

Buds AND Blossoms

By MAMIE MILLER



"Honor and majesty are before Him: Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. Tremble before Him, all the earth." —98th Psalm

Colonial gardens are beautiful in localities where the architectural lines of the buildings fit into the gardens. Many gardens have many of the plants that the colonists brought with them to America along with their household belongings.

The colonists didn't just bring necessary fruits and vegetable seeds that were edible, but they included ornamental seeds and cuttings. John Joselyn visited America in 1638 and found many European plants here.

Some of the trees found in this country during the age of Colonial America are: American linden (Tilia Americana); the chaste tree (vitex agnus-castus), blooms in June and July; cherry laurel (laurocerasus Caroliniana) native of the

coast; catalpa (catalpa bignoniodes) known as the smoking-bean-tree; fringe-tree (chionanthus Virginian), in pioneer times the bark was used as a laxative, a tonic and as a fever medicine.

Honey locust (gleditsia Triacanthos) was grown for beans—food and beer were made from the sugary pulp. Live oak (Quercus Virginian) was raised by Indians to grind acorns of this oak to thicken the venison coup. The wood of this oak is the hardest of all woods. In the days of wooden ships the U. S. Navy owned large reservations of live oak timberland in Georgia, Florida and Louisiana.

Loblolly pine (Pinus taeda) was used for building in pioneer days. Three-fourths of the houses in Virginia were made of this pine. Magnolia (magnolia grandiflora) is the finest of evergreens for the colonial south.

Althaea is hibiscus syriacus, a member of the mallow family. Squill is a Spanish blue bell or wood hyacinth. These make nice borders for colonial borders. The blue phlox or phlox divaricate is a low growing plant producing light blue or lilac flowers.

Canterbury bells or campanula medium is named from the pilgrims carrying small bells as they went through the woods of wild flowers to the shrine of St. Thomas A. Becket in Canterbury.

Carolina jessamine or Gelsemium sempervirens is a sweet prolific vine of the eastern coast. Cherokee rose-Rosa laevigata is the state flower of Georgia. Thomas Jefferson planted some of these roses. The daffodils were grown in all colonial gardens. They have a sweet odor and are always a welcome to springtime.

DAFFODILS

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales
and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host of golden daffodils
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the
breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the milky way.

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They stretched in never-ending line
Along the margin of the bay:
Ten thousand saw I, at a glance,
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced, but they
Outdid the sparkling waves in glee;

A poet could not but be gay
In such a jocund company;
I gazed, and gazed, but little thought
What wealth the show to me
had brought.

For oft, when on my couch I lie,
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.
—William Wordsworth

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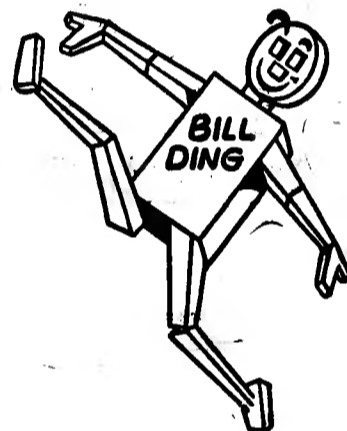


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