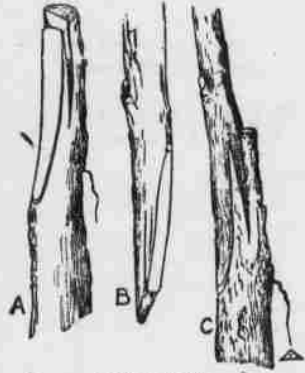


FRUIT FLOWERS

ROOT GRAFTING.

Work to Be Done Indoors During Winter Leisure.

Root grafting, especially of fruit stocks, is performed almost entirely by the whip graft. The operation is performed in winter. The stocks, small plants one or two years old, are dug and stored in the fall. In January or February the grafting is begun. In true root grafting only pieces of root



WHIP GRAFTING.

(A, the stock; B, the scion; C, stock and scion united.)

are used, but some persons prefer to use the whole root and graft at the crown. In piece root grafting from two to four trees are made from a single root. A piece of root from two to four inches long is used. The grafts are packed away in sand, moss or sawdust in a cool cellar until spring, when the two parts will be firmly calloused together. If the storage cellar is cool—not above 40 degrees—they will knit together so that they can be planted without danger of breaking apart. If the cellar is warm the grafts will start into growth and be lost.

Scions are cut in fall or winter or any time before the buds swell in spring. Only the previous year's growth is used in all ordinary cases. The scions are stored in sand, moss or sawdust in a cool cellar, or they may be buried in a sandy place. It is a common opinion that scions are worthless if cut during freezing. Bailey, who is authority for the foregoing information about this kind of grafting, says this opinion is unfounded.

A brief description and illustration of the process are here presented:

To make a whip graft cut the stock off diagonally—one long, smooth cut with a sharp knife, as shown in Fig. A. Place the knife a short distance from the end of the cut surface at right angles to the cut, and split the stock in the direction of its long axis. Cut the lower end of the scion (B) in like manner, and when the two parts are forced together (C) the cut surfaces will fit neatly, and one will nearly cover the other if the scion and stock are of the same size. The parts are usually held together by winding with waxed string or waxed cloth bands, but some propagators discard all tying of root grafts.

Japanese Flower Fancies.

In Japan no man is so great or so learned as to treat with indifference the world of flowers. The higher position he holds the more he is observed to give his time and thoughts to flowers and their ways, for it is there men of rank, philosophers and priests, learned and literary men, besides ladies of the aristocracy, most profoundly study floral arrangements and are allowed to practice this art as likely to inspire gentleness, self denial, forgetfulness of care and spirituality. Indeed, a lifetime is none too long for a Japanese to devote to the subtle meanings conveyed by flowers and to store up an appreciation of their respective rank in his own and nearby lands.

The flowers that the Japanese emphatically reject from their hierarchy are the rose and the lily. These they regard as crude and unrefined expressions of nature, and indeed this thought is expressed in Japan of many other flowers ecstatically loved in Great Britain and this country.—New York Herald.

Spraying For Cottony Maple Scale.

Spraying for the cottony scales on maple trees should be done during the fall or winter, when the hyperaspis—a powerful insect enemy of the cottony scale—is hibernating at the bases of the trees. Care should be exercised in the use of the spray, and the ground around the trees should be covered with canvas or other suitable material to prevent the spray from running down the tree trunks and collecting at the base to kill the hyperaspis.—Denver Field and Farm.

Arrangement of Flowers.

Few gardeners study the art of arranging flowers in the conservatory to best advantage. Yet a group of a dozen well grown plants, their brilliant tints set off by handsome foliage and light greenery, will be more truly pleasing and decorative than a hundred pots of flowers placed, like cabbages, in straight rows, with no particular background and nothing to break their monotonous line.

Mushrooms in Hotbeds.

If any mushroom spawn is on hand keep some until the hotbeds are ready. They afford an ideal place to put it, and fine crops of mushrooms may often be gathered among other plants by the insertion of a few bricks of spawn at planting time.

Impoverished Soil

Impoverished soil, like impoverished blood, needs a proper fertilizer. A chemist by analyzing the soil can tell you what fertilizer to use for different crops.

If your blood is impoverished your doctor will tell you what you need to fertilize it and give you the rich, red corpuscles that are lacking in it. It may be you need a tonic, but more likely you need a concentrated fat food, and fat is the element lacking in your system.

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CONDENSED FOR BUSY READERS.

The North Carolina Poultry Association will hold its next State exhibit at Greensboro January 8, 9 and 10, 1907.

Mr Zeb. V. Saunders has launched the Index, a republican newspaper at Albemarle.

A telegram from San Francisco says Mrs. O. C. Byrum, sister of Mrs. S. B. Turrentine, of Greensboro, who lives in the wrecked city was not injured in the terrible catastrophe of last week.

Mr. W. L. Harbin has been awarded the contract for building a new Lutheran church at Lexington to cost \$8,000. Work began last week.

Lexington is putting in a sewerage line three miles in length.

To-day, April 26th is the 87th anniversary of Odd Fellowship. This is one of the largest fraternal orders in the world, having a membership of 1,750,000, paying over \$4,000,000 annually for the benefit of members and their families.

In Mt. Ulla township, Rowan county, last week only five votes were cast against levying a special school tax.

The Democratic Executive Committee of the 8th district will meet at Wilkesboro April 25th to name date and place for holding the congressional convention.

