

FAIR, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD.

Orchard and Garden Notes.

ROBINS AND CHERRY TREES.—Careful experiment has shown that robins will not trouble cherry trees or fruit of any sort, so long as they can get worms or insects, such as beetles or grubs.

MANURE FOR THE GARDEN.—A generous supply of the best and finest of the manure should be kept for the garden. No other part of the farm pays so well as this for the liberality.

PLANTING OLD FRUIT CANES.—Practical tests in the matter of irrigating plants by means of old fruit canes punctured with pin holes and sunk in the earth near the roots of the growing strawberry, tomato or rare flowering plants, as the case may be, leave no doubt of its success in small plots which admit of the labor of sinking the cans and keeping them filled with water during times of drought.

BUDDING TREES.—No specified time can be given for budding fruit trees," says an agricultural editor, "as the operation must be performed when the stocks are in a proper condition.

PEACH ORCHARDS.—I have just examined two peach orchards containing 1,000 trees each, planted four years ago the coming spring out of the same lot of trees.

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Household Hints.—Keep your salt and pepper boxes on a little shelf back of or near the stove and save your steps.

To bake potatoes quickly, pour boiling water over them and let stand a minute or so before putting into the oven.

Glass vessels in a cylindrical form may be cut in two by tying around them a worsted thread, thoroughly wet with spirits of turpentine, and then setting fire to the thread.

If you wish to clarify sugar and water that you are about to boil, it is well to stir in the white of an egg, while cold; if put in after it boils, the egg is apt to get hardened before it can do any good.

Always get your material for breakfast ready over night; fix the fire already to light, fill the tea-kettle, grind the coffee and prepare the potatoes, and thus you can sleep half an hour longer in the morning.

HOG VERSUS POLONAISE.

Joshua's Midnight Chase and Its Strange Results.

At midnight the summons came. Maria Ann thrust her elbows cleverly between two of my ribs, and whispered in a ghostly accent: "Joshua, there is a hog in the garden. I have lived with Maria long enough to know that she expects me to catch her ideas instantly; and although she had said nothing about it, I knew that she anticipated that I would rise in my night and go for that hog. I accordingly rose in my night, and began groping around for my pantaloons. I felt that without them I could not appear to that advantage that would command the respect of the hog.

"Settled the within for \$25, as I had never had the sardines as charged. Paid the money the day the cook fell down stairs. Rejected Mr. B.'s offer to wed him just before the bill came in." An official envelope containing several papers was marked: "Various notices hinting at marriage; orthography especially poor, grammar terrible, construction very bad. Answered each one kindly but firmly."

Logan at Fort Donelson. General John A. Logan, who was elected to the United States Senate by the Republicans of the Illinois legislature, was found severely wounded on the battle-field of Fort Donelson by our esteemed circuit clerk, Captain W. E. Bell, who, thinking him dead, took off his splendid sword and belt and sent them to his family.

How to See the Wind. Take a polished metallic surface of two feet or more, with a straight edge—a hand-saw will answer the purpose. Take a windy day, whether hot or cold, clear or cloudy, only let it not rain or be murky; in other words, let the air be dry and clear, but this is not essential. Hold your metallic surface at right angles to the direction of the wind.

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A Business Woman.

Few men are inclined to grant women the credit of having any business tact or of doing business in a business way; but they must come down in the case of the Detroit widow whose personal effects are now being overhauled by an administrator.

"Offer of marriage from Mr. —, Respectfully declined on the ground of his stooping shoulders and defective vision. Contents private."

"Schedule B, showing that I have just enough to bury me."

"Number 'G.'—Conditional offer of marriage from Mr. S. declined with thanks."

"Paid this after a sharp dispute in the presence of Sarah, who hurt her nose same day. Mr. L. was in the parlor at the time. Proposed before he left; gently but firmly declined offer on account of his deafness."

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CANNON REBUZZED.

There was once a big yellow dog, who whurriedly ran after a hog. He was lost in a fog. Which was thick as a hog. And has stood still since, all ago.

1879 began on Wednesday, and it ended on the same day.

Advice to Consumptives.—The celebrated physician, Dr. Paul Meyer, gives the following valuable suggestions to persons suffering from lung affections. The patient must with scrupulous conscientiousness insist upon breathing fresh, pure air, and must remember that the air of closed rooms is always more or less bad.

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