The season is now at hand for commeneing garden operations, and the first in order is that of pruning. Most shrubs only require to be thinned of irregular, straggling branches, or of the suckers which spring up from the roots. Such shrubs as bear flowers on the last years' growth should be pruned back but very little, as otherwise they could produce but few flowers. Of this class are lilacs, syringas, spirmas, viburnums, ealycanthus, hydrangeas, deutzias, magnolias, rhododendrons and azaleas. Shrubs such as the althea and roses, which bear flowers on wood of this season's growth, should have last year's growth well cut back, say to within three or four inches of the old wood. Roses should have the short wood of last year's growth cut back to two cr three buds, and the long shoots shortened from one-third to one-half their length; all wood of over two years' growth should be entirely cut out, as it never produces fine blooms. Honeysuckles are generally allowed to become too crowded in their growth; they will bear a good deal of thinning out, and last year's growth should be praned back to within an inch or two of the main stems. If they have from neglect become naked at the bottom, and only flowering at the top of the trellis, onehalf of the main stems should be cut back to within a foot of the ground; this will cause a new growth of young shoots to fill up the vacancy. Wistarias dug at one-third or one-half the spread should have last year's growth shortenel back so as to leave only four to six in older ones. If the soil is naturally rate the completed machine would inches of it, unless they are new running stems and it is desirable to retain them!: t ey may, however, be shortened back one-third their length. Ampelopsis (Virginia creeper), bignonia (trumpet creeper), and aristolochia (Dutchman's pipe) only require the cutting back of the swinging foreright shoots, so as to give them a neat, tidy appearance. Akebia and clematis scarcely require any pruning, all that is needed being to cut out any interfering growth that cannot be laid in on the trellis without overcrowding.

In pruning fruit trees reference must

of course be had to the kinds, their mode of growth and of bearing. Many people think that all the interior branches must be ent out, to give, as they suppose, plenty of light and air to the center of the tree. This is nearly always carried to an extreme, and the consequence is that the weight of the foliage and fruit is thrown upon the outer ends of the branches, so that in high winds or rain-storms they are broken off at the trunk, to the eventual destruction of the tree. Large branches should never be cut off if it can possibly be avoided; when it is absolutely necessary to do so, they should be cut off close to the trunk, without leaving any snags, and the wound should be covered with graftingwax or some similar composition to keep out the weather. Apple, pear, cherry and plum trees bear fruit on spurs, and care must be had not to cut them off: are not yet formed should only be short. dish. ened back about one-third of its length, as a rule, for, if shortened more than be expended in producing new shoots instead of spurs. Quince trees produce fruit is carried; the fruit-bearing shoots k to only two or three eyes, in year's fruiting. Pruning peach trees be dished up; thus the grains appear should be delayed until the buds begin separate and not mashed together. to swell, as then the fruit buds can be distinguished from the leaf buds. Very little pruning is required by peach trees beyond shortening the previous year's g owth and cutting out any dead wood. it is especially desirable to keep them compact in shape, as the weight of the fruit on the ends of long branches causes them to split off or break. Every care must be had to so prune them as to keep the interior of the tree supplied with young bearing wood, and this is done by shortening back the shoots sufficiently to cause the buds at the base of the shoot to break and form new shoots; shortening back about one half will be sufficient ...

There are two systems employed in pruning the grapevine; one is called the spur system, and the other the long cane system. In the first the leading cane is cut back to three or four feet. according to its strength; the terminal bud continues the length of the cane, and should not be allowed to bear fruit; the buds below will throw out lateral shoots which will produce fruit; these are pruned back the next season to two or three eyes, which again produce fruit, the leader being shortened back as before, and so year after year. In the long cane system the canes are pro duced by pruning back to within two eyes of the main stem, and when they have made a year's growth, leaving the strongest cane to bear fruit, but shortening it back to three or four feet, and letting the weakest cane make a season's growth, and then pruning it back to three or four feet the succeeding year, and cutting back the fruit-bearing cane to one eye to produce another caue, and so alternately. The spur system produces the most fruit, the long cane system the largest bunches.

