

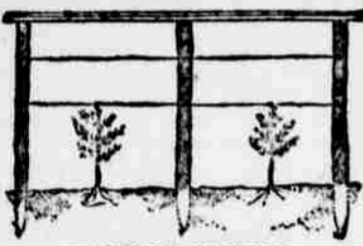
HORTICULTURE

THERE'S MONEY IN IT.

Tomato Growing Can Be Made the Most Profitable Part of the Gardener's Occupation.

Tomato growing is one of the most profitable lines for the gardener and truck farmer. The yield under ordinary circumstances ranges from 250 to 500 bushels per acre. The surplus can be used for canning, making catsup and wine, and the refuse may be profitably fed to poultry.

There are many varieties, but the best I have ever planted are the Stone and Canada Victor. The plants may be grown in hotbeds, cold frames or out



A TOMATO TRELLIS.

of doors. For general crop I prefer to burn a brush heap where my plant bed is to be, then dig up with a mattock, working in all the ashes while warm, and sowing the seed in early spring. The bed is well raked, thoroughly firmed and covered with brush. This makes an ideal bed where the plants grow stocky and form good roots. Transplanting is best done with a dibble, putting the plants on the west side of the furrows running north and south. If young plants are watered too much they will not grow thrifty and are more liable to blight. When the plants get about one foot high they should be trellised by driving stakes near each hill or putting them eight to 15 feet apart and tying with binding twine.—American Agriculturist.

ARE GOOD MEDICINES.

Many Vegetables and Fruits Are More Efficacious Remedies Than Drugstore Compounds.

We take the following from an address delivered by L. H. Calloway before the Illinois Horticultural society, as published in the National Rural. We can vouch for many of these vegetable remedies as being quite as efficacious and much more pleasant to take than the prescription often given by physicians, and some day we may add others to the list here given: "Honey is wholesome, strengthening, purifying, healing and nourishing. I have reference to the kind made by bees—not the glucose kind. Persons suffering from rheumatism, nervous diseases and nervous dyspepsia should eat celery and turnips. Onions are almost the best nerve known, and will quickly relieve and tone up a worn-out system and are beneficial in cases of coughs, colds, influenza, scurvy and liver complaints. Lettuce eaten by those who suffer from insomnia is beneficial. Let those who need iron for a tonic eat spinach, and let the drug (iron) alone. Persons suffering from gravel should eat onions and spinach. Carrots should be eaten by those who have asthma. Let those who need increased perspiration to relieve overworked kidneys and lungs eat asparagus. Cranberries are proper diet for those suffering from erysipelas. They should also be applied externally. Lemons satisfy and cool the thirst in fever. Blackberries are a tonic. Blackberry cordial is the proper remedy for diarrhea. Persons who are bilious, who have indigestion and dyspepsia, conditions for which calomel is usually prescribed, should let the calomel alone and eat freely of ripe tomatoes. Let those who have rheumatism and need an aperient eat pie-plant. The apple, excellent for fruits in phosphoric acid, is an excellent brain food. It is aperient and diuretic, and hence obviates indigestion and dyspepsia and assists kidney secretion and prevents gravel. It cleans the mouth. Let persons who use drugs classed as aperients and laxatives and cathartics stop their use and eat freely of apples, figs, bananas, pie-plant, tomatoes, onions, strawberries, raspberries and blackberries.

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(13) "The peacemakers." If God is love, then He desires peace among His children. Now natural that the peacemakers should be called the children of God.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson in the International Series for April 1, 1900.—The Beatitudes.

[Prepared by H. C. Lenington.]

THE LESSON TEXT. (Matthew 5:1-11.)

23. And there followed Him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decapolis, and from Jerusalem, and from Judea, and from beyond Jordan.

1. And seeing the multitude, He went up into a mountain; and when He was set, His disciples came unto Him;

2. And He opened His mouth, and taught them, saying:

3. Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

4. Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted.

5. Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth.

6. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled.

7. Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy.

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9. Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the children of God.

10. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake; for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

11. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

12. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in Heaven; for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God.—Matt. 5:8.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A parallel to the lesson is found in Luke 6:12-26. In studying the lesson note:

(a) The Night in Prayer.—Luke 6:12.

(b) Choosing the Twelve.—Luke 6:13-16.

(c) The Word "Blessed."—Matt. 5:1-11.

(d) The Beatitudes Taken Sing.—Matt. 5:1-11.

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A Night in Prayer.—From Luke we learn that Jesus spent the whole night, preceding the choosing of the 12 apostles and the utterance of His great sermon, in prayer.

The Word "Blessed."—This word is nine times repeated in nine consecutive verses. In paraphrasing the text the word "happy" has often been used. But "blessed" is more than "happy." The term is more nearly expressed if we speak of the "blessed" as those who enjoy the favor of God.

The Beatitudes.—Of whom does Jesus speak as enjoying the favor of God? (1) "The poor in spirit." Those who realize their unworthiness before God, and who are conscious of sin and spiritual incompleteness. "Theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven." Because only to those who deeply feel their need of the highest things can the highest things bring satisfaction. It implies Heaven here and now, for a Christian character is a Heaven on earth.

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"Bobby is attending to his piano-forte lessons very faithfully of late," said the youth's uncle.

"Yes," replied his mother. "I don't have any trouble with him about that now."

"How did you manage it?"

"Some of the neighbors complained of the noise his exercises made, and I told him about it. Now he thinks it's fun to practice."—Tit-Bits.

True to Himself.

"Do you intend to spend the balance of the century in this same idle, shiftless way, my friend?" asked the philanthropist, who had given him a meager handful of gold victuals.

"I don't like that word 'balance,'" answered Tufford Knutt, looking at him with a coldly critical eye. "Rest" is a blameworthy better word."—Chicago Tribune.

Not for Him.

"Are you an advocate of spelling reform?"

"No, by Jinks! I'm taking a dictionary that costs three dollars a number, and I've got 24 numbers of it bound and paid for."—Chicago Times-Herald.

A Woman's Discovery.

Isabelle—I used to sacrifice myself for other people.

Bellinda—Don't you do it now?

Isabelle—No. I've quit it; people seem to like me just as well, and I know I'm more amiable and better looking.—Detroit Free Press.

Quantity Not Quality.

"Why, you stiff!" cried the first healer, "when it comes to usefulness to the party I'm worth two of you!"

"Oh! I don't know," replied the other, "I can vote just as often as you, M. necessary."—Philadelphia Press.

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Very Ably Defended.

"Do you think your sister likes me, Freddie?"

"Yes. She stood up for you at dinner."

"Stood up for me! Was anybody saying anything against me?"

"No; nothing much. Father said he thought you were rather a donkey, but as he got up and said you weren't, and told father he ought to know better than judge a man by his looks."—Tit-Bits.

Parental Diplomacy.

"But what are your objections to the young man?" asked the mother.

"None," answered the other half of the management of the young woman.

"Then why do you refuse his request for Ethel's hand?"

"Only for the dear child's good. If he have any spirit at all he will go ahead and marry her anyhow, and if he don't she is well rid of him."—Indianapolis Press.

Two Vows.

I've made but two great vows in all my life.

First, at the altar, when I took a wife;

The second, when death eased our mutual pain.

That I would never do the like again.

—Judge.

DRAWING QUALITIES.

Mr. Uglymugg—Do you know, Miss Slopper, I used to draw pretty well myself when I was a boy.

Miss Slopper—You'd draw pretty well now, in a museum.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Food Transactions.

"Joslar," said Mrs. Cornstossel, "I'm sure you can't find no fault with Josh since we've been to town."

"I can't! He didn't get home till four o'clock this mornin'."

"I noticed it. You know, you told him you wanted him to be sure an' be out of bed every morning before five o'clock."

"Yes."

"Well, the poor boy's so skereed at you that he's been stayin' up all night, so's to be able to keep his word."—Washington Star.

Of the Same Mind.

The Artist—My dear fellow! I paint a picture in two days, and think nothing of it.

The Friend—I am of your opinion.—Brooklyn Life.

No Need to Listen.

Mr. De Loud—I have—or—called, sir, about—or—about your daughter, sir.

Will you—or—listen to my suit?

Old Gentleman—Huh! I could hear that suit a block off!—N. Y. Weekly.

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