

would not allow her to be crowned." Another old lady, at Yatton, Mrs. Honor Coleman, celebrated a few weeks ago her 106th birthday. Her grandmother had lived to be 101, and her own mother met with death accidentally at 100; whilst it is told of Elijah Lindley, a Nottinghamshire worthy, that he has been for sixty-three years clerk and sexton of his parish; that he lives in the house where he was born, and has only been absent from the village four Sundays during his life. He has served under five vicars, assisted at 210 marriages, 1,500 baptisms and

1,000 funerals, the whole of the graves for which he has dug himself. He has tolled the bell for three sovereigns—George IV., William IV., and Queen Victoria. He was only six years old when George IV. died, but his father, who was then sexton, took him to the belfry and made him pull the rope.

With which little history I must close my letter, reserving for my next two or three the story of my pleasant prowlings through the villages and lanes of lovely Devonshire.

H. A. B.

With the Flowers.

SOME HARDY ORNAMENTALS.

By Mrs. Anna L. Jack.

After mid April, one need not be surprised on examining the flowers of the scarlet maple to find them ready to unfold, and the spice bush follows closely. Pussy willows and alders have filled the air of the swamps with the pollen from their floating catkins. The shad bush is waiting to feel a few warmer sunrays, and the flowering dogwood in warm corners shows opening buds.

In the garden, the daphne surprises us with its clusters of pinkish flowers, or a bush of pure white may be seen with their honey-sweet fragrance that is a charmed breath of spring.

Presently, the little Magnolia Stellata opens its starry blossoms all over the leafless tree, though there is danger that a frost may destroy the beauty of the venturesome treasure, and turn the petals brown. If it has been a favorable season, the golden bells of Forsythia will open next; but if severe wintry weather, there will only be the few drooping branches in bloom that were under the snow line.

Spiræas soon begin their procession, for "Arguta" often blossoms with light snow on the ground, and Spiræa Thumbergi soon follows.

What a wealth of shrubs bloom in late May, with calycanthus, golden currant, pearl Spiræa, Tartarian honeysuckles and acacias. Lilacs hold their own, and add to their reputation the old fragrant clusters, and in June we have horse-chestnut and mountain ash, while locust trees line the country lanes. Nor must the barberry and snowball be forgotten, the viburnums having a late effect of red berries that keep up a brightness all season.

Then June is the month of roses—queenliest among the flowers—that glorify while they last. The catalpa should be better known, with its orchard-like blossoms, white, with a tinge of yellow or brown; the foliage is tropical, and trees dense and graceful. The cucumber magnolia swings its seed-pods late in the season; its large leaves are clean and handsome, while the horse-chestnuts have a beauty of their own.

Hydrangea paniculata is a shrub that has taken first rank; its white sprays change to the other seasons as autumn approaches, till November finds them brown and dry.

So many shrubs and ornamental trees live a little further south, that there is always a regret for those that will not endure our winters. But an experience of shrub-planting for over forty years in Quebec Province proves that there are enough hardy plants to survive and form an attractive setting for any country home, and a procession of beauty and utility.

WILD FLOWERS FOR THE GARDEN.

Do you know the wild hepatica, the little white or bluish flower, with downy stems, that opens in the sunny hollows of the wood almost the first days of spring?

The white trillium, commonly called "white lily," which succeeds it, filling all the woodland as though a fairy had been scattering floral riches broadcast?

The dog's-tooth violet, or adder tongue, with its bright yellow blossoms and smooth, blotched leaves?

The scarlet columbine, yellow-lined, with suggestions of nectar in its knobbed flower-tubes?

The little herb Robert, odoriferous, spreading, with tiny pink blossoms somewhat resembling those of the shamrock?

The Indian turnip, or Jack-in-the-pulpit, luxuriant of leafage, with little pulpit gorgeously striped with purple and green?

The dainty dicentra, or "ladies-and-gentlemen," so distinctively different from every other flower as to seem almost exclusive?

The bloodroot, with its great cleft leaves and snowy blossoms, and stems and root-stalks ready to bleed, coral red, at a touch?

The cardinal flower, gleaming like sentinels in scarlet along the banks of the streams?

The wood violet in white, and mauve, and yellow, blooming nearly all the summer through?

The graceful Solomon's seal, and twisted stalk, cousins of the trillium?

Are not these beautiful? And do you not know that with just a little care they may, one and all, be transplanted to the shady, moist spots of your garden, where they will grow up year after year, without the slightest care, save to see that they are not encroached upon by the aggressive weeds of the cultivated plot? Even the cardinal flower will grow away from its native streams, if given a deep, rich bed and plenty of moisture. It is especially attractive when grown along with ferns, and since it will flourish either in sunshine or shade, may be planted on the north side of the house, where the ferns will do best.

Some of the most attractive gardens I have seen were composed almost wholly of these contributions from the wildwood; but in every case, nature's arrangement was followed. Wild flowers simply could not be placed in formal beds and borders; they would look like caricatures. They must be given their own sweet will, and permitted to spread and mass themselves as they choose.

Try a few of them in some out-of-the-way corner, where the necessary partial shade and accumulation of leaf mould are available, and see if the wild-flower nook will not soon become one of the most highly-prized spots in your garden. Then, some day in the future, when you have become fully impressed with the decorative value of our native growth, you may feel impelled to group skillfully about your house and lawn clumps of wild plum and cherry, flowering elder and dogberry, the Juneberry with its wealth of white bloom, the clambering grape and Virginia creeper, bitter-sweet and wild clematis; and you will wonder why your neighbor chooses to worry over and work with exotics, which require years of coaxing and wheedling to induce them to grow in a climate and soil alike unfitted to them.

M. W. A.

PUSSY WILLOW.

Pussy Willow, Pussy Willow,
Soft as any downy pillow,
Sleeping all the winter long—
Cease your sighing—
Winter's dying—
Don't you hear the robin's song?

Pussy Willow, Pussy Willow,
Soft as any downy pillow,
Standing by the little stream,
Cease your sleeping—
Spring is peeping—
Wake and tell us all your dream!

Pussy Willow, Pussy Willow,
Soft as any downy pillow,
Don't you love the children dear?
Hear their laughter—
They are after
Pussy Willows far and near.

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B BARRED Rock eggs, from a pen of the "National strain," selected for their choice barring and persistent laying of large perfect colored eggs, and mated with two prize cockerels, vigoous, blocky, barred, to the skin. Price, \$1 per 13, or \$2 per 40. W. C. Shearer, Bright, Ont.

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LOCHABAR Stock Farm and Poultry Yards offers eggs from the following varieties: Barred Rocks (Latham's strain), Buff Orpingtons, S. L. White and Partridge Wyandottes, \$1 per 13 Imperial Pekin duck eggs, \$1 per 9. Eggs from imp. Bronze turkeys, \$1.50 per 9 eggs. D. A. Graham, Wainstead, Ont.

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WHITE ROCKS—Eggs from my prize-winners at \$1.50 per 15, \$6 per 100. Geo. R. A. Miller, Vailentyne, Ont.

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