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worms by hand. In southern Pennsylvania, even when the greatest effort is made to destroy the winged insects that lay the eggs, enough worms are found to necessitate hand picking, in order to prevent damage to the leaves. The work of worm-ing is a long and laborious task, for lt must be continued as long as the tobacco remains in the field, and the more thoroughly it is performed the fewer holes there will be in the leaves of the tobacco, and the greater its value. A drove of turkeys or a hen with chickens, will aid greatly in destroying the worms in tobacco, and may be used to advantage.

produce seed as well as leaves. But as only the leaves are desired in most cases, an operation is performed upon the plant, called "topping," which diverts the energies of the plant from the seed to leaf growth. Long experience in tobacco culture has taught the tobacco-growers of Lancaster that the topping should be done as soon as the seed bud makes its appearance above the leaves. This the growers of many sections will do well to consider, for it is customary in some localities to allow the seed stalk to push up to its full height, and flower, before it is broken off. It must be obvious to all that unnecessary growth of the stalk and the top leaves, which are to be removed in the process of topping, is made at the expense of the vitality of the plant, and the yield of the crop is lessened in consequence. The number of leaves that should remain on a plant after it is topped depends upon its strength and forwardness, and the grower needs to exercise his best judgment in the work. Of course a strong, robust, carly plant will mature more leaves than one that is weak, sickly and late, and to pass judgment upon each separate plant and top it accordingly, needs the exercise of good judgment and experience. From eight to sixteen leaves are usually left upon a stalk, depending, as above stated, upon its strength and forwardness. I have known growers to endeavor to mature as many as twenty leaves upon a plant, but never in such cases are the best results secured, for the leaves will not sufficiently mature to yield the best quality of tobacco.

That poor bedridden, invalid wife, sister mother, or daughter, can be made the picture of health by a few bottles of Hop Bitters. Will you let them suffer? when so easily cured.

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