

did not see half a dozen apples with a sign of a worm upon them. The proportions were half a teaspoonful of Paris Green, and one tablespoonful of Carbolic acid to about two-thirds of a pail of water, and a little lime to save the leaves. I used it on some plums twice and the leaves began to die; I stopped its use, but did not save all the plums.

Bloomfield.

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#### STYRAX JAPONICA.

Several years ago, a plant named *Styrax Japonica* was introduced from Japan. Plants were advertised and sold for two years, since which time only one firm has had the plant catalogued, so far as I am aware. The reason for this is that the plants never flowered, though they were represented as bearing beautiful flowers. Many complaints followed, and the propagation of the plant was consequently stopped. Briefly, I wish to rescue the *Styrax Japonica* from its undeserved condemnation and place it where it rightly belongs, among our fine ornamental shrubs. I had one of the first plants sent out; and though it did not flower for several years, I kept on growing it for the sake of its fine form and beautiful foliage. I have had my reward. For two years past it has been covered with its beautiful pendulous, bell-shaped flowers, which are as white as pure snow. The flowers are succeeded by numerous white, oval berries nearly an inch long, which hang suspended to the branches till killed by frost. The plant is beautiful in flower and in fruit, and ornamental at all times. It is by no means the only plant that will not flower till it has a few years of age. Any one who is willing to wait can not fail to be pleased with this plant at its maturity. Its propagation should be resumed by somebody.—*Rural New-Yorker*.

#### GRAPE VINES AT SARNIA.

Mr. Peter Wellington reports that the Moore's Early and Worden both killed by summer frost, and that the Concord, Clinton, and Delaware are the principal varieties grown that part of the country.

#### BOOKS &c.

*Native Grapes of the United States* an exceedingly valuable and exhaustive paper, read before the American Horticultural Society at its last meeting by T. V. Munson, Denison, Texas.

*The National Journal of Carp Culture* is the only journal in the United States devoted to the subject of carp culture. It was established in 1885, is issued monthly, at fifty cents a year. Those interested in carp culture obtain a sample copy free by addressing L. B. Logan, Akron, Ohio.

*The Maryland Farmer*, published at Baltimore, Maryland, by Ezra White man, at \$1.00 a year, is a monthly magazine of 32 pages, devoted to agriculture, ably edited by a veteran agriculturist. It begins the year 1886 in beautiful style, with new cover of handsome design, new type and superior paper, giving it a very attractive appearance.

*North East Europe Fruits* are exhaustively treated, so far as our knowledge of them at present extends, in a Bulletin of the Iowa Agricultural College just issued. It contains a revised list of names, with notes on some of the fruits, trees, and shrubs from North East Europe on trial in the College grounds, and which have been sent out for trial during the past six years.

*Vick's Floral Guide* for 1886 comes as usual in beautiful and attractive garb. The cover is a most artistic thing of itself, the interior a charming picture book, and the reading matter interesting and instructive, such as the