The current and the gooseberry mainly produce their fruit on wood that is two or three years old. After a branch has produced two or three crops of fruit it should be cut out and a younger one be allowed to take its place. All the pruning they require is to cut out old wood, shorten the younger shoots, and remove any suckers and roots that are likely to make too crowded a head, as from across the street. Under the earth they should be so pruned and trained as to give them plenty of air and light, Raspberries only require the removal of | bakers, stripped to the waist and reekthe shoots that bore fruit last season, and the shortening back of the last shoots. Blackberries require the same

treatment. All pruning should be done with a pruning-knife or with pruning-shears, but never with hedge shears; every branch or shoot should be individually will often do more injury in an hour at peaceful melancholy of the night.

FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD, such operations than can be remedied in A Machine for Moving Grain as if it a year; because they can handle a shovel or a hoe, it does not follow that they are gardeners, and we therefore advise such of our readers as are fond of their gardens to supervise such work themselves, unless they can get the

services of a regularly-bred gardener, Besides pruning the head or top of a tree, pruning the roots is sometimes practiced to induce fruitfulness in trees that are either in too rich a soil or in a soil that is very poor. When planted in too rich a soil, fruit trees are apt to make too strong a growth and run too much to wood. Pruning the tops or heads of the trees in such cases does not make them fruitful, but has a tendency to aggravate the trouble by causing the tree to throw out large numbers of new shoots in directions where they are not about eighteen inches or two feet wide to the age and size of the tree, should be dug out half way round the tree, the roots should be carefully pruned with a with fresh soil, but of poor quality, rotted sods or the surface soil of an old meadow being excellent for this purpose; this new soil must be firmly trod den down as it is thrown in. The next season the same operation must be performed on the other half of the circle. The distance of the trench from the trunk of the tree must be governed by the spread of the branches and the age common envelope box to represent the of the tree; generally the trench may be car or vessel, and the grain was sucked experienced a marked improvement, of the tree-in young trees nearer than ing. poor and cannot be readily enriched in any other way, this operation will also be of great service, only filling up the elevation of about five feet, and some trench with rich soil, or that more suitable to the tree than that in which it is the crude air pump reasoned that it all without an exception, are loud in it planted. By these means the growth of would be possible to raise grain only praise. To say that I feel thankful is planted. By these means the growth of a tree may be readily controlled, and about thirty-two feet, or as high as the far less pruning of the top be required. The pruning knife and shears will never produce fruitfulness unless the roots, which promote the growth of the top, are also under control. - Harper's Bazar.

Recipes.

COFFEE CARE .- One cup of brown sugar, one cup of butter, one cup of strained coffee, one cup of molasses, three eggs, well beaten, one pound of rasins, two cups of flour, two teaspoonfuls baking powder. Eat hot, for luncheon, accompanied with iced milk.

SPANISH PICKLED ONIONS. - Cut onions into slices, put a layer of them into a jar, sprinkle with cavenue pepper and salt, then add another layer of onions and proceed as before. Proceed in this way until the jar is full, and pour cold vinegar over all till covered. They will be fit to use in a month.

RUSSIAN SALAD. - Cut up raw apples, and every kind of available vegetables into small slices, and lay them in a shallow dish, with salt, a little vinegar and pepper, and the best oil. The dressing must thoroughly saturate the mixture for twelve hours, and then this the young growth upon which the spurs salad will be not only a new but a good

To Boil Rice as in India.-Into a saucepan of two quarts of water, when that, the whole energy of the tree will boiling, throw a tablespoonful of salt; then throw in one pint of rice, after it has been well washed in cold water; let their fruit on spurs which throw out it boil twenty minutes. Throw it out long shoots, on the ends of which the into a cullender, and drain off the water. When this has been done, put the rice in thin oatmeal, or Liebeg's extract of of the previous year should be short. back into the can or saucepan, dried by the fire, and let it stand near the fire order to produce new shoots for next for some minutes, or until required to

SHIN OF BEEF SOUP .- Break a shin of beef into three or four pieces; first put little butter in the pot, and then the shin; let fry a minute or so, and then pour on it four gallous of cold water. Let it boil slowly for five hours. When the soup is done, let it be boiled to one and a-half gallons. Let the shin boil or two hours, adding only one tea-spoon of salt. Then add four good sized turuips ent up, two carrots grated, and four Irish potatoes previously boiled; cut up very fine one-half of a cabbage; as the scop boils remove the scum. Season with a little red pepper. When the sonp is cone strain off the meat and vegetables and serve. This will make enough soup for two days,

Morning and Night in Paris.

