

and far more pleasant to do, for it requires a great deal of time and patience, and is anything but pleasant labor to get the leaves out of the rose bushes in the spring. Tea roses should be laid down and covered with soil in the same way that we treat raspberries. Mulch with half rotted cow manure and when the ground is frozen cover the beds with salt hay or fern, if obtainable, or leaves, covering the whole with spruce boughs or wire netting.—American Gardening.

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**Irrigation Has Come to Stay**, because it is a success. It has already gladdened the heart and brightened the pathway of many a western farmer. It means a sure living, and a competence in the future. With the introduction of fish culture on your farm in connection with your irrigation plant, those desirable results will come quicker. It will not only add to the beautified home, surrounded by groves, orchards, vineyards and gardens, which the transcendent power and influence of water will make possible, but it will enable you to raise fish, and bring a new food to your table—a change of diet which in all ages and climes has proved beneficial to the human family. Do not delay, for delays are dangerous. Build your ponds and reservoirs, dam the draws, corral the springs and creeks. Keep the live stock away from the reservoir and keep the water fresh, and you will have a wonderful start towards bettering your condition as a progressive farmer.—JOHN H. CHURCHILL, Kansas.

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“HEAR how the trees in the orchard moan,” exclaimed the romantic miss. “I guess you would moan too, if you were as full of green apples,” replied the matter-of fact youth. And the air grew a-chill.—Philadelphia Record.

