

REMOVING ROCKS.

Expensive and labor saving process for removing rocks from a farm is sure of an interested owner, for which reason the story of the "shooting," told by a correspondent of Rural New Yorker, is here set:

An especial line of economies did take place on this farm, for I have been fortunate enough to have the rocks removed by former generations, but a laborer was not so fortunate, and the reports of his "shootings" I never to see him. I found him at to begin operations on an ugly thing rock that showed about six inches above the surface and which was othered every time the field was weeded, cultivated or cut. With an iron straight side, then with the bar a was made, about two feet deep and enough so that the end of it was under the rock. A "stick" of namite (one-half pound), was crumpled in the hands, let into the hole and pressed lightly down with a broom handle. Then a piece of fuse two feet long was put in, having a cap on the end, and another "stick" was crumpled on top of the first. This was so that a cap would explode in the dynamite and the earth was filled in the hole and the lighted fuse was lit. The match was about 90 cents and the time of making the explosion was about 15 minutes. There was the broken stone to be hauled off, but in this case he sold the stone for 50 cents a perch, so that what he got for the stone more than repaid him for hauling.

Often a small rock, say three or four feet in diameter, will be turned out of the hole but not broken, then a stick or two is laid on the top of the rock and a bucket of mud (with all the small stones carefully taken from it) is placed on the dynamite, the charge fired as before and a broken stone is the result. The thing wherein most failures by beginners are made is by not putting enough dynamite under the rock. One blast I saw was a case in point; after the blast the stone was in almost the same position as before, but we saw by the impression on the soft earth that the stone had rolled to the top of the hole and almost rolled out, and then for want of a half stick more had rolled back again. Put enough under to do the work or you lose all that you put under. Another caution is to get as far away from the rock as the fuse will let you or else get behind some tree and close up to the trunk. I saw a shatter of a house broken by a blast that was fired fully 100 yards away. This was, of course, an exceptional case, but one does not want to get hit, even by an exceptional piece of rock.

Fall Plowing of Stubble Land.

The most common mistake in preparing ground for fall grains is waiting until just before seeding time or about the last week in August and the first in September, according to Orange Judd Farmer, and there are the following reasons why early plowing is the best: The weeds that have started after the cutting of the small grains are turned under and kept from seeding. This is no small consideration where the ground is at all foul. If some of the weeds near the surface should start after plowing, go over the field with a harrow or some kind of a cultivator and allow none to develop. The chief value of early plowing is that the land has an opportunity to become well pulverized and compacted before seeding time. If the land is hard when plowed, the numerous workings which should be given it in the rains of late summer and early autumn will dissolve the clods and obliterate damage if present when the seed is sown. Many failures with winter grains can be traced to late plowing and imperfect preparation of the seed bed. Begin plowing as soon as the shocks have been removed from the field. This will vary from the first week in July to the second in August.

Preventing Corn Smut.

For most of the smuts of the other cereals there are methods of treating the seed prior to sowing that, to a great degree, prevent the subsequent attack of the fungus, but there appears to be no such means for preventing corn smut. A farmers' bulletin says experiments have shown that the frequent spraying of the plants and ground with any of the better known fungicides will prevent a serious spread of the disease, but in practice this will hardly be warranted on account of the expense of such treatment. Possibly a more economical and as efficient means to be recommended is the collection and burning of all smut masses before they ripen and scatter their spores. Much could be accomplished in this way if, keeping a sharp lookout for the smut balls at every cultivation and at the harvesting of the crop. If attention be paid to the mature and the smut be collected and destroyed as recommended, but little loss will be occasioned by corn smut.

Watering Cabbage in Dry Weather.

The broad leaves of cabbage evaporate water very fast, and like other leaves, they probably take carbonic acid gas from the air and store it in the cabbage head. They require a great deal of water, and it is a great help to their growth in a dry time if soil is dug away from their roots and water in which some ferment and stable manure has been dissolved is poured in the hole. Then replace the soil that has been taken out. This will leave a dry surface and prevent evaporation. The cabbage will also grow faster than if the manure water is poured on the surface soil around the plant, says American Cultivator.

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Nothing has yet been found to supersede it for Diarrhoea, Cholera, Cramps, Colic and Summer Complaint. Don't take a substitute. Insist on getting the genuine.

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AN AWFUL COLD.

Mrs. Wm. Danks, Pine Grove, Ont., says: "I recommend Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup for Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness and Sore Throat. I had an awful cold and could hardly speak. One bottle of Norway Pine Syrup cured me completely."

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HEALTH RUN DOWN.

"I was run down in health and weak and could not get anything to do me good until I tried Burdock Blood Bitters, which has made me strong and well."

