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CASTOR BEANS.

A Profitable and Easy Crop for Farmers to Grow.

We clip the following from the Jacksonville, Fla., Times, but perhaps it may be of interest to North Carolina as well as Florida farmers:

In casting about for profitable crops to be grown in Florida, the castor bean, or *palma christi*, should not be overlooked. One firm in New York city, H. I. Baker & Co., manufacturers of the oil, import yearly from Ceylon an average of 500,000 bushels of these beans for their own use. A bushel weighs 40 pounds, and costs, laid down in that city, from \$1.30 to \