

The Farmer's Department,
Gathering Apples.

Mr. George J. Colby, of Jonesville Vermont, communicates the following excellent advice relative to gathering and keeping apples, which we commend to the readers of the Telegraph:

The season for gathering apples is approaching, and what I wish to say to farmers, upon that subject is, to pick your apples; if they are worth gathering at all, they are worth picking. There are many kinds of apples that ought to be handled just as carefully as you would handle eggs, for what would break an egg, would bruise them, and when they are bruised they are spoiled for long keeping.

But I suppose there are many who think it is more than apples are worth to pick them; if so, it is because they do not know how to do it, and for the benefit of such I will give something of my plan for gathering apples.

I have light ladders of different lengths; the one most used is about 18 or 20 feet long; another 8 or 10 feet long; and another which is very convenient in many places, is a double ladder or two ladders kept together at the top by letting the top round on a wire for both, then leave the lower one, so they will shut up together and be just as handy to carry as a swing ladder, and when you set it up, spread the lower ends apart so it will stand alone. They can be made of any length, but about 10 feet is most convenient. They should be made of light material; the side may be nothing more than narrow strips of boards. The lower ends of the ladder should be about 3 feet wide to prevent turning over; the top may be as narrow as you desire it.

To pick the apples, you want a half bushel basket with a hook attached, so that it may be hung upon a limb or ladder round, while being filled. The barrels should be placed as wanted at each tree, and when the barrel is filled, do not pour them from the top of the barrel as you would a basket of potatoes, but lower the basket into the barrel, and then turn it over carefully. You may think this is a slow way to gather apples, but it will pay much better than to shake them off. One man will pick in this way from 10 to 15 barrels in a day.

When the barrels are filled, they should not be headed up tight, as I have often seen recommended—for there is nothing that will spoil an apple quicker than shutting it up in a close place without air.

The best way is to leave the barrel open, but if necessary to head them up, there should be holes in the sides of the barrels, so they may have a free circulation of air, for without it they very soon lose their taste, and become worthless, if not rotten.

They should be stored in open sheds, or other airy places, until there is danger of their freezing, when they may be taken to the cellar, which should be kept cool and airy.

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