THOS. LAWSON, Terra Nova, Ont.

Imbecility in a man's own heart must make all his enjoyments—all that concerns him, unreal; so that his whole life must seem like a dreary dramatic representation.—Hawthorne.

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Many persons say they are "all nerves," easily startled or upset, easily worried and irritated. Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills are just the remedy such people require. They restore perfect harmony of the nerve centres and give new nerve force to shattered nervous systems.

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AWNLESS BROME GRASS.

Palatable and Remarkable Characteristics Observed in Tests.

Two notable claims advanced for Brome grass, commonly known as smooth, awnless or Hungarian brome grass, are its excellent endurance of summer heat and drought and its ability to grow on comparatively poor and hard soil.

This is a perennial grass with creeping root stalks that send up erect, strong, smooth stems from 1 1/4 to 4 feet high, with a free growth of leaves, and bears an abundance of seed. It has been well recommended for light soils in regions subject to extremes of temperature or long periods of drought, where the finer grasses do not thrive. Some years ago the South Dakota station said of smooth brome grass that it was the best grass yet tried at that station, catching well where properly sown, giving a good sod the first year and a fair yield of hay in favorable seasons. The forage, though coarse, was considered of excellent quality and under ordinary circumstances a large amount of early spring and fall feed could be obtained in addition to a good yield of hay.

Awnless brome grass is reported as remaining green in winter in the south, where it is esteemed for grazing. It grows well in cold climates, and Canadian reports speak very highly of it, both for nutritive qualities and luxuriant habit of growth.

In the report of tests with this grass under the direction of Dr. Saunders of the Canadian experiment stations it is mentioned as doing well on alkaline soil. The report further says: "Not only does awnless brome grass thrive in the rich, moist soil of the eastern provinces, but its growth and productiveness are so wonderful even in the dry plains of the west that its cultivation may be said without exaggeration to have solved the problem of fodder production."



SMOOTH BROME GRASS.

On a large scale in the arid western sections. Under irrigation brome grass has given on 200 acres of land the enormous yield of 4 1/2 tons per acre. One notable feature which distinguishes this grass is that, while most grasses, after the flowering period, deteriorate rapidly while the seeds ripen, awnless brome grass can be left standing until the seeds are fully ripe, yet the hay crop will be heavier without being poorer than if it had been cut while in flower, as should be done generally for all other hay grasses in order to get the best value. This remarkable characteristic of this grass is due to the fact that after the seed bearing stem has grown up a great number of leafy shoots spring up from its base."

What to Do With the Strawberry Bed.

Our usual method of treating a strawberry bed after the first picking season is to invert it and sow either cowpeas or clover, says a correspondent of Rural New Yorker. The only profitable crop we have ever gathered immediately succeeding turning under a strawberry bed is medium clover. Any strawberry bed which needs a plow to assist in cleaning it up should never be run a second season. We would remove the mulch and cultivate and hoe as we did the previous season if we wished to carry over the bed and begin at once after the first hoeing to spray with borax and continue spraying at intervals until growth ceases, repeating twice the following spring.

Notes and Notes.

The statistician of the department of agriculture, from preliminary returns on the acreage of corn, estimates a reduction of 5 per cent from the area harvested last year. There is a decrease of 502,000 acres in Illinois, of 208,000 in Iowa, of 661,000 in Missouri, of 722,000 in Kansas, and of 483,000 in Nebraska.

A beekeeper says that those beekeepers living in or near a town would do well to exert themselves in inducing the townspeople to plant hardwood trees in preference to other kinds.

American Cultivator says that when there is a fair set of fruits on trees or vines, if the fruit continues green longer than it should, a quantity of nitrate of potash very largely diluted with water will have a most extraordinary effect in hastening its ripening.

According to the July crop reports, with a few notable exceptions, among which is Georgia, with a condition of 104, indications as to the peach crop are somewhat unfavorable.

A new preparation under the name of "laurel green" is on the market as a substitute for Paris green. According to chemical analysis of the Cornell station, which is Georgia, with a condition of 104, indications as to the peach crop are somewhat unfavorable.

Some substances would be found in a mixture of Paris green and Bordeaux mixture after drying.

SUMMER COMPLAINT

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Everyone Should be Prepared for it With a Bottle of Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry.

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You cannot tell, when it seizes on you, how it may end.

Let it go for a day only, and see how weak and prostrated it will leave you.

Your only path of safety lies in providing yourself with a bottle of Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry.

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It settles the stomach, has a soothing influence on the irritated bowels, a stimulating action on the weakened system and is a powerful disinfectant of the whole intestinal tract.

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