

YEAR WITHOUT A SUMMER.

The story of the Phenomenal Weather that Followed a Cold Spring in 1882.

During a cold spring, like that which is just now drawing to an end, people generally console themselves with the reflection that they will eventually get the victory, and that summer will certainly come at last, though its coming may be delayed. Uncertain as the weather is, the general features of the seasons recur with a regularity which warrants the confidence thus reposed in the annual return of seed time and harvest; but there are instances on record in which even the seasons seem to have lost their characteristic features, as if the ordinary laws of meteorology had been temporarily suspended.

Farm and Garden.

From "Gardening for Young and Old," by Joseph Harris, we present some valuable suggestions, which will be in season at the present time when preparations are to be made for spring work in the garden.

CABBAGES.—Mr. Harris has had abundant experience in raising cabbages, and these are his figures on the profits, the ground having been thoroughly enriched and prepared. It would not be difficult, he remarks, to raise five thousand heads to the acre, which would readily sell for ten cents a head.

ASPARAGUS BEDS.—The old and costly way of making asparagus beds by deep trenching is properly objected to in this work. Mr. H. says that the first bed he ever planted must have cost him in labor and manure at the rate of a thousand dollars an acre, with no better results than are now obtained with one-tenth of the expense.

MANGEL WURZELS.—The trouble with those who cannot raise mangel wurzel in the field is, they do not make the ground rich enough. They succeed well when their garden beds, which are essentially the same thing and require like treatment. Make a field-garden by giving the soil depth and richness, and they will succeed perfectly.

BEANS.—These should be planted thick—about an inch apart in the row. This makes them ripen sooner. The first dish of beans always came from the children's garden, because they planted thicker. There is a limit, however, and if too thick, the crop will fail.

Swearing a Chinaman in Court.

From the British Columbian.

In the case of Sing Lee, before the court of assizes last Monday, there were quite a number of Chinese witnesses. Some of these people believe in the bible and some do not. The common mode of administering an oath to a Celestial is to write his name on a piece of paper and afterwards burn the paper. The belief is that as the name is thus annihilated so shall the soul and body of the Chinaman be if he tells what is not true.

One of the witnesses sworn in this manner gave evidence which some of the lawyers felt disposed to doubt. They wanted him to make a more binding oath. The interpreter gave it as his opinion that cutting off the head of a rooster was more binding on the conscience of a Chinaman than burning his name, or, as the interpreter expressed it, "the chicken is the worst."

The judge at once ordered a rooster to be procured. It was brought into court accompanied by the implements of execution—a hatchet, a zinc pail, and a piece of plank. The witness grabbed the rooster's legs with his left hand, and made a stroke at the neck of the victim. But the aim was not well directed. The neck was only cut about half through. He was dumped into the pail, and the witness with much dignity resumed his position in the box.

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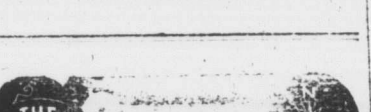
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SELECTING FLOWERS.

If we have not already made selection of the seeds we wish to plant in the coming warm spring days, it is best to make all haste now. We should never attempt more than we can accomplish; and if we, with limited time, plant the more delicate varieties we often leave them sadly neglected.

POISONS FOR INSECTS.—Hellebore and Paris green are used. As soon as the young melons, squashes and cucumbers appear, they are dusted with hellebore.

WOMAN SUFRAGE IN CANADA. Speaking of the clause in the new Franchise Act relating to women, the London Advertiser says:—"If we are to recognize the principle of woman suffrage, there is no reason why it should not be recognized fully.

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