your care, lay out these plots and dig them. If they could be cut out in the grounds now in lawn or in sod, that would suit. Choose the site with an eye also to the keeping of these, "as a city set on a hill" I think each plot should be staked out and cultivated by hand every year. If you are not able to find one man who will undertake all this work at each school, perhaps you might arrange with the trustees, or some others, to come some one half day and do the whole job, as at a "School Bee." If they wanted any pay for that, I would be willing to pay them whatever you and they thought was fair for that work.

SEEDS AND PLANS READY ON TIME.

I think it desirable that you should have the plans for all your plot work made in good time and considered by the children and the school in order that the boys and girls might have for themselves plans of the beds and the seeds to be planted before the time for actual planting arrives.

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