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Garden and Orchard.

MONTREAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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Fruit Growers Association of the Province of Quebec.

Montreal, 12th January 1895.

In continuance of the somewhat rough outline partly shadowed in the article commenced p. 18, volume 17 of the Journal, the principal desire of the writer is to foster a more intense love amongst our rural inhabitants of beautifying their surroundings horti-culturally. This can be accomplished by giving the matter first due consideration; and afterwards putting the plans decided upon into practice. If the few hints thrown out in these lines on the subcct will help in any way to encourage a few to make a start, the effort will not have been As mentioned before, many of our farm houses and rural cottages are distitute of the smallest attempt of de coration which are within the reach of tage, are always a source of dread durevery one having a house in the country. For instance what is prettier tively angerous during such. Consethan a vine clad verandah round the quently, a tree is in a better position ing those who may not know the vines

or cottage. It is the exception with cottages which are blessed with a verandah to have any ornamental vines planted on them. The bare wood work is in nine cases out of ten left unadorned. With the wealth of native plants suitable for this purpose together with numbers that can be added at comparativley small cost, the wonder is that they are not found in profusion round every cottage. A list of hardy climbing plants and climbing small fruits could with both pleasure and profit be cultivated on the sides and ends of our buildings. None of these being climbers they would require to be trained to such positions where they would have a very pretty pears, plums, &c., are produced by this manner of cultivation in the gardens in Scotland, where not a few would fail to produce fruit at all if grown on ordinary standard form. With a verandah properly planted with beautiful climbing plants there is less need of shade trees in the immediate vici nity of the house or cottage. Trees. when they become large and are in too close proximity to the house or cot-

south, east and west of such a house if planted further away from the building than its own height when full grown. It is easy to seek the shade and avoid the danger from trees plant-ed too near to buildings. To commence beautifying the surroundings of house or cottage by planting vines, trees, shrubs and flowers, will open up and quicken the sense of all that is elevating and will awaken the desire to obtain a higher form of grace and elegance than has yet been obtained. what a grand o eet would be produced annuals suitable will be appended. A if each and all of our rural residents great many varieties of fruit trees and would at once appreciate the invent would at once appreciate the joy and pleasure to be derived from a tastefully planted and neatly kept Garden and grounds. These may be of the most simple as to form, and of the most inexpensive as to variety, but they may be none the less beautioffect. It is also probable that in such positions we could succeed with some cheapness. The choice is almost sorts of fruits which are not hardy as ordinary standards. The finest apples, piness and pleasure is exprienced to the cheap of the cheap ordinary standards. in tryi g to give to our homes something of that grace and lovelines, someting that will intensify our heart feeling to the dearest of all places, home? How can we better do our share in obtaining that happiness than by surrounding our homes with as many as we can accomodate of nature's beautiful flowers and fruits. To this end I know o no way where an effective beginning can be made to netter purpose than our rural cottage veran ahs, and for the purpose of encourag-

and other plants available for the purpose the following list is subjoined.

Hardy perennial climbing plants, or those suitable if trained on a verandah:

Ampelopsis or American Ivy.

Ampolopsis Voitchii, or Japaneso Ampelopsis.

Arislolochia sipho or Dutchman's

This plant deserves a place everywhere for its beautiful clean Insect

proof foliage.
Clematis—Virgins Bower.
Clematis—Many garden varieties,
all colors these are beautiful climbers and deserve a place in every collection.

Louicera sempervirens or Trumpet Honey suckle. Roses in Variety.

Tender Climbers mostly annual sorts and require to be raised from seed. These may be sown in a box or flower pot in the window or in a hot bed in April.

Cobea Scandens.

Maurandya Barelayanat.

Hardy Climbers seed to be sown in

the open ground, Morning glory.

Sweet peas. Tropulæms or Nasturtiums.

Japanese Hops. Cypress Vine. Hyacinth Beans.

With a selectin from the above list a very pretty effect may be obtained.

(To be continued)