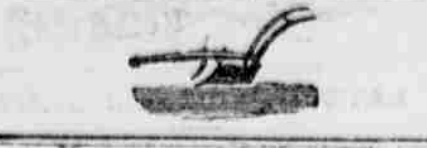


# AGRICULTURAL.



## Field Beans—Culture and Variety.

There are three varieties of white field beans known to farmers and in the market. They go by different names in different localities. Burr designates them as the Blue Pod, Pea bean, and White Marrow. In New York market they are called Medium, Caxton, and Marrowfat. The Blue Pod is the common "white bean" of New England and New York, and the Medium of Washington market. It is the earliest of the field beans, and particularly useful in filling out when corn and other crops have failed. The Pea, or Little White bean, is richer smaller, more roundish, not quite so early, but producing equally good crops. Its small size is against it in market, though its beautiful white color is in its favor. In an indiscriminating market as that of New York, it sells lower than the first mentioned kind. The White Marrow, Marrowfat, White Egg, etc., is considerably larger than either of the foregoing. Burr makes the following statement in regard to the comparative size of these three sorts: of the Pea bean, 4300, of the Blue Pod, 2700, and of the White Marrow, 1200 will fill a quart. The Marrow is not quite so early a crop in wet seasons, owing to its tendency to run; so that on a good soil too highly manured, or too rich in ammoniacal matter or vegetable mould, the plants make too much top and bear too little fruit. The soil best adapted to beans is a good loam or gravelly soil, which contains a considerable portion of soluble mineral ingredients, but not much vegetable and nitrogenous matter. The tith should be good, not necessarily deep, and freedom from weeds is desirable. Unless there is danger of the crop running to vines, plant in hills two feet apart, and scatter the seed in the drill. The practice of planting in hills two feet apart each way, is good especially for the Marrowfat. The planting should not be delayed after June 20th as a general thing, and then only the Blue Pod or common white field bean should be used. The cultivation consists in keeping down the weeds and stirring the soil. This should so far as practicable, be done by horse labor. When the plants turn yellow and the pods begin to dry, they are pulled up by the roots and stacked between stakes four to six feet high, driven six to eight inches apart; pieces of wood or a few stones to keep the bottom plants from the ground. Here they are allowed to dry thoroughly, and many of the unripe pods mature and dry quite well. The threshing is done either in the field or on the barn floor, and if well dried the crop will be fit for market at once, or may be kept for almost any length of time in dry bins.

## Feeding Calves.

A friend of ours, who has great success in raising calves on skimmed milk and "corn pudding," adopts the following method:— He never lets the calf suck the cow, but teaches it to drink out of a pail. When the calf is three or four days old, he takes a teacupful of corn-meal and pours a pint of water over it, stirs it up, and lets it stand for a few minutes. He then pours on three or four quarts of skimmed milk, or as much as the calf can drink. In the meantime he has a piece of iron heating, which when red hot, he stirs in the milk. This "scorching the milk" he considers of the greatest importance when calves are fed on skimmed milk—it prevents it from scouring the calves. As the calf grows older he increases the quantity of corn meal. When three weeks old, he gives a pint, at least, at each meal. The milk at first is only twelve hours from milking, but as the calf grows older, the milk may be allowed to stand 24 or 36 hours before skimming.—*Genesee Farmer.*

## How to get a Good Crop of Potatoes.

A correspondent informs us that Capt. S. Hayden, of Hollis, adopts the following plan in planting potatoes, and has first rate luck.—On ground plowed in the spring he furrows as deep as he can without turning up the turf. He prepares his manure by putting in the green manure some loam, and cuts and brins of salt not very strong. He cuts his potatoes so that one as large as a hen's egg would be divided into three or four pieces, and puts three pieces in a hill, the skin side up, in a triangle of about five or six inches apart. He then puts a shovelful of manure on the top of the potatoes. The result is that his potatoes yield at the rate of from eight to ten hills to the bushel of good market potatoes. He told me he took good sized potatoes to plant. The potatoes he raised were large enough—would average as large as turkey's eggs.—*New England Farmer.*

## LARGE GARDENS—Farmers—speaking in general sense—should enlarge their gardens. If they would reflect a moment, they would find out that there is no part of their premises half so profitable as the garden, or as contributing half so much to the comfort and health of the family. Instead, as many do, of having but a dish or two of peas, green beans, beets, sugar corn, radishes, &c., as the product of a single planting, they should put in a succession of crops, so that, through the whole season they can enjoy these desirable necessities of life—Try to—enlarge your gardens—devote a day or two extra to your garden now and then—and not depend entirely upon the females of the family, who usually have hard time duties to perform during the growing season—and having once tried it, no good husband or father would ever again show any shortcomings in this respect. Wives and daughters would often find that a little coaxing would do a great deal in behalf of carrying out their wishes. A garden, suitable size, is of more actual profit to the farmer, than any other part of the premises. We earnestly desire to see more attention given to the family than, we regret to say, is too customary.—*Genesee Telegraph.*

# Great Central Fair,

## FOR THE SANITARY COMMISSION.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION ON LABOR, INCOME AND REVENUE, ROOM 118 SOUTH SEVENTH STREET, PHILADELPHIA, APRIL 15, 1862.

The Commission on Labor, Income and Revenue, in cooperation with the Sanitary Commission, for the relief of the sick and wounded soldiers of the Army, have the honor to announce that the Great Central Fair, for the benefit of the Sanitary Commission, will be held at the Academy of Music, Philadelphia, on Wednesday, April 24th, 1862, at 7 o'clock P.M.

The success of the plan will depend upon the hearty cooperation of every citizen of influence within our limits, and we are of the opinion that a single day's labor from all classes in the community, many will contribute to the relief of our sick and wounded soldiers, and that the fair will be a success beyond all previous attempts of the kind.

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**JOHN W. CLAGHORN, Treasurer.**

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