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FARM AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

We invite communications from all persons who are interested in matters property belonging to this department.

The Tomato and its Culture.

The following interesting article upon this subject is written by J. Payne Lowe, whose address is found below :

How to Improve the Fruit.

Our experience has told us that this is 'the way to do it :

1st. Plants should be grown in warm. light, rich soil from the seeds of the carliest ripened fruit having most, if not all the valuable qualities mentioned.

2ad. They should be grown early.

3rd. During no time of their growth should they suffer from want of warmth. snnshine, fresh air, and a soil in proper mechanical and chemical condition for their healthy growth.

Germinating the Seeds in a Small Box.

For family use, (and it is especially with this view we write,) the plants may be started in a little box in a warm room; and for field culture in a hot-bed or green house. In quite a small box all the plants any family need may be grown .--A few plants well cared for will be worth a great deal more than a large number ill-grown, such as we so often see crowded to suffocation and death in dealers' hot beds. Such long, weakly things can have no value. The little box need be no more than two feet long, a foot wide and a few inches deep, covered with glass to counteract the dryness of the atmosphere of the room. Put the box in the sunshine, keep the room warm and carefully ventilated. Do not be in too great haste to germinate the seeds; but once started see that the plants get no check for want of care.

When to Sow Seed for an Early Crop.

In the neighborhood of New York, the seed may be sown about the middle of February or beginning of March.

Transplanting.

When the plants are two or three inches high they may be put into small pots to be afterwards transplanted into larger ones, or into a hot-bed. The transplant-ing of them at *least* twice, or even three or four times before putting them in the open ground,-which should not be done till all appearance of frost has gone, unless they are protected when necessary,will hasten early ripening. Each time, before transplanting, the soil should be well watered so that a ball of earth may be removed with each plant, and this is particularly desirable when they are being put in the open ground and thus their growth will not be checked. During all this time let them have all the light and fresh air that they can stand; use mild days, but beware of cold and frost. A uniform warm temperature is desirable, but not so hot as to make the plants grow too tall and sickly. If convenient, the plants, some time before being set in open

Varieties-The Best A great deal might be said on varieties; but after having tried the most popular ones the writer grows " Lester's Perfected Tomato," in preference to all others .-Though not one of the newest varieties

claiming attention-having been favorably known for some years-but as many mixed and spurious seeds have been grown and sold under this name, which misrepresent the fruit and the gentleman who introduced it, the writer has taken some pains to secure the genuine seed, as will appear from the letter given below. He grows "Lester's Perfected Tomato,' first, because he thinks it the best, and do all kinds of second, because he farms for profit as well as for pleasure.

> Lester's Perfected Tomato. NEW YORK, S7 3rd Avenue,

July 21, 1869.

J. Payne Lowe, Esq.: Dear Sir :-You know that, some ten years ago, after long and careful culture, I brought out -with no thought of making moneywhat has since been so widely and favor- Public Sale Bills. ably known as Lester's Perfected Tomato.

But I find that SPURIOUS AND MIXED seeds have been everywhere sold under, this name, thus wronging the public, and misrepresenting the fruit and myself.

Last year I determined to try to put a stop to all this; and I again grew the genuine fruit, germinating some seeds from which you had this season all the plants in full bearing when I visited your place in New Jersey, two or three weeks ago. I committed them to you because I knew that they would have perfect culture.

In planting them wide apart you gave them none too much room; for the green bronzed-colored vines had spread so far and were so loaded down with fruit ! I was glad to see the old fruit again-its smooth and even form, thin skin, luscious but delicate and finely-flavored flesh, and its great beauty of color.

Now raise every seed and scatter them as widely as you can, for from you alme, am I sure that anybody will get my Perfected Tomato.

Charge enough for them to pay for the trouble-say 25 cents a paper-and put a few seeds only in each little package, so that they may go as widely as possible.

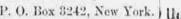
Faithfully yours, E. EDWARDS LESTER.

This letter shows that pains have been taken by the writer to grow what he considers the best variety of tomato, and as he feels that he can sell many times the In fact we are prepared to do every quantity of seeds on hand, he has nothing to gain by endeavoring to give undue prominence to the variety spoken of -Those, however, who may differ with him on the subject of varieties will, it is hoped, not find the other portion of his article unworthy of attention.

