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## The Garden Frame

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They may even be sown out of doors, but if the intention is to grow them for the greenhouse, it is more convenient to sow in pots. They must be kept perfectly cool throughout the summer and just safe from frost in winter. The Brompton Stocks are really hardy, though in a wet winter they are liable to perish. Various winter-flowering Stocks may be raised from seed sown in a frame in July; if grown as hardily as possible they will provide a most welcome display in winter and early spring.

**Cuttings of Shrubs.**—Many shrubs are easily increased by means of cuttings taken in July; if inserted in pots of light soil or in a small bed of similar material in the frame, they will form roots. The cuttings are made from the shoots which have blossomed; they should be 6 inches or rather more in length and severed immediately beneath a joint. The frame must be kept closed, and shaded if necessary, for three or four weeks; however, a little air ought to be admitted each morning to allow the moisture to disperse. If the whole frame cannot be devoted to this purpose, the cuttings should be placed beneath a handlight or bell glass in the frame. Suitable sorts of shrubs from which to take cuttings are Philadelphus (Mock Orange), Flowering Currant,