

Agricultural.

Preservation of Apples.

Apples intended to be preserved for winter and spring use, should remain upon the trees until quite ripe, which usually takes place at the coming of the first heavy frosts. They should then be plucked from the trees by hand, in a fair day, and packed up immediately in cases, in alternate layers of dry sand, plaster-chaff, saw-dust, or bran, and conveled to a cool dry place, as soon as possible. The sand or saw-dust may be dried in the heat of summer, or may be baked in an oven at the time required to be used. The peculiar advantages arising from packing apples in sand, are explained and commented upon as follows: by the late Mr. Webster, author of the American Dictionary of the English language.

" 1st. The sand keeps the apples from the air, which is essential to their preservation.

2nd. The sand checks the evaporation or perspiration of the apples, thus preserving them in their full flavor—at the same time any moisture yielded by the apples is absorbed by the sand—so that the apples are kept dry, and all mustiness is prevented. My pippins in May and June, are as fresh as when first picked. Even at the ends of the stems they look as if just separated!

3d. The sand is equally a preservative from frost, rats, &c. But after the extreme heat of June takes place, all apples speedily lose their flavor, and become insipid."

Cranberries.—The attention of the public having been called to the culture of this delicious fruit, and Mr. Gardner, of Massachusetts, having produced 320 bushels to the acre, on upland soil, I proceed to give his mode of cultivation, as follows:

" I select a piece of cold wet land, that will keep moist through the year—remove the soil to the depth of two inches; this prevents all grass or weeds from growing, and the plant will require no cultivation after it is set out. After the top was removed, I harrowed the ground smooth, and planted it out in drills 18 inches square, placed in holes a little below the surface. They all flourished fast, though my expectation the first year they put forth runners three feet long, and every vine was loaded with fruit. The plants can be set out from April to the first of June.—*Farmer's Cabinet.*

A VAULT OR EXPERIMENT.—I had a plentiful crop of chess, where my wheat failed this season, and the cookie was not scarce. I have been taught to believe that wheat will in a class, but I cannot advance any conclusive reason for that belief, and on the contrary, I am now inclined to the opposite opinion, but I believe that by some means the seeds of chess has got possession of most of our grounds, and he there waiting a suitable opportunity to vegetate. The fact which came under my observation, has been the main cause of this change in my belief. A neighbor of mine, in sowing a field of wheat, accidentally dropped some chess seed, and did not discover the omission till sometime after, and finally did not sow the field again at all. But the following summer the missed half land produced a fine crop of chess. While the other parts of the field were as free from chess as common. Now, how did the chess come there?

PRESERVING WINTER APPLES.—At the time of gathering winter apples is at hand, I will give you my method of saving this fruit, being one very much successful experience.

I gather the apples carefully by hand, and put them in the house, on some cloth or straw, taking care to avoid bruising them, and let them remain until in danger of freezing, then put them in barrels or boxes in the cellar, carefully taking out all bruised or defective ones. If I want some to keep a long time, I pack them in dry salt, or saw dust, that has been kiln dried. Fine slavings, well dried answer a good purpose. The fruit cellar should be dry and cool as possible without freezing. Some kinds of apples require to be handled with extreme care to avoid bruising, such as they will flower and rot.

AN OR POKER.—Farmers usually sell poultry here, keeping in some parts of the country, such as the Borders, where geese are killed and plucked for the sake of the feathers before being sent to market. Peleers in towns, on the other hand, kill and pluck every sort of fowl for sale, so that the purchaser has at his power to judge of the carcass, and if he buys an inferior article at a high price, it must be his own fault. It is easy to judge of a plucked fowl whether old or young, by the state of the legs. If a hen's spine is hard, and the scales on the legs rough, she is old; whereas her head is not; but the head will corroborate your observation, if the under tail is so soft that you cannot beat it down, and the comb thick and dark.

A young hen has only the red-pink of spurs, the scales on the legs smooth, glossy and fresh colored, whatever the color may be, the claws tender and short, the under bill soft, and the comb thin and smooth. An old hen pecks like roach scales on the legs, callousness on the scales of the feet and long strong claws, a young one the reverse of all these marks. When the feathers are on an old turkey cock has a long beak, a young one but a sprouting one; and when they are off the scales decrease on the point besides differences of size in the wrinkles of the neck, and in the glaze skin upon the nose. An old goose, when dressed, is known by the roundness of the legs, the strength of the wings, particularly by the legs, pinions and tail, and the coarseness of the skin. Feathers are distinguished by the same means, but there is this difference, that a duckling is black and larger in proportion to the breadth of its head than that of an old duck. A young pigeon is discovered by its pale color, smooth scaly, tender cockpit feet, and the yellow webbing down interspersed among the feathers. A young pheasant that can fly has always red colored legs and no down, and is then too old for the purposes of the gun.

DRAKES.—H. Drake, a species of dog, with a coat of jagged hairs in the skin, between the scutular hairs, grows on a very true red, are unpalatable, repulsive to birds and animals. Animals fed upon them always lose condition, and the nature of animals so fed is almost worthless. I saw this striking insect in magnificient park of the Duke of Bedford, at Weston Abbey. Here there were many spots where the grass was ruined and destroyed, on account of their excessive damage, and where were entirely replaced both by the sheep and deer, but wherever these pheasants grew, had no damage, indeed they became the favorite food of the sheep.

New York Advertisements

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September 1847.

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