More Than Commercial

Value in Fruit Trees

There is a growing tendency to use

fruits, especially fruit trees, for orna-

ment as well as utility. It is not dif-

ficult to appreciate this, for their flow-

ers are certainly a beautiful sight in

themselves, and the fruits often make

striking effects in contrast with the

foliage. Flowering shrubs and trees,

more particularly those bearing color-

ful fruits, are always in demand. There

surely is no reason to disregard do-

In localities where commercial

orchards exist, people come from great

distances to see the trees in bloom,

The early cloudlike masses of white

bloom on the cherries, plums and

pears, and the exquisite pink glory

of apples in full bloom are sights to

be remembered, and withal they fill

the air with fragrance borne far by

the breezes. As the season advances.

and the branches bow with clustered

fruit, a great appeal is made to the

Make fruit trees a part of your flow-

er scheme. Often a large mass of

color, such as a full-blooming fruit

tree offers, is just the thing to make

a picture that will stand out in your

memory in contrast with the pictures

presented by the landscape planting

Missouri gets a place in a list of

states that have made some definite

plans or actually have accomplished

something toward highway beautifica-

tion. Enough states now have con-

cerned themselves with this idea to

give it a national scope. In a few of

the states hundreds of miles of trees

have been planted along the highways;

in others this or similar improvement

has been started or is contemplated.

The planting of shrubbery, placing of

historical markers of artistic quality,

together with removal of the litter of

signs and roadside shacks, all are on

the program of this hopeful enterprise.

The conviction seems to be growing

that returns on the full investment in

highways cannot be realized until they

are made more inviting and restful to

the eye. As matters stand, there is

danger of excessive speeding to get

away from the ugliness that crowds

upon the traveler in practically every

mile of his journey.-Kansas City

House and Lot Unity

The keynote to a beautiful home

is unity between the house and the

lot. There can be no unity where

the house is of unusual design and

the grounds bare or improperly plant-

ed. Proper planting involves the prop-

er use of shrubs. There are three dis-

tinct uses of shrubs: For screening

unsightly objects; for making a nat-

ural transition from the house to the

In carrying out the above ideas as

are used by owners of pretentious

houses and country estates, a few sug-

pertaining to the average suburban

home grounds, shrubs fall into three

general heights: Dwarf-three feet

and under; medium-three to six feet;

high-six to ten feet and up. The lat-

ter size is rarely used for foundation

Noxious Weeds in City

The city commissioner of Calgary,

Canada, recently issued a warning to

all owners of properties where noxious

weeds are allowed to flourish, that un-

less immediate steps were taken to

wipe out this nuisance the city would

do the work and the cost be charged

against the property holders. Last year

the city experimented with chemicals

as weed eradicators and their efforts

are shown by the reduced growth this

year to have met with success. The

cost of the campaign would be about

\$10 to \$20 per lot, the commissioner

estimated. He advised citizens who

own lots where the harmful weeds are

growing to eradicate them, otherwise

Provide for Recreation

ground areas has come to be one of

the chief enterprises of American

cities. The center that can show it-

self to be a leader in this respect is

making an excellent bid for more residents and establishing a strong claim

upon those it already has. Ample rec-

reation facilities are indispensable in

Build Upon a Rock

man to build upon a rock is valuable

and practical advice. It is not always

possible to follow it literally, but with

present-day knowledge adequate foun-

dation may be built regardless of soil

Playgrounds Multiply

More than 800 communities in the

United States have established public

The admonition of the ancient wise

modern city life.

conditions.

playgrounds.

The building up of park and play-

the city would have to step in.

planting.-Detroit Free Press,

yard, and for accent purposes,

Times.

to Be Thing of Past

at other periods of the season.

Highway Ugliness Soon

eyes as well as the palate.

mestic fruits.

ABOUT THE COWS

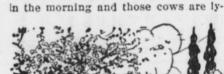
66 M OO, moo," said Mrs. Cow, "the way some talk about us!" "Moo, moo," said Mrs. Brown-and-White Cow, "what do you mean by that?"

"I was thinking," began Mrs. Cow. "I do hope it didn't tire you," said

Mrs. Brown-and-White Cow. "No," said Mrs. Cow, "it didn't tire me at all. If it had tired me I would

have stopped thinking." "Sensible," said Mrs. Brown-and-White Cow. "But pray continue." "I was thinking," continued Mrs. Cow, "of the time last spring when

some children passed us one morning. "They were evidently having a holiday, but they said: 'Just think, it is only ten o'clock





"They Haven't Any Lessons to Study."

ing down or sitting down and haven't a thing to do. "'They haven't any lessons to study

and they haven't any examinations coming. "They haven't any chores to do.

They can enjoy scratching their chins under the fence or resting by the brook or choosing some lovely shade tree under which to lie. And all at ten o'clock in the morning.'

