### **PLANNING** A GARDEN

"Just what father will say I have no idea," began Doris, swinging a pinkchecked sun-bonnet over the porch railing. "But it was his letter that really started me. So he is partly to blame if he doesn't quite approve. And he does want me to stay outdoors.

"Everybody finds me out here, and I don't pretend to apologize for enveloping aprons and garden tools. I've dragged up enough porch furniture so that I can entertain people and now I don't interrupt things to dress. Out here ginghams do very nicely."

"It is a charming porch," remarked Louise, with a slight shiver, as she carefully rolled off her delicate gloves and lifted her fawn-gray skirts slightly. "But the yard-isn't it a bit dirty, even for ginghams?"

"Now, for goodness' sake, don't be snobbish," pleaded Doris. "It's lovely. And weren't you the very person who advised me to give up the winter term at school and come home, where I could get well making flower gardens? That was the very day father came for me with the news that this \$13. house in the suburbs was ours. came on to find snow everywhere and no possible chance to do anything but plan. Just when things began to get at your own table. sunny father was called away on this tiresome business trip. Through my conscientious efforts mother's life was made a nightmare until she got father to send a long list of instructions and plans for the garden.

"I started that very day in earnest. Father wrote: 'Have the garden spaded and arranged according to these plans, and when I come Doris can do all the planting under my instructions.' I can see his smile as he wrote that. What will he say to this, I wonder?

"You see, I had already made plans of my own. He had sent for lots of horticulturists' magazines and in one of them I found a glorious plan for a formal garden-just the size of Of course father wasn't specially interested in the flower side of it at all. He is so crazy over sweet corn and summer squashes that he can't think of other things. When he told me how much of the ground could be mine I kept the plan to myself, for there seemed such oceans of time to discuss it. After he went south I talked it over with mother, and she wrote him about some of my plans. That was why he sent his. So we started in, making every now and then a few changes that didn't really matter.

"Mother protested for a time, but she hasn't said a word for a weeknot since I started to dig the pool for my irises and goldfish. Yes, that's it. In the center will be a bank of gravel, growth are found to be quite producbut there will be a mud bottom for the tive when they are again cleared and long roots. And I had pipes laid, so well cultivated. there will be a continual flow of water across the pool. Of course there is the water tax to think of, as mother says, but maybe we can get a special rate, since we want to use so much water. Most things are cheaper at wholesale, you know.

"Along the sunny fence I've planted hollyhocks and cosmos and coreopsis, because they 'make amicable comrades when shoulder to shoulder,' as my book says. Father's corn was to viding warm, dry quarters in cold yave been there, but it can go somethere else just as well, and think of the difference in the looks-and on f.e most prominent side of the yard.

pool and the paths are to be of grass, with a four-foot border with sweet alyssum, pansies and foliage plants, just like the parks. And there are my poppy beds-'nymphs even in the heart of flowerdom,' my book calls them.

"That pillar? Oh, that is my sundial. Isn't it sweet? I had to have one, for this article says: 'About the of their company? sundial clusters all the romance of the ages. It is enveloped in an atmosphere of poetry.'

"Mother and I had our most serious discussion over that bed on the north side of the yard. I have to wait for father before I shall know about my summer house. There I shall serve ten, with rambler roses and clematis and wisteria climbing all about! Father had selected that side for his started, so I yielded to mother in that. I love asparagus, don't you? And if I'll have the vines over the porch, as mother suggested.

"Other vegetables? Well, yes, father wants them, and I am worried to think where he can put them. Why, he even wanted pumpkins and cantaloups. I have left a bed for get them up to their maximum yield. horses. lettuce and radishes and such pretty things as that. The book advised it. As for the rest, we can buy all the back to her most profitable yield and vegetables we want from the truck farmers around. I inquired about that.

"I haven't written father my entire plan. It will be such a nice surprise directly from the stable to the field for him, I think. Besides, it is so compilcated that he couldn't have understood it in a letter. I did write about tages of the manure spreader is that fully looked through. moving the tomato beds away from my hollyhocks and he telegraphed me thus always being ready for its parto let them alone, so that discouraged me.

"I have a suggestion, though. If he can't find room for his corn here, why there. He is coming home to-night talk to him about. Don't you think he'd like all that space for vege-



Test all seeds.

Little chicks like a clean house.

Some kind of shelter for the brooder is essential.

Usually the alfalfa is a little richer in protein than clover.

The commonest kind of clover hay is worth \$20 per ton and wheat straw

Do not put in a package a potato that you would not serve to a guest

When land is cropped humus is consumed. It must be replaced if the soil is not to deteriorate.

A commercial orchard must have its varieties selected to cover the season from the earliest to the latest.

Many improvements have been

made in sprayers and appliances dueing the past year. The best is the cheapest.

Rhubarb roots, when once planted, will continue to yield bountifully for ten years or even longer from the first planting.

treated by any of the standard methods, they should be guarded against being reinfected, before planting. For grapevines, the most dangerous

After seed potatoes have been

period of the year is in April, when the young shoots are showing some vigor and the juices running freely.

Turnips are sometimes hung in the yard so the poultry have to jump for them, but they are not relished quite so much in this way as mangels or cabbage.

The old-field lands that were allowed to grow up in pine and other

The question of securing competent labor to carry on the operations of the farm is becoming a very serious one in the southwest as well as other sections of the country.

The fact that hogs always make more rapid gains during the summer and fall months than in the winter ought to prove the wisdom of proweather.

There are many lands in the east which have been exhausted not only of humus, but also of a large share "The beds all circle about the iris of the plant food which they originally contained and for this reason many of them are abandoned.

> Don't you know the cockerels that you are selling now at market prices, were worth twice as much a pound when they were half as old, and that you have been feeding them two or three months solely for the pleasure

The apple picker soon recognizes the varieties which fill the barrel quickly, which are easily separated from the holding spur; which must be handled with care to avoid bruising, or which will bear rough treatment without showing it immediately.

Planting potatoes 12 by 36 inches apart will give 14,520 hills to the asparagus beds and they were already acre; allowing for a loss of ten per cent, on account of imperfect stand, there would still be 13,068 hills. At I must do without the summer house eight pounds to the hill, this would make a total of 104,544 pounds to the acre.

> Cows that freshen in the fall should have plenty of forage if the pastures are short and sufficient grain food to A cow that is allowed to fall away in her milk yield can seldom be brought especially at this time of year.

If the farm practice can be arranged that the manure can be taken may drop rams for breeding purposes. its greatest effectiveness will be secured, and one of the special advan- and feet, the fleece should be careit cannot be used for anything else, ticular service.

The commercial fruit grower recan't he buy this empty lot next to itable sorts which is a lesser number us? He could have a regular farm than the average home fruit garden culture are sometimes costly the same requires in order to supply the needs as in any other business, but the best and that is the first thing I want to for family use-he selects sorts that results are often gained by expericombine vigor of the tree, and attrac- ments. "What others have done, can tive color, large size, etc., but above be done" ought to be a safe rule to all, long carrying capacity.

Sheep flourish on weeds.

An incubator is always broody.

Chicks will not thrive in a close. foul atmosphere.

Look over trees and shrubs for final pruning before growth starts.

As the frost leaves the ground lawns may be seeded and sod rolled

Improved American horseradish requires the same culture as for rhu-

All goes well in good times. In bad times people talk of saving expenses. but have forgotten how.

Very few of the large commercial pear orchards contain more than a dozen varieties, and some even less.

Good clover hay, oats and bran are the proper feeds for mares in foat, and give light work for exercise, if possible.

Every farmer should do all he can to make farm life attractive for his children so they will not desire to leave the farm.

There is a salve for every sore, and there is a breed of hens for every one. Be sure and get the breed that you like best and you will succeed.

The original members of a flock of geese well cared for will live during the lifetime of two generations of a family and will be profitable during this time.

The American ben produces more. wealth in a year by six times than the gold or iron mines of the United States and she doesn't get much credit for it.

Don't be in too much of a hurry to get the ducks to laying. The chances are if they begin to lay too soon they will not lay as well as when eggs are wanted for hatching.

A light dressing of guano when the onions commence to button will increase the yield and will also ripen the crop several weeks earlier than those grown without this dressing.

The ideal berry ground should be, first, a rich, sandy loam with clay subsoil; second, a dark loam or gravelly loam mixed lightly with clay and a clay subsoil, all having a southerly or eastern slope.

Spraying for scale may be done at any time after the leaves drop in the fall until they begin to open in the spring, providing the weather is not too cold, and the material can dry on the trees before freezing.

ting age? How much of a run have they? Where do they roost? Why didn't you raise more? Have you as many this week as last? Did the cat Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, setting the blood and nuceous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Bold by all Druggists. didn't you raise more? Have you as many this week as last? Did the cat get any of them?

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There is nothing that makes a poultry house look cleaner and smell sweeter than a good coat of good whitewash especially when the odor or some good disinfectant pervades the air and penetrates the crevices. Whitewash is cheap and is easily ap-

Gapes are picked up by chickens from filthy ground. Gapes selfom trouble fowls when they have a large clean run. Prevention is much better than cure. Chickens are supposed to get gape worms from eating angle worms, but the angle worms never get gape worms in clean ground.

The high prices paid for glover seed during recent years would seem to indicate a growing shortage in the grop. The causes of this shortage are various, as for instance drouth and winter-killing. But the most potent cause by far is probably the clover midge. an insect that preys upon the seed during the formative period.

Experiments in France show that dried and ground skimmed milk is a good food for borses. The average amount fed is about 15 pounds per day supplemented by hay. Many horsemen in this country feed sweet milk to old horses to put them in good condition quickly. However, milk does not make good solid flesh in

Straight, strong legs are a necessity under breeding sheep and the pasterns must be strong, and although this is more important with rams it affects ewes to the extent that they When the sheep has been examined for mutton form, constitution, legs

Study the "other fellow's" methods of raising poultry and study them carefully, but when you come to apply the knowledge you have gained, use stricts his selection to the really prof- your judgment in applying it to local conditions. Experiments in poultry follow.

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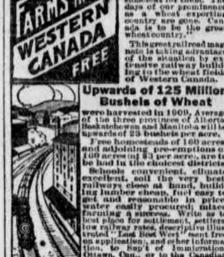


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