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Rev. Francis Mason, Tounghoo, Birmah:

. . My son was taken violently sick with dip-

theria, cold chills, burning fever, and sore throat.

I counted, one morning, ten little vescicles in his

throat, very white, and his tongue toward the

root, looked like a watermelon full of seeds; the re-

mainder coated as thick as a knife-blade. So many

children have died around here, I was afraid to

call a physician, and thought I would try your Pain

Killer for a gargie with small doses inwardly. I

did so and found the gargle invariably cut off the

vescicles, and he raised them up often covered with

blood. He was taken on Sunday: on Wednesday

his throat was clear and his tongue rapidly clearing

off. I also used it as a liniment with castor oil and

hartshorn, for his neck. It seemed to me a won-

derful cure, and I can but wish it could be known

to the many poor mothers in our land who are los-

was stung by a very large black scorpion ; the pain

was indescribable. I immediately applied the Pain

Killer, (for I never travel without it.) again and

Dr. Walton writes from Coshocton-" Your Pain

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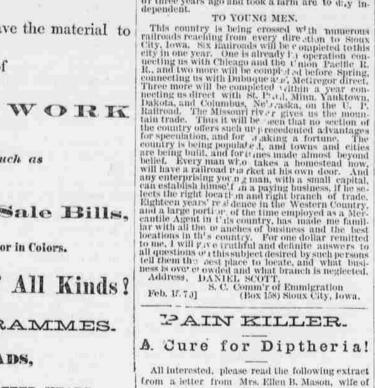
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Consumption of the Lungs, Cough, Sore Throat



ground, may be put into a cold frame, protecting them at first as much as muy be necessary.

If the above plan [be followed faithfully you will have an abundance of fine healthy plants, when everybody else is scouring the country for what is not al-ways to be found-good tomato plants.

Open Ground Culture.

Once in the open ground they will delight and flourish in a rather light than heavy, and rich, but not over-rich, soil, and if on the southeastern exposure of a hill-side, where they will be protected from the cold winds, and enjoy the sunshine, all the better.

They should not be less than four feet apart. Keep the soil friable. Let no weeds grow. Hoe early and often, and they cannot take possession of the soil.

When to Sow Seed for a late Crop.

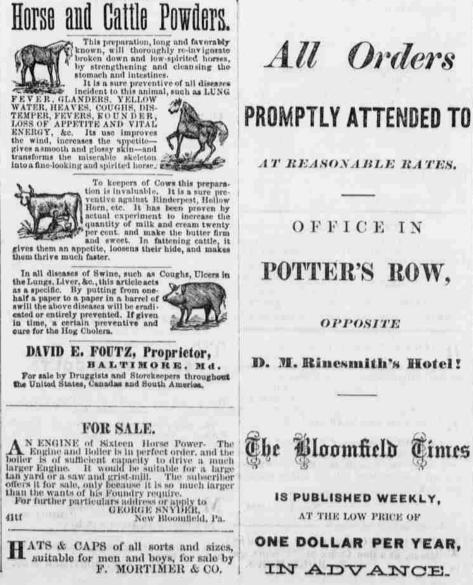
For a late crop the seed may be sown in the open ground in spring. When planted in their place, they will bear till the frost comes, and longer, if protected.

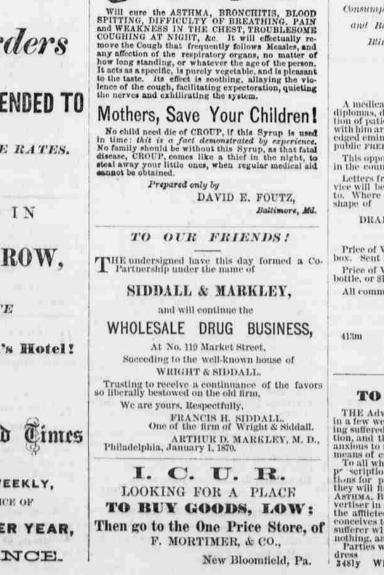
Pruning.

As the greater part of the fruit on the tomato vine is borne near the ground it will be found that the shortening of the vines will cause nutrition to flow to fruit instead of making branches. Don't be afraid to cut out all suckers and non-bearing branches, and to shorten those that wander. The writer knows that the advantages of pruning are questioned by some, but he has learned by experience, whatever muy be the rationale of the matter, the results are in favor of rather seccre pruning.

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