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As that entering closely into the historical part of this inquiry, we think our tomatoes have really improved in smoothness and quality as a general thing, when anyone has taken an interest in having a good article; and in tomato culture there certainly has been marked improvement.

Recently there have been brought into the community several ideas worthy of note in those who strive for the very best article. In regard to training, it is asserted that much better fruit—especially for eating raw—can be had from plants fastened to slant stakes, than when the plants are allowed to run at will over the ground, or even when they are fastened to slanting trellises.

Heavy stakes are required of course, as the great weight of a plant in fruit cannot be borne by light stakes. Straw bales are also frequently used, and they are very well, though sometimes the vines become very dense and obstruct ventilation and the ready ripening of the fruit.

In regard to training the plants, much attention has been given to thinning the branches, especially when grown on stakes, and in shortening back some of the branches to within a few buds of where the best fruit is set. Those who have followed this practice judiciously report good results.

But the latest novelty in tomato culture is in the matter of root pruning in order to produce earliness. In this matter some surprising results have been achieved according to those who have given it their experience. While the plants are young they are transplanted several times, which of course disturbs the roots, and after they are put out into their final resting place a spade is once in a while thrust down into the ground a foot or so from the main stalk. In this of course size and perhaps quality is sacrificed to a few weeks' earliness; but many are willing to pay this penalty for the sake of the early dish.

The principle here is much the same as is often done to get early grapes when a ring of bark is taken off. The supply of food being checked the result is early fruit, but with slightly impaired flavor.

These are the leading suggestions that have been made to improve tomato culture during the past few years—not great improvements, it is true, but still not without value.

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Next the Holsteins gained considerable favor, but did not long maintain it. Then followed the Jerseys—now more known as the Jerseys—which are still the pets of a great many, particularly of those who keep only an animal or two for their private use, and they are likely to hold their own in the future in this respect.

They are the most beautiful of all and the gentlest, and are particularly fond of petting and handling. And now, as the latest popular favorite, comes the Guernseys, which have apparently taken a firm hold upon the farmer—both of the solid and fine type—who claim for them, alike for milk and butter, as well as easy keeping and perfect symmetry, a superiority over all others.

Whether exercise is likely to establish these claims, we are not prepared at this time to say; but it looks just now as if they had taken a pretty firm grip on the people whose judgment of cattle is regarded as very reliable. Nevertheless, these have their admirers, and will continue to have. Some farms are to be seen to breed that to another, and that kind of course the wise man will adopt and prefer to others.

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