"'Still,' said another child, 'I'm glad I'm not a cow. They don't have such bounding joy as we do and they don't feel all excited and happy over their birthdays or over their school games.

"Yes," continued Mrs. Cow, "that was the way they were talking. First they envied us because they couldn't take off all the time we could in which to do nothing.

"Then they were glad they weren't cows, as they liked to have excitement which we miss, such as birthdays and so forth.

"But I thought to myself that they shouldn't talk about us and about our luziness.

"Maybe we are lazy. But we give milk twice a day and we make them feel strong and well so they can enjoy their parties and their birthdays and their games.

"Besides, if we had birthdays they wouldn't be able to have so many presents or such a fine cake, as some of the family money would have to be

used for our birthday cakes. "What if every cow had a birthday cake with candles! What an absurd thing that would be.

"And just suppose we all sat around and wished each other a moo-moo hap-

py birthday. "What good would we do if we tried

to do chores? "Suppose I should run up the street and do an errand in place of Lillian when she wanted to play, would it be of any use?

"Not a bit of it. If I hurrled up the street people would start after

"And if I did get as far as the store and then get inside they wouldn't wait on me or know what I wanted. "So why shouldn't we sit still when

we can't be of any use doing the things others can do? "We can't study for examinations as we don't go to school, and if we did go to school the teacher would

have a dreadful time. "I looked in the schoolhouse window down the road once and I knew I could never sit in one of those silly little

desks. "I couldn't put up one leg (I haven't any arms) and say:

" Please, teacher, I know the answer to that question!' "So I sit here as do all of us and

we rest and we eat and we give people milk. "We do our work well. "But when we're not working or when we haven't anything to do we

know we're not!" "Fine sentiments," said Mrs. Brownand-White Cow.

don't pretend to be busy when we

"Well," said Mrs. Cow, "when spring is here again next year, people will see us lying down in the morning and will probably say how lazy we are.

"But let it not upset us." "Oh, no, moo, moo," said the other cows, "we won't let it upset us."

"We will continue to do our own cow way," said Mrs. Cow. "Our own cow way," repeated Mrs.

Brown-and-White Cow. "Our own cow way," said the other

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Building



Sophie Tucker

Popular Sophie Abuza, known to fame as Sophie Tucker, the daughter of Russian-Jewish immigrants, was born in Boston. In her early days Sophie was a maid-of-all-work. She ran away to New York to get into theatricals, and she finally landed in vaudeville. Her next important movement was to get into Ziegfeld's follies, and later returned to vaudeville, but was induced to enter the "movies," her first picture being "Honky Tonk," In which she is star-

For Meditation 000000 By LEONARD A. BARRETT

A LESSON FROM BIRDS

Life is impossible without struggle. Everything worth having costs something. Defin-



ite and impelling motives drive us to performing not only heroic deeds but to the enduring and mastering of the strain and monotony of daily When we toil. make diligent effort to discover what this motive is we find that it is nothing less than what Henry called the greatest thing

in the world-love. L. A. Barrett. Love of country creates the patriot. Love of fine arts, the artist, musician, painter, sculptor. The highest form of love is paternal, the love which a parent possesses for a child, which is frequently called mother's love. Paternal love is expressed in many ways-perhaps the most enduring and wonderful is sacrifice. For love of country a man will offer his life as a sacrifice upon the field of battle. For love of ideals which dominate his life, the student will endure the most severe hardships. Enthusiasm, that very essential element to all success, is the result of one's love for his particular task. The love, however, which maintains the home, and provides and protects little children, is most real and wonderful, and is the most stabilizing factor in the development of our modern

civilization. Expressions of sacrifice are not confined wholly to human beings. We find it expressed in almost every form of life. One of the most interesting demonstrations of this element of vicarious sacrifice is found in the customs of birds. An illustration of this is the male cardinal who will sit, with eye alert, upon the green grass near the nest in order not to drive enemies away, but to attract to himself and away from the nest any enemies who may have designs upon his offspring. He thus voluntarily transfers to himself the danger which might possibly come to his mate and baby cardinals. Another bird will mimic a "bird with a broken wing" in order to attract the attention of the cat which may have designs upon the nest. This principle of voluntary self sacrifice is discovered in life's most minute beginnings up at last to man. Thus the birds teach us the lesson that voluntary self sacrifice is one of the most potent factors and impelling impulses in life. When expressed in human life it is the chief source of all contentment and satisfaction. The experience which will bring to you the greatest happiness is your act of voluntary self sacrifice, through which some one you love very dearly is made more happy or has at last realized

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Hindu Festivals

The outstanding Hindu festivals which have a national appeal are the Durga, the Lakshmi and Kali "pujas" in northeast India and their equivalent, and the "Dewall," in the rest of India. The pulas and Dewali take place in October and are celebrated with pomp for several days, Government trade is all but suspended. Business at the bazaars during the few days preceding the puja is very active.

