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Biennial Wormwood or False Tansy.

Will you kindly identify the enclosed weed?

SUBSCRIBER. Ans.—The weed received at this office is a specimen known as Artemisia biennis. The common names which this weed sometimes goes by are Biennial Wormwood, and False Tansy, the latter is a poor name for it. This weed is not particularly common, nor yet is it troublesome on a well-managed farm. It is a biennial plant and if prevented from going to seed it is possible to eradicate it in two years. Afterharvest cultivation and the use of a broad-shared cultivator are means of eradicating it from the fields.

Probably Toad Flax.

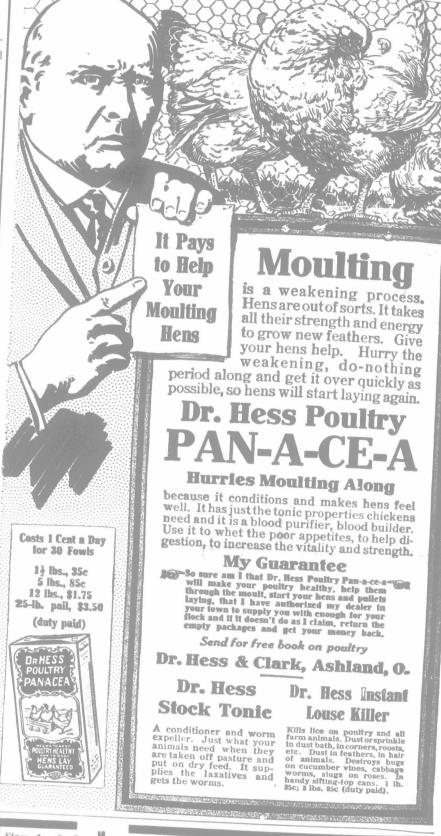
Will you kindly let me know the name of the enclosed plant. There is a patch of it in one of my fields and I should like to know if it is a trouble-

Ans.—There was neither flower nor fruit on the plant received at the office, consequently it was difficult to say definitely what family it belongs to. However, we believe the plant to be toad flax, Linaria vulgaris. weed is not particularly troublesome, where short rotation of crops is followed. It is quite a common weed and is gradually spreading, especially in light and shallow soil. In waste places, road sides and meadows it is a persistent weed, being a perennial and also deep-rooted. Badly infested meadows or pasture land can be cleaned by bringing them under cultivation in July, summer-fallowing until autumn and planting a hoe crop the following spring.

Strawberry Culture.

I planted a patch of strawberries last spring but I don't know when to replant the young plants, or how to care for them before winter sets in. would like information regarding straw-perry culture. M. B. W. berry culture.

Ans.-It is not customary to replant the same year as the plants are set out, but if it is desired to extend the patch another year the plants forming on the runners are frequently selected to start the new patch. We presume that thorough cultivation has been given through the summer, and that the strawberry bed is free from weeds In cultivating, care should always be taken not to allow the cultivator to injure the roots of the parent plants, If weeds once get a start among new plants and runners the labor is much increased. While cultivating with a hoe, a careful man can do much towards increasing the crop. The new plants formed by the runners could be spaced so as to prevent crowding. A runner placed where wanted and a little earth put on it, will take root and Sometimes the plants become overcrowded, and it is necessary to cut off some of the growth. If there is a heavy growth, some do not give the plants any winter protection. However, it is usually advisable to mulch the but yet it should be of sufficient thickness to prevent freezing and thawing; possibly three inches of straw or strawy manne would be ample. The time to apply this is in late tall as soon as there is sufficient frost to hold the wagon, but the covering should be applied before the snow falls. The general practice is to take this much hoff the plants in the spains and leave in in the undile. The town. This tends to consider modelless the town. This tends to town the first consider and helps to large the first characteristics. As a course of pour than one course there we have be





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