

Planting Trees in the Fall.

The question as to whether Spring or Fall is the better season for planting has been much discussed, and the conclusion reached has generally been that in Western New York and similar climates one is about as good as the other.

Last Fall, quite late, after the hurry of the season was all over, I planted several hundred dwarf pear trees. After planting the earth was drawn up about the base, say six or more inches above the level of the ground, to give protection to the roots and stiffen the tree against the force of the wind.

It is easy to see what an advantage these trees have over those planted this Spring, even under the most favorable circumstances - for the latter, in spring planting it often happens that a long period of cold weather and drying winds follows the planting, and the trees get seriously dried before the growing season opens.

We must take some risk in planting at any season, but, on the whole, I think the chances are in favor of the Fall for hardy deciduous trees.

Two young women met. They had not seen each other for two months. The following conversation ensued: "Been to Long Branch. Where were you?"

"To Saratoga. Any offers?" "Yes, nine; two of them counts. You have any?"

"Thirteen. One was an earl." And that girl who had been to Long Branch went home and shed bitter tears of vexation, though the fact of the matter was they had neither of them had any offers at all, and both knew it.

A scientist affirms that eventually, as our globe contracts, there will be only thirteen days in the year. It will be jolly to have Fourth of July, Christmas, Washington's Birthday, and all the rest of the holidays in one week, and be able to remind creditors who come nosing around that legal holidays must be respected.

For whitening the teeth there is nothing superior to wood charcoal, very finely powdered. Take a few shavings of Castile soap and dissolve in spirits with the aid of heat. Use this solution to make with the charcoal, a very stiff paste, adding a little syrup or honey to sweeten it, and scent to suit.

Times are a little easier since cool weather set in. A paper collar that wouldn't last a man six hours in the heated term now looks happy and confident when, at the end of a week's wear, it is ready to be split into two new collars.

"Speaking of bathing," said Mrs. Partington, "some can bath with perfectly impurity in water as cold as Greenland's icy mountains and India's coral strands; but for my part, I prefer to have the water a little torpid."

"That's what I call a finished sermon," remarked a man as he was coming out of church. "Yes, finished at last," replied the neighbor, "though I began to think it would never be."

It grows more as the season advances. In July there was a worm in the pear, and now it is just about all the pear can do to spread itself around the worm.

A man being asked, as he lay sunning himself on the grass, what was the height of his ambition, replied, "To marry a rich widow with a bad cough."

It was George D. Prentice who declined to discuss the question of woman suffrage because he had considered woman, from the creation, as a side issue.

Horses employed in haying on the marshes near Hustisford, Wis., wear wooden shoes made of plank six by eight inches screwed to the hoof.

A lady says there are more superfluous men than women, and the rest of her sex would like to know where they are.

A merchant in Galesburg, Ill., went into bankruptcy the other day so dead broke that he couldn't even pay his respects.

A Chinaman spoke all the English he knew in Indianapolis the other day, and was fined \$7 for profanity.

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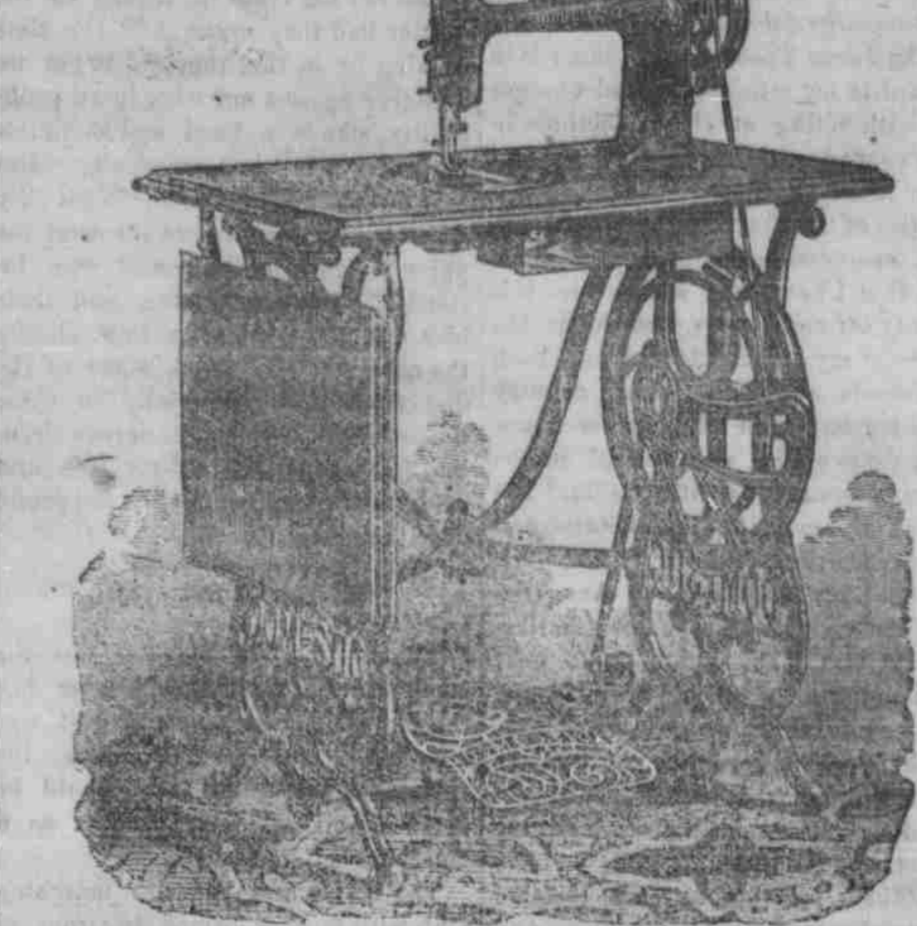
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