The Paris correspondent of the Chicago Tribune made the following ot servations of the French metropolis at five o'clock in the morning: Further on a group of ragpickers cluster round a colonne des spectacles. There are five or six of them, men aud women. The women wear frowsy gowns, and their heads are wrapped in bandages that once were handkerchiefs. In their hands are the brooms with which they have been sweeping the gutters. Each man bends under the weight of a huge basket, stuffed full of rags and refusepaper, crusts of bread, bottles-the

night's harvest. Presently, however, these unfortunates move off to their wretched habitations, Quartier-Mouffetard-wards. The brightening sky is flushed with yellow and crimson; in a few moments the business of the day will begin. How lovely the city looks at this fresh morning hour! A thin, pure mist still hangs upon the street, waiting for the full radience of the sunshine to dissolve it. This is the time of all times for seeing Paris. Fleeting as the glory of the dawn, it vanishes almost ere you can note its beauty. Now the sun is fairly above the horizon. The city is awake, Hark! A dull sound comes to you st your feet the bakers are hard at work. Ugh! Not a pleasant sight these

ing with the effort of production. The following was what he heard and year's growth one-half to one-third its saw at midnight: Still the shouting and length, according to the strength of the singing. If anything there is more of it than ever-especially at the Jeunesse. But the quieter portion of the street has retired to rest. Half an hour later : The cafes are closed. The revelers disperse in different directions; some move homeward, others disappear in search of examined and pruned according to its milk; and the Rue de Medicis is left to strength, growth, or position. The a few belated stragglers, the sergeants-operation should never be intrusted to de-ville and the ragpickers. Darkness any but an intelligent person, or at least broods again over the gardens and the under the immediate supervision of palace, and nothing but the distant such a one. Ignorant, stupid laborers bawling of the students disturb the

were Water.

The Toledo (Ohio) Blade says: One of the most remarkable inventions of the times is now being perfected and experimented upon by Affred Wilkin, of this city. For several months Mr. Wilkin has been trying to study out some more speedy and economical method of elevating grain in bulk than any now in use. The results, as already shown by his yet imperfect model, are astonishing, and promise to work almost a revolution in the grain-carrying trade. The principle made use of in this curious little machine is simply that of atmospheric pressure, or the exhaust process which has lately been applied with such wonderful success in the great Westinghouse atmospheric brakes. The model wanted. To counteract this a trench | which Mr. Wilkin has used so far is a small air pump, rather rudely constructand of corresponding depth, according ed, yet answering for all practical purposes at present. Connected with the pump is a one-inch tin pipe, siphon shaped, and at the elbow, or top (some sharp knife, and the trench filled up three feet above the pump) is a cylinder somewhat larger than the pipe and connecting both parts of it. Inside of this is a smaller perforated cylinder, while at the lower end of it is a valve through which the grain drops out. The other arm of the siphon is extended down into the grain pile.

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Substitutes for Alcoho!.

The Medical Record says: We find that the efforts of temperance reformers are turned much more than formerly toward introducing some substitute for alcohol. Failing in the direct attack they are attempting a flank movement. There is now manufactured to meet in part these demands a series of aerated waters which equal many wines in delieacy of flavor. Ales and beers with an inappreciable amount of alcohol, and wines from unfermented grapes are also made and form agreeable drinks, which may, to some extent, satisfy the demands of social occasions. For the weariness that follows muscular or mental exertion, the best things are food and rest. If drinks are craved, however, we have meat, foods which enter the circulation so rapidly that their effect is compara ble to that of alcohol. These, it is suggested, may be aerated and made endurable by various additions. Tea, and especially coffee, are also available and useful in these cases. For the reform. ing drunkard bitter infusions may be of service in addition to the drinks already mentioned. It seems possible that some advance may be made by temperance reformers through efforts in this direction; and since, as a rule, man is better without alcohol, they have the help of the medical profession.

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