The High Point Steam Laundry has been sold to the Columbia Steam Laundry Company at Greensboro. The Columbia may erect a building at High Point in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hancock left several days ago for San Jose, Cal., where they will spend a year or more, Mr. Hancock having property there that he will look after. Their son, Mr. E. P. Hancock, will occupy the home place during their absence. Just after their departure for the west word came the oldest son of their daughter, Mrs. N. L. Hanner, who lives in San Jose, had died of spinal meningitis. He was named Hal Worth Hanner, and was fourteen years old.—Greensboro Patriot.

The Siler City Grit of last week contained an article showing the progress being made at that place, reporting several residences and business blocks being erected.

Men.
God give us men! A time like this demands strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands.
Men whom the lust of office does not kill.
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy.
Men who possess opinions and a will.
Men who have honor and who will not lie.
Men who can stand before a demagogue
And scorn his trenchant flatteries without winking.
Tall men, unencumbered, who live above the fog
In public duty and in private thinking.
—J. G. Holland.

HOUSEHOLD TOPICS.

Items Of Interest To Women.

Many of our readers would doubtless give much to know of a quick and sure way of ridding the house of mice, which infest certain localities and are a source of annoyance to even the most careful housekeepers.

Here is a story that comes from England and points a moral in that direction: Marie had just been introduced into the kitchen by her mistress who, after a few necessary directions, withdrew; but she had gone far when she heard shrieks proceeding from that department, and returned to find Marie standing on top of the table with her skirts raised high and gathered around her. On spying her mistress she declared she had seen a mouse, and could not live in a house where they were allowed to run about at pleasure. If her mistress had only known about dusting cayenne pepper around places where mice are likely to enter, and stopping their holes with little wads of cotton thoroughly sprinkled with the pepper, she would not have had that unpleasant experience with Marie.

A French way of cleaning the inside of glass decanters and vinegar cruets will be found the simplest and most effectual. It is to take the shells of eggs before they are dried, after the eggs are removed, and crush them into small bits, putting them into the bottle or cruet with a little water and shaking well until the glass looks clear; then remove the shells, rinse with warm, soapy water, and afterward with clear, cold water.

Some of the most toothsome of dainties are the result of the experiments of college girls with chafing-dish concoctions. The latest is one of the changes they love to ring on old favorites, which in this case is fudge. They first fill the dish with fresh marshmallows, then pour the hot fudge over them.

A delicious dessert is made with whipped cream, to which has been added enough good maple syrup and flavor it to the taste. Pick in a freezer and let it stand a couple of hours before serving.

Many housekeepers are at a loss to know how to use up cold meats to make an appetizing dinner dish. Two kinds of cold meat can be utilized in Bordeaux Cutlets. Finely mince the meat, season to taste with salt, pepper and a little "Worcestershire sauce"; add about one-third the quantity of mashed potatoes; mix with enough white of egg to make the mixture of such consistency as to be easily formed into small chops, stick a small piece of macaroni in each to imitate the bone, dip in beaten egg, then in bread crumbs, and fry a nice brown in beef fat and butter. Serve around a mound of mashed potatoes and border the dish with green peas.

The latest addition to the sandwich with a filling made of figs, dates and nuts in equal proportions, chopped very fine and moistened with lemon juice.

MARTHA KELLER.

Why Suffer From Rheumatism?

Why suffer from rheumatism when one application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm will relieve the pain? The quick relief which this liniment affords makes rest and sleep possible, and that alone is worth many times its cost. Many who have used it hoping only for a short relief from suffering have been happily surprised to find that after awhile the relief became permanent. Mrs. V. H. Leggett of Yum Yum, Tennessee, U. S. A., writes: "I am a great sufferer from rheumatism, all over from head to foot, and Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the only thing that will relieve the pain." For sale by Standard Drug Co. Asheville, W. A., Underwood, Randleman.

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Our Millinery Opening was a big success. Many thanks for the many compliments paid our display.

We have been busy ever since trimming hats for Easter, but still have room for a few special orders.

We also have a handsome line of pattern hats, perfect beauties, in varied effects and shapes.

We are always ready to show you the most popular shapes and trimmings, whether you buy or not. Come to see us and keep in touch with Dame Fashion.

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Impure blood always shows somewhere. If the skin, then boils, pimples, rashes. If the nerves, then neuralgia, nervousness, depression. If the

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stomach, then dyspepsia, biliousness, loss of appetite. Your doctor knows the remedy, used for 60 years.

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Spring Styles Are Here.

The Remnant Sale recently advertised in these columns was a greater success by far than we expected. Our customers swept our counters and shelves almost clear of all goods of this class.

Believing the ladies of Asheville and Randolph county would appreciate the opportunity to select their spring dresses and furnishings before warm weather begins we have filled our counters thirty days early with the most complete and attractive line of

Dress Goods, Laces, Embroideries, Etc.

ever shown by us. They embrace all the most popular fabric and patterns.

A few we mention which are popularized in fashion centres, and will be largely worn during the coming spring and summer are Taffeta Gingham, White and Brown linen for shirt waists. For more dressy suits Lansdowne, an imported fabric of wool and silk, has taken a lead; while shadow checks and printed Silk Tissue are becoming notably popular.

Besides our regular line of trimmings we have just received a large shipment of laces, hamburgs and embroideries, which were imported by New York dealers, and will only be on sale here for ten days.

Spring Hats for Men.

Large line of Hats in straws, furs and panamas, the shapes to be worn during the coming season are already on sale at our store.

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