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### READ SOMETHING LIKE CIPHER.

#### Fearful and Wonderful Memorandum of Baltimore Crok.

In the family of a former Baltimorean now residing in Providence, R. I., there is a middle-aged German woman—a relative of the family—who, though having lived in this country over a quarter of a century, has not yet thoroughly mastered the English tongue. The expressions of this relative, who keeps house for the family, sometimes afford much amusement to those unaccustomed to her peculiarly characteristic "pigeon English."

Happening to visit the kitchen several days ago the head of the house discovered tacked up against the wall a crude memorandum pad. Inquiry developed the fact that it was a reminder of the day's culinary needs. This is what was written in combination English-German chirography on the little sheet:

Tapoca pruns corn Starsh Shraded Wieth Sarden saman Egg i cie Salso sellerte

The memorandum was confiscated and sent to friends of the family in Baltimore. It is being preserved as a classic.—Baltimore News.

### HIS ONE AVAILABLE ASSET.

Mr. Johnson Willing to Give Well-Written Note of Hand.

The financial prospects of Mr. Washington Lafayette Johnson were decidedly clouded, but he still preserved a sanguine spirit, which his friends did not always appreciate.

"I'd like to borrow jes' a little money ob you," said Mr. Johnson, confidentially, to a friend. "I—I wouldn't ax you fo' it, but I ain' got a single cent left in de worl'."

"What security can you gib me?" asked his friend, without any enthusiasm.

"Why, I gib you my note ob hand!" and Mr. Johnson looked pained and amazed at such a question. "I reckon you don' know what a good, clear handwriting I got in de ebening school."—Youth's Companion.

### OF COURSE NOT.



Clerk—A blind man to see you, sir. Master—Can't see me!

Irrefutable Tramp Evidence. Tramp—I understand that a pocket-book, containing \$20,000 has been found on the street and you got it here. I lost it."

Police Justice—What proof have you got that you lost it? Tramp—This big hole in my pocket.

### COFFEE DRINKING

#### A Doctor Says it Weakens the Heart.

"In my opinion," says a well known German physician, "no one can truthfully say that coffee agrees with him, as it has long since been proven that caffeine, contained in coffee, is an injurious, poisonous substance which weakens and degenerates the heart muscles.

"For this reason the regular use of coffee, soon or late, causes a condition of undernourishment, which leads to various kinds of organic disease.

"Convinced of this fact, I have often sought for some healthful beverage to use instead of coffee. At last I found the thing desired in Postum. Having had occasion to forbid people using coffee, whose hearts were affected, I have recommended Postum as a beverage, since it is free from all injurious or exciting substances. I know this from results in my own family, and among patients.

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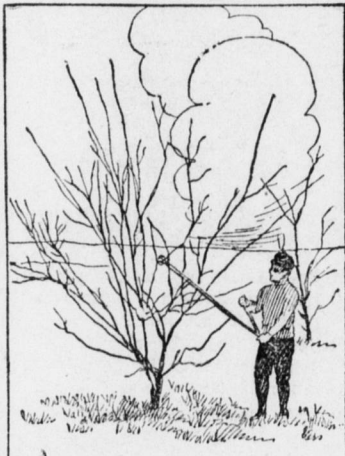
## HORTICULTURE



### A WORD ABOUT PRUNING.

Suggestions for Work Which Should Be Done Next Month.

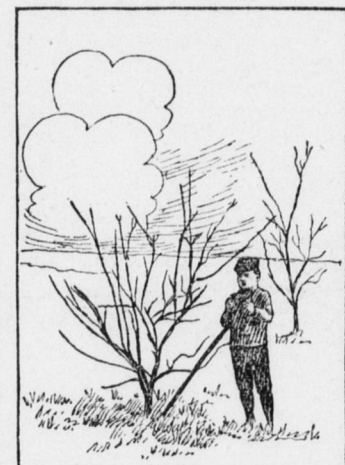
It is a well-known old saying that the time to prune is when the saw is sharp. Practically most of our fruit-tree pruning is done in early spring.



Plum Tree Before Spring Pruning.

March being the accepted month. There is a manifest tendency among the most advanced fruitmen to do more summer pruning and less spring pruning. It is also quite plain that those who are not real experts in orchard matters are apt to overdo the spring work with the pruning saw.

Pruning is carefully and conservatively done every March from the time the trees are planted out, it may be considered a safe operation. The excessive pruning of neglected trees at this time of year, on the other hand, is apt to be more of a damage than a benefit, says the Country Gentleman. Under present circumstances, we have to recognize the fact that March



Same Tree Pruned, Showing Method of Heading Back.

will be the main month for pruning on farms and in small orchards. In face of this fact, it is well to urge the advice to be careful with the pruning tools, especially with the saw and the ax, and not to go too fast.

### EFFECT OF MULCH.

It Does Not Retard Blooming of Strawberry Plants.

No. This question has been settled for 20 years. So long as the top of a plant is exposed to sunshine and air, so long will any mulch be impotent to retard its developing and blooming. If a plant like a strawberry plant be kept entirely covered with the mulch, the development will be retarded, but in that case the plant is likely to be destroyed by the mildews that will develop.

It used to be believed that placing straw around a tree or around a plant would keep its roots cold and thus delay blooming. This was desired to carry the tree or plant beyond the time of killing frosts. But it was not difficult to prove that the state of the roots had nothing to do with the time of leaving out of the tree or of its budding. In one of the demonstrations to prove this, a grape vine with its roots in the frozen ground, which was also covered with snow, was carried into a greenhouse and exposed to the light, heat and sunshine. The leaves came out as usual, though the roots could not supply moisture. Of course the exhaustion of the moisture in the vine resulted in its destruction. A tree or a plant can be kept back from blooming only by covering it and thus protecting it from the influences that cause it to bring forth leaves and blossoms. The first activities of a tree or plant come from energy stored up in the form of starch from the food taken the previous year.

### Remember This.

Remember, when making up your order for trees for spring planting, that it is best not to plant big blocks all of one variety. Mingle the sorts, so that their blossoms may help to fertilize one another.

### Look to Grapevine Trellis Posts.

See to grapevine trellis posts when a thaw comes the latter part of this month. Tighten and fasten wires. Tie up vines where needed. Have the trellis taut, straight and strong.

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### As He Understood It.

A youngster who has been living with his grandmother in Nutley, N. J., was brought to the city for a visit a short time ago, and while here was taken to the theater for the first time in his life. In one of the scenes a butler comes on the stage and announces, "My lord, the carriage waits."

When the little fellow returned to his grandmother's home he started in at once to describe to her the play he had seen.

"And then, Granny," he said, in his excited description, a big man with gold buttons on his coat came on the stage and said: "My God, there's a hack outside."—N. Y. Times.

### An All-Round Man.

William V. McManus, the new president of the Letter Carriers' association of New York, had been discussing the ideal letter carrier.

With a laugh he ended: "Yes, the ideal letter carrier needs to be as all-round, as many-sided, as divinely gifted, as the man a Cincinnati suburbanite advertised for last month.

"The advertisement ran: "Wanted—A man able to teach Spanish, water color painting, and the violin, and to look after the bull."

### BABY CRIED AND SCRATCHED

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"My baby niece was suffering from that terrible torture, eczema. It was all over her body but the worst was on her face and hands. She cried and scratched all the time and could not sleep night or day from the scratching. I had her under the doctor's care for a year and a half and he seemed to do her no good. I took her to the best doctor in the city and he said that she would have the sores until she was six years old. But if I had depended on the doctor my baby would have lost her mind and died from the want of aid. But I used Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment and she was cured in three months. Alice L. Dowell, 4769 Easton Ave., St. Louis, Mo., May 2 and 20, 1907."

### The Old Lady Was Willing.

The delinquent subscriber who had been "dunned" beyond all endurance wrote the assistant editor:

"Do let me know when I kin ketch yer editor-in-chief in his office. Every time I stop that they tell me he's out. What I want to do is to beat hell outen him!"

The assistant editor replied: "Come right away. His wife says he's got both the devil and the other place in him, and she wants you to keep your word and beat 'em out of him. Come on."

### Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

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### H's Idea.

Casey—What is this game called golf that I do be readin' about? Sullivan—Well, Mike, it's me own belief that it is hockey wid a collige addication.

### ECONOMY VS. DECENCY.



Old Hubby—Dear me, Ella! You might have that dress made a little higher in the neck.

Young Wifey—I'll have it altered if you like, but this stuff costs three guineas a yard.

Old Hubby—H'm!—well, it doesn't matter.

### Case for an Expert.

"Have you fixed up my will just the way I told you?" asked the sick man, who was the possessor of many needy relatives and some well-to-do grasping ones.

"I have," asserted the lawyer. "Just as strong and tight as you can make it, eh?" asked the client. The lawyer nodded.

"All right," said the sick man. "Now I want to ask you one thing—not professionally—who do you think stands the best chance of getting the property when I'm gone?"—Youth's Companion.

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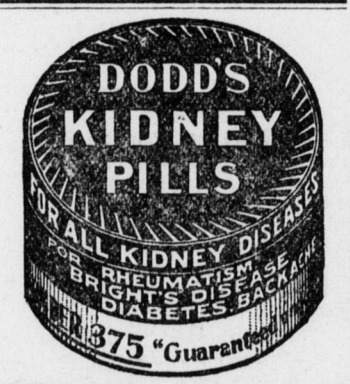
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