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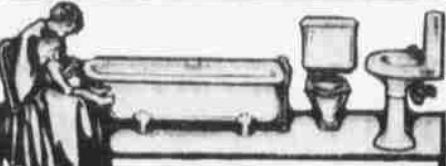
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leaves together so that the heads will blanch.

Lettuce will not grow if the ground is very dry, so that the hoe should be introduced to it very early and made its constant companion. Even then, it may be necessary to apply water in generous quantities, digging a little trench so that it will not be wasted, especially if it must be carried by the pailful. A teaspoonful of nitrate of soda dug around the plants which are slow to mature will speed them up, and regular applications of manure water are a help. Lettuce must be grown fast to be really satisfactory.

CELERY IN THE HOME GARDEN: For an early crop, to be ready in August, grow Paris Golden Self Blanching. You may buy started plants or raise your own in a cold frame, sowing the seeds broadcast about the middle of March.

Boston Market is the best winter celery for the home garden, although Giant Pascal is a popular and splendid variety. Sow the seed in the open ground in April. When the plants are large enough, you may set them where they are to mature, if you want to save labor, but two transplantings are desirable, because the formation of long tap roots is prevented and better plants insured.

To grow celery conventionally, dig a trench fifteen inches wide and six inches deep. Throw in plenty of well-rotted manure or pulverized sheep manure, or, failing either, a high-grade commercial fertilizer, and work in thoroughly into the soil. Set the plants in alternate double rows six inches apart, and only partially fill the trench, so that a hose may be used to run water into it. Keep down the weeds and if necessary shade the plants with boards or muslin or paper.

Here is a simpler though newer plan. Do not dig a trench, but make the soil as fine as the mills of the Gods are supposed to grind, and work fertilizer into it deeply. Then, set the plants in a single row eight inches apart and cover the ground (here is the point) with two inches of fresh horse manure (fresh, mind you), taking care that it does not touch the plants. Absolutely no further work will be required until time to blanch the celery. What could be easier?

Paris Golden is easily blanched by banking earth about it or using boards. A simple plan is to take a dozen stalks into the cellar from time to time and place them in a crock with the roots only covered with water. The stalks will blanch quickly and beautifully.

Paper strips are now being used in the garden for blanching celery and is much handier than boards. Winter celery may be removed to the cellar in November and banked up in sand. There really is no trick about growing celery. Try it, even though you grow only Paris Golden and buy your plants. You will have celery up to Christmas.

THE SWEETEST SWEET CORN:

City people who buy their sweet corn at the stores really don't know what quality corn is like. A few hours make a vast difference in sweetness, for corn loses its sugar rapidly.

Make your corn season a long one by planting an additional row every two weeks. It is useless to hurry the outdoor season, however, for the seed will only rot in wet ground. But if you are willing to take a little extra pains, you can be eating corn before your neighbor's stalks have tasseled. Late in April, use sheep manure or other fertilizer to make a plot of rich ground richer still, and then fill a few paper pots or dirt bands. Plant half a dozen kernels in each pot and keep the latter in a box in a sunny window, or set them in a cold frame. Set out of doors or give abundant ventilation on bright days when the plants appear. Early in May, set the plants in the garden and watch them grow. Golden Bantam or Peep O'Day, being early, are the varieties to use.

Corn likes to have plenty of nourish-

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