



*Tobacco Decoctions*—These may be made by steeping waste tobacco leaves and stems in cold water for a few days; 1 lb. of tobacco waste to 2 gallons of water.

The time of year at which these sprays are applied depends upon the powers of observance of the grower. A close watch should be kept for the presence of the small, active, greenish-yellow larvæ which may be found in the axils of the leaves close to the bulb. Spray should be applied as soon as they are readily apparent and as often as deemed necessary. The first spray should be applied about June, and particular care should be taken to direct it, under considerable pressure, into the axils of the leaves. On the degree of efficiency at which this first spray is applied will depend the necessary number of later applications.

Commercial growers of onions should provide themselves with suitable spraying-machines which will permit of the work being done rapidly and economically.

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