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### POTATO DIGGING.

The Relation of Its Date to Potato Rot—Killing Story Told.

By Messrs. MORSE and JONES, Vermont Experiment Station. "How soon after the tops begin to die from the late blight should the potatoes be dug?" This question is of much practical importance, and we undertook in 1902 to secure an answer. Although the results obtained in those trials appeared definite and justified a tentative deduction, it was felt that conditions might so vary from year to year that further trials were needed. Accordingly on Aug. 31, 1903, twenty rows of potatoes, forty-five feet long, were staked off on a field. These were on rather low ground in slightly moist and somewhat sandy soil. The late blight was abundant over the entire field, although it had mostly developed within the preceding week. On the plot selected one-third to one-half of the foliage had been killed during this week by late blight.

Four rows were dug on each of five different dates at intervals of one week in such a manner as to give each time as near as possible an average of the plot. The following record shows the date of digging of each row and the condition of the tops at the time:

Aug. 31—Rows 1, 6, 11, 16, foliage from one-third to one-half killed with late blight.  
Sept. 7—Rows 2, 7, 12, 17, leaves all dead, but stalks green.  
Sept. 14—Rows 3, 8, 13, 18, stalks practically all dead.  
Sept. 21—Rows 4, 9, 14, 19, tops dead.  
Sept. 28—Rows 5, 10, 15, 20, tops dead.

Each lot was stored within a few hours after digging in a cool house cellar where the temperature was uniformly 55 to 60 degree F. The tubers were placed in bushel boxes and stacked up so as to allow free ventilation. The conditions of storage were better, and probably much better, than those in the average farm cellar.

Late Digging Proves Best. Regardless of the per cent of decay during any one period the most important question to be considered is which procedure will give the largest amount of sound tubers in the end. It will be seen that there is very little difference in the results from those dug Sept. 14, 21 and 28, while the digging of Sept. 7 gave about eight-ninths as much and that of Aug. 31 less than one-half that obtained from the three later dates. The death of a large per cent of the foliage occurred between Aug. 31 and Sept. 7, and the entire tops were dead on Sept. 14. Hence the data obtained appear to confirm the rule laid down in the former report "that where there is danger of rot it is best to delay the digging some ten days or more after the tops die and that a longer delay does no harm."

No Value in Sprinkling With Lime. Many farmers recommend sprinkling potatoes with air slaked lime when placed in the cellar. This treatment, it is claimed, reduces the amount of decay in stored tubers. So far as can be judged from the results of a single experiment, there is no benefit to be gained by liming, there being but 2 per cent of difference and that in favor of the untreated tubers.

Harvesting the Sugar Beet. The time of sugar beet harvest is usually indicated by the agriculturists of the sugar factory for which the beets are destined, and notice is given to the grower to deliver his beets to the factory. An expert in sugar beet growing can readily discern when beets are ripe. The leaves droop and take on a yellow cast. The sooner they are harvested after this the better, as they have reached their maximum of sugar content and purity. Warm fall rains are likely to start a new growth of the beets, causing them to send out a fresh supply of rootlets. This has a tendency to lower the purity and sugar content of the beets. If it is apparent that the crop cannot be received at the factory at some time in the near future, the beets should be harvested and stored. The contract usually provides for following the orders of the factory in this respect, and this is the safest course.—C. F. Snyder.

Forests and Stream Flow. In considering the relation of forests to stream flow James W. Tourney expresses the opinion that, although the forest may have, on the whole, but little appreciable effect in increasing the rainfall and the annual run-off, its economic importance in regulating the flow of streams is beyond computation. The great indirect value of the forest is the effect which it has in preventing wind and water erosion, thus allowing the soil on hills and mountains to remain where it is formed and in other ways providing an adequate absorbing medium at the sources of the water courses of the country. It is the amount of water that passes into the soil, not the amount of rainfall, that makes a region garden or desert.

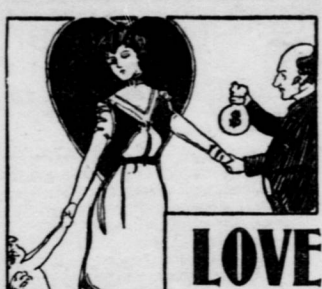
The Essential in Grass Growing. Harrowing is one great essential in preparing a seed bed for the tiny grass and clover seed. The writer does not remember ever seeing timothy or clover sowing up on clover half the size of his fist making much progress toward a hay crop. Harrow and reharrow until the soil is like dust. Then and then only the seed bed is fit to yield a profitable crop.—J. D. Detrich.

Dutch Cattle in Belgium. A great many Dutch cattle are imported into Belgium, as a number of farmers find it advantageous to buy certain classes of these Dutch animals rather than to breed those at home. Belgian farmers have given up breeding the Shorthorn race for twenty years past.

THE COOKBOOK. Trimmings of puff paste left from tarts should be used to ornament the tarts with. To tell when cake is done hold your ear down to it and listen. If it has ceased sounding it is done. In order to have potatoes always white the kettle in which they are cooked should never be used for any other purpose. With all frozen dairies a generous allowance of sugar is necessary, as the article to be frozen loses sweetness in the freezing.

Swans For Food. In this country swans are but little seen, except in public parks, but they are coming into increasing favor on private estates, as they give the finishing touch to an ornamental sheet of water. In England swans have been raised ever since the time of Richard the Lion Hearted for eating purposes. The largest swanery was maintained by Lord Holesher in Dorset, where from seven to twelve hundred birds were kept. In the early days all swans were raised at one place and brands issued to members of the nobility.—Country Life in America.

Lawyers and Newspapers. It has been the joke of ages, and in the joke today, that lawyers and the newspaper men of the day are doing as much, at least, as people in other professions or trades in searching for facts and in making them public, and in so doing they are doing their part toward uprooting error and toward purifying the moral atmosphere.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.



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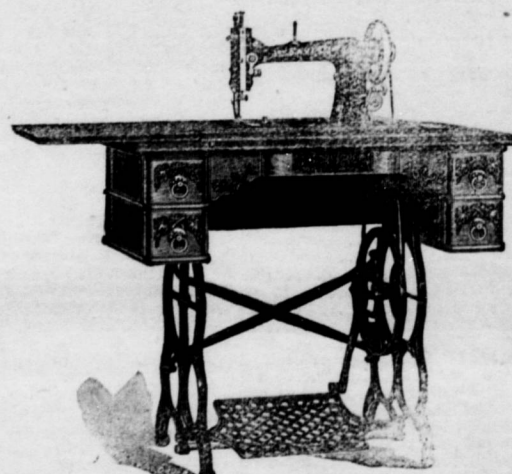
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