The Coloomficlo Tinmes. HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.


Cultivating Orchards.
We have seen two orchards in westarn New York, standing within half
mile of each other, whith very nearly corresponded with, the following deseriptlon of two orechards at south Haven, Miehignn, given by Prof. Beeal. One of these orcharid be pronounces as bearing the best crop the past senson which he
had seen In the Etate. The ground has a perfect natural drainage, but has not a strong soil, hence the necesesity of the triennial and cultivation given it. With this trentment, the annual shoots are not over a foot long. The owner ruises
fine frutt, and makes 1 ta rule to send to Ane frult, and makes lt a rule to gend to
market only the very finest in quality It ss no wonder then that he cannot fili all the orders he reeelves. His neightor net his orchard the same year (17 yeary ngo) and aliows his trees to stand in grass. He had no fruit of any value the past senson. The two orchards are
sepurated only by a line tence. The last separated only by a ime tence. The las
mentioned trees are mosy, with yellow leaves, and cut by the borer, and make ifttle growth. A specimen tree in this orchard mensured fourteen feet through the top, that is the limbs were seven feet long with seventeen years growth:
the tops of the trees in the good orchard were twenty.two feet through. - Corntr) Venticmar.
The Calla Lily as a House Plant.
The calla lily, roots of which may be procured or any forist,
inest plants on or or thousegrowing when properly treated. The beat method we have tried is to procure an earthen jar suitably decorated on the outside if de-
sired, by painting or pasting on of frieze of flower-pictures, or by a paper open-
work covering. In this place rich mold ome five or six inches deep, and in this et the calla plant. Now pat on the to of this mold a l lyyer of clean, coarso
and, about two inches deep, and on top of this some small pebbles. Than fill ated, so ns to always have the water everal inches deep, above the pelbiess.
Place in a warm and sunny window. and the plant will throw up large magnificent hloom. What is still better the flower-stalks will be sent up in uccession, so as to afford a nearly connows introduced into the water will
usually thrive without further care, and afforid a pleasing study.

## Adapt your Shoes to your Feet.

 Ahy it should be desirable to have nd weak brain is not easy to conceive For the purpose of having such small feet, not a few wear boots one or twosize too small, and about two-thirds of hie width of the foot as it would be at the hain If allowed to spread as it does of the boot. As a natural and neeessary result of such pinching confinement, the foot becomes deformed and larger than it would naturally grow, with enharged joints, and toes turned from ne parallel with the foot to say nothing and crippling to a large elass of young women. The worst results of this crippling custom of wearing small and narrow boots is felt by children when allowed to outgrow their boots. It is poor economy to allow the young to ear boots when whe seet have become he feet fo fasily produced at this time When the boot is too short for the wearer, and the heel is too high, the ingrowing of the nails is a perfectly ingrowing of
natural resonlt.

## Feed Well.

If a merchant were to set up half a keep a litte fire in each and all of them while burning only fuel enough to keep up two good fires, every one would unhesitatingly pronounce it remarkably Scolish. The farmer, in attempting to feed, so doing the same thing. The cow s really a machine for making hay and meal into milk and diesh. Just as the tove revelves the wood and imparts heat, the cow receives food and returns milk and beef. And as the stove can cow can give no return without food. Ifa man had only two cords, there would be no propriety in his obtalning three stove and attempting to keep a fire in each of hent all winter with such an insignifcant quantity of wood. The same priuciple applies to keeping cattie. If a man
has only hay enough to keep six animals well, it is estremely foolith for him to try to keep eight.


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