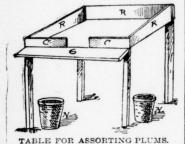


ASSORTING PLUMS.

at Is Easy Work Provided You Make a Table Like the One Here Described.

In most cases experience has proven that plums, if shipped to marproven that plums, if shipped to market in ten-pound grape baskets, provided with handles and put up in neat, presentable shape, will bring the producer a greater percentage of profit than if shipped in half-bushel or bushel crates or packages. A careful picker can fill the basket direct from the tree, but the usual plan is to pick into large receptacles, then, carefully sorting the plums, place in packages ready for market. This frequent handling removes a great deal of bloom from the fruit, which re-



moval should be avoided as much as possible.

By the use of a single table, as illustrated, plums and other similar fruits are easily assorted. The top of the table should not be over 3x2 1-2 feet, The sides and back (r, r, r) may be eight inches wide at the back, tapering to three inches in front; the front guards (c, c) should be less than three inches high, leaving a six-inch space between the inner ends; the clanting board (g) is six inches wide. To operate it, place the fruit carefully upon the table, the assorter occu pying a chair in front of the table, with a basket on his lap. Both hands can then be used in remov-ing the leaves, limbs, damaged or imperfect fruit, throwing the refuse into baskets (n, n) on the floor. The perfect fruit, or that intended for shipping, is rolled in front and passes over the incline (g) into the basket. This table need cost but little, and may be made in as crude or elaborate a form as wished. In working, the elbows can rest upon the guards (c, c), which will make the operation much easier. An ordinary table can be fitted with these simple appliances and quickly removed after the shipping season is passed.-L. S. Yates, in Farm and Home.

LOCATING THE HOME.

How the Surroundings of a Farm House Can Be Made Healthful and Attractive.

In laying out country homes one of the most important points to be well guarded against is the direction from the house of the stables, pig pens cattle lots and other necessary but bad-smelling accompaniments of the farm. However neatly they may be kept, there will be more or less of unwholesome effluvia arising from them in hot weather. As the prevailing winds of the summer are from the south and west, the proper place for such things is to the northeast or east of the dwelling. This will carry the odors away from instead of doward the house. A south or east front for the premises gives a better chance for such arrangement than any other. In planting trees, shrubbery, flower beds, and planning walks and drives follow the natural style rather than stiff, straight or formal lines, placing the trees and shrubs in groups and irregular lines, rather than in straight or geometrical lines of any kind, putting the larger ones upon the border of the house yard, with the smaller ones in front of them. This will make a back-ground for the shrubbery and flowers,

giving a natural and graceful look.

Lay the roads and walks in gentle curves from point to point, placing groups of trees or shrubs on the in-side of the curves, that the deviations from straight lines may seem natural and fitting. Make no gates directly in front of the main entrance to the awening, but rather sugnery to one side, from which the road or walk should gently sweep to the desired entrance. Plant no large-growing trees, so as to eventually shade and shut out the view. A few that will make good shade, such as the elm and maple, may be set in groups or alone where they will be out of the way, and yet sufficiently near the house to make convenient shade. Plant the native trees of the forest or which may be bought at little expense rather than those which are costly unsatisfactory Van Deman, at New York Institute.

Location of Berry Patches

Western horticulturists are advising to locate raspberry and blackberry patches on northwest, east or southeast, as the prevailing winds are mostly from the other directions. The evident than through it. The advantages are twofold. The canes are not broken by the gales, and during the hot weather the air does not so rapidly draw the moisture out of the soil. For the same reason a wind-break is an advantage. -Farmers' Review.

OUR CHEESE INDUSTRY.

To Make It Respected in Foreign Countries Requires Sensible Con-gressional Legislation.

A leading cheese exporter who is quoted in the Boston Transcript states that the total production of cheese in this country at the present time is fig-ured at about 265,000,000 pounds an-nually and that we export about 70,-000,000 pounds of this amount. He figures that the home consumption is about 260,000,000 pounds, including about 12,000,000 pounds of foreign cheese that is imported. If these figures are correct our exports of cheese are very much larger than they were last year, which are given by the treasury bureau of statistics at 38,198,753 pounds for the fiscal year of 1899. Most likely the Boston exporters' figures are exaggerated, but it is probable that we shall show a considerable gain in our exports for this year. Since the cru sade that has been made against "filled" cheese, our cheese has recovered some of the reputation that it lost. There is a demand for further legislation to prevent the counterfeiting of well-known brands of cheese, in order to restore the prestige of these different makes. Congress is being urged to give our cheese-makers the benefit of laws that will enable them to compete with Canadian dairymen, who have developed a large export trade in recent years at our expense. It is believed that with laws that guarantee the genuineness of our cheese products we might recover the former high position they enjoyed in foreign markets. It is pointed out that American cheese is in some cases bought by Canadians and shipped to Great Britain as a Canadian product, finding a ready market. Our dairymen make as good cheese as can be found in the world and should have a considerable share of the foreign trade. What they need in order to occupy a more prominent position is legislation that will convince the foreign consumer that he is not being deceived but is buying cheese that is exactly what it is represented to be .- Farmers' Voice.

THE FARMER'S WIFE.

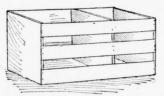
This Writer Thinks She Should Have a Great Deal Less Work and More Reward.

The life of the average woman on the farm is by no means one continual round of pleasure. Her duties are multifarious, beginning with the early dawn and ending-well, they never seem to end. There are so many things for the busy woman to do in the daily routine on the farm. Outside of the regular household duties which fall to the lot of the city wife, there are chickens, turkeys, ducks, etc., in the poultry line to attend to, churning and often the milking to do, fruits in season to pick and care for, and hundreds of little things that are calculated to keep an ambitious woman busy. Her earnings usually consist of what she can make out of butter, eggs and poultry. It is a comparatively rare thing that the woman on the farm has to draw on the resources that come from the sale of general crops or live stock to buy her necessities. She is expected not only to maintain herself, but buy many useful articles for the house out of the products of her own individual labors. Let us hope that the old adage "Man's work is from sun to sun, but woman's work is never done." may some day be modified so that the "better half" may have less work and more reward.-Chicago Sun.

QUICKLY MADE CRATES.

How to Make Shoe Boxes Available for the Rapid Handling of Fruits and Potatoes

Shoe boxes are the right shape and size for crates, just as they come empty from the shoe stores. Cut out two strips



CRATE FOR GARDEN TRUCK.

on each side and put a cross partition in the middle, and the crate is complete. This will prove very useful in handling the fruit crop, or for potatoes, etc. A short strip of wood with the under surface cut out for the fingers, nailed to each end, will prove convenient when handling the crates .- Orange Juda

Keeping Old Cows in Milk.

Milk cattle, receiving indifferent care, age a great deal more rapidly than others, says George E. Newell in the American Cultivator. A cow's as regards milk yielding value, should be measured not so much by years as by care and feed. A nat-urally good cow, if she has had rough usage, will be played out in a lacteal sense when she is eight or nine years old. But if she has a fair showing from her owner in the pasture and stable, she should remain a profitable milker for 12 years, and sometimes longer.

Wheel Hoe for Garden Work

The wheel hoe will save much labor in the garden. Usually such an implement is a combination affair, comprisfrom the other directions. The evident ing seed drill, cultivator teeth, mark-reason for this advice is that the winds ers, rakes and knives, each being detachable. On heavy soils the wheel must necessarily require more power for its operation than when used on light, sandy soils, but as it is the cheap-est implement made, in proportion to its various uses, no one will make a mistake who procures one, as it is a wonderful labor saver.

When a preparation has an advertised reptatation that is world-wide, it means that preparatize is meritorious. If you go into a store to buy an article that has achieved universal popularity like Cascarets Candy Cathartic for example, you feel it has the indorsement of the world. The judgment of the people is infallible because it is impersonal. The retailer who wants to sell you ask for, has an ax to grind. Don't it stand to eason? He's trying to sell something that is not what he represents it to be. Why? Because he expects to derive an extra profit our of your credulity. Don't you see through his little game? The man who will try to sell you a substitute for Cascarets is a fraud. Beware of him! He is trying to steal the honestly earned benefits of a reputation which another business man has paid for, and if his conscience will allow him to go so far, he will go farther. If he cheats his customer in one way, he will in another and it is not safe to do business with him. Beware of the Cascaret substitutor! Remember Cascarets are never sold in bulk but in metal boxes with the long tailed "C" on every box and each tablet stamped C. C. C.

He Wouldn't Tell.

The argument by analogy or hypothetical case is often dangerous. A very stately and dignified clergyman used to tell a story illustrative of the risk of this method. One of his parishioners was much addicted to drink and one night the vicar met him coming home in such a condition that he remonstrated with him on the spot, and by way of clinching his argument, asked: "What would you say if you were to see me recling down the street in a state of hopeless intoxication?" The offender appeared to be deeply impressed and answered, fervently: "I wouldn't tell a soul, sir."—San Francisco Argonaut.

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Those Loving Girls.

Maude-If I only had my life to live over again—
Clara (interrupting)—Why, I thought
that's what you were doing.
"What do you mean?"
"I heard you tell the census man you
would be 22 your next birthday."—Chicago
Evening News.

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Horrors of War.

The hardworked humorist sat at his desk, and without the slightest apparent effort he dashed this off: "Why do you Peking here?" asked Tsi casned this off:
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Ann of the Russian general, who was reconnoitering in the imperial neighborhood.
"Because I am going to Taku," was the referee reply.

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Yet such things as this were not men-tioned among the horrors of war discussed at The Hague conference. — Baltimore Amer-ican.

Lane's Family Medicine.

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Love does not usually laugh at a parrot which says: "Now, George, you stop!" although to our mind this is much funnier than the average locksmith.—Detroit Journal.

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When one woman out of a hundred has nothing to say the other 99 are asking what is the matter with her.—Chicago Daily News.

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can acquire a good deal of money with an acquire a good deal of money with a converge much else.—Atchison Globe. Hall's Catarrh Cure

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Don't try to condense the milk of human kindness.—Chicago Demograt.

A perfect stranger is not necessarily perfect in any other way.—Indianapolis News.

The Cornfed Philosopher.—"It is hard for me to acknowledge that I do not know it all," said the Cornfed Philosopher. "but I confess I cannot see why the rock-the-boat idiot is allowed to live until he's strong enough to tip it over." — Indianapolis Press.

Press.

Mrs. Gabble—"Mrs. Phoxy seems to exercise a peculiar influence over her husband." Mrs. Noah Tall—"She does. She has preserved an alleged poem he wrote when he was a young man, and whenever he gets obstreperous she threatens to read it to him."—Philadelphia Press.

Deacon Jones—"This custom of making wagers is becoming lamentably common, besides being absurd. What would you think of me, now, if I should say I'll bet ten dollars I will get a letter to-day, instead of simply saying I expect to get one?" Frank Mann—"I should say you had a dead openand-shut."—Boston Transcript.

Robert—"What's the matter between Fred and Fannie? They are not seen together of late?" Richard—"It's all Fannie fault. She made Fred ridiculous in public and I don't blame him for getting mad. Robert—"What did she do?" Richard—"Something awful. She asked him to open a car window for her—of course knowing that the thing was impossible."—Bostoa Transcrin.

Transcript.

I used to know a nervous man, who feared that he'd be robbed. Immense precautions did he use, yet with that terror throbbed. He thought thieves might take anythinghis folks, his goods, his life—so when he went away from home he always wired his wife. He pursed his lips to keep them safe, he used to hide his son; he always kept his books well bound; he liked tied games alone. Of course he'd lashes on his eyes, and, as it sometimes rains, he took in all the shows each night. His arguments had chains. He wouldn't buy a chainless wheel, although the neighbors laughed; and when he died he left a wish they'd sink his marble shaft.—Yale Record.

Family Ties Exhausted.

At one of the great department stores the other day a young man was indulging in airy persifiage with the pretty shop girl behind the counter while waiting for his change. "What a wonderful place you have here!" he said. "What do you sell?" "Everything." was the incredulous comment. "What do you mean by everything?" was the incredulous comment. "What do you mean by everything?" "Just what I say," responded the girl. "Anything you want we can supply you with here." "Oh, you can, eh?" commented the pretentious Alexander. "Well, let me look at some family ties." Without remark, but with demure countenance, the girl went away, but in a moment returned and said: "I am sorry, but the manager ais me that we are just out of family tie, owing to the great demand. Perhaps wa'd like to look at some family jars?" Ine young man decided, however, that the latter was an undesirable commodity, and he would have none of it.—N. Y. Tribune.

"Have your summer vacation plans matered of the summer was a believed."

"Have your summer vacation plans matured yet, Billy?" "Oh, yes; but they had to be side-tracked of account of some summer notes that also matured."—Indianapolis Journal.

Remember that other people's business isn't any of yours.—Chicago Daily Democrat.

Lydia Pinkham's

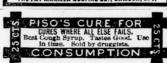
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He Advised Others But Did Not Folgestions.

The crowd began to gather as soon as the man fell down. One of the thoughtial ones ran to a drug store aand rang up an ambulance, and in a few moments a great clanging and elattering was heard down the street. Then the ambulance drew alongside the curb, the natty young physician dismounted from the rear step, and the crowd standing around the man who had fallen formed a lane for him to pass through. It required only a glance for the natty young physician to see what ailed the man, says the Washington Post.

"Prostrated by the heat," he said, coolly, to the crowd. "Anybody here know him?"

There was no reply, but just as the ambulance men were about to pick up his prostrate man a stout man pushed his way through the crowd, glanced at the improm of the victim of the heat, and said:
"Here, you can just fetch him up to my house. He lives with my family. He's the man who writes the 'Hints on How to Keep Cool in Hot Weather' for the papers."

Just about seven-eighths of the people

Just about seven-eighths of the people should cut out that part about forgiving one's enemies before they repeat the Lord'; prayer.—Atchison Globe.

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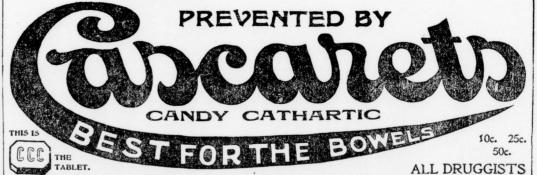
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