Sow "Adopted" Skunk

A Duroc sow became the mother of ten fine little porkers on the Coffeyville (Kan.) farm of C. F. Emerick. Some three or four days later a baby skunk wandered into the pen, apparently about lunch time for the pigs. The baby skunk accepted the invitation to stay to lunch, and made its home in the pen for a month, when it was accidentally killed by its foster mother.

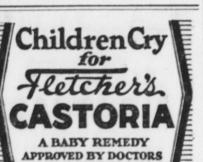
Gigantic Cofferdam

The largest cofferdam ever constructed is now in use in connection with the development of St. John harbor. New Brunswick. It is 4,300 feet long by about 300 feet wide and incloses one of the two new piers projected.

Thorough

"After my daughter finishes chemistry we propose to give her a course in electrical engineering." "That will be nice."

"Yes, we want her to be a good



Shells Still Plowed Up

Although the World war ended more than ten years ago, farmers are still plowing up shells in the rural districts of Rheims, France. In many cases the shells have exploded and caused injury or death.

Heavenly Cora-Why did Muriel insist on be ing married in an airplane?

Dora-Well, she's so conceited that she thought no man on earth was good enough for her .- Tit-Bits.

For Verification "The chief has insulted me. He said

I was more stupid than the police allowed. What do you make of that?" "I don't know. I should inquire of the police."

Easy

money together. How will we furnish | Magnesia! our house?"

"With wedding presents."

More Fun

foned. Grace." "Mine, too, Mabel. So I always go out with grandmother."

That's the Ticket "Did you manage to give the cop

the slip. "No, he gave me one."

One Point of View

Love is most sincere when it loves according to needs, and not according to merit.

Gave Him Credit for One Mr. Bore-I know a thing or two. Miss Yawn-Really? What's the other one?

Practical "Why the filmy outfit?" "I'm taking a screen test this morn-

How foolish a man feels when he hears of a baby being named after

A girl is never seriously ill until she loses all interest in romantic novels.

Fishing and horse racing are considerably alike-great to enjoy, but rather empty to talk about.



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orful event. About 3,500 invitations are issued.-American Magazine.

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How It Started By JEAN NEWTON

THE "MACKINTOSH"

THE mackintosh has become so fa-miliar an object in the household that we do not stop to think of its origin or how it came by its name. The word designates not only a wa-

terproof coat but the material of which it is made.

The mackintosh is a little over a hundred years old, the first one having been produced in 1823. It derives its name from the inventor, Charles Mackintosh of Manchester, and had its origin in his experiments with India rubber and cloth. Mackintosh material was produced by applying to cloth a solution of India rubber in coal-tar naphtha which resulted in ab-

solutely waterproofing the material.

Charles Mackintosh lived from 1766 to 1843, long enough to see his invention put to practical purposes and to reap the rewards thereof. His name comes down to posterity with the bequest he left to modern indus-(Copyright.)





"The light-headed girl seldom has a heavy heart-if any."

THE WHY of SUPERSTITIONS By H. IRVING KING

TRANSFORMATION OF PLANTS

THAT plants are able to transform themselves not only into other species but into forms of animal life is firmly believed by many persons in this country and Canada-people, too, who in their communities are esteemed for their good, hard, everyday, com-

mon sense. Chess, or cheat, is quite commonly regarded as wheat which has undergone a transformation. "Wheat turns into cheat," the farmers say, and not very long ago some agricultural papers gravely discussed the matter. Now, chess, or cheat, is the Bromus Secalinus and wheat is Triticum Saativum, and such they remain however much they may deteriorate or however much

they may be improved. A superstition found in some sections is that mosquitoes are the products of young alder buds. Mrs. Bergen mentions "an intelligent lady" who told her of "a certain marsh plant, which from being a plant in the early part of its existence changed into a snake." Various superstitions of the sort are scattered about the

country. The idea of the transformation of plants is not new; it is as old as the hills-almost literally so. Theoprastus, the learned Greek, writing in the dawn of the Christian era, says that wheat turns into darnel and gives a long list of plants which, if they are not watched, will change into entirely different species. And primitive man accepted as a fact beyond dispute that plants and trees could change into forms of animal life, even human beings-as is testified to by many an ancient myth. Trees and plants had life; to the primitive man they were also the abode of souls or spirits. From them why should not human be-

ings be born? It is stated by some learned men that the Norse folk believed all the human race to be derived from the sacred ash. Juvenaile speaks of the "new race," which "sprung from the oak," and Homer alludes to the same origin for mankind. The idea of the transformation of vegetables can be traced far back and appears to have been once universal. Luther Burbank had nothing on primitive man.

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gestions will be given: Plant in masses and not as individual shrubs; use planting beds and make them large enough; use care in size and color of shrubs; plant small shrubs in front of larger growing shrubs. All shrubs have a natural height and will never grow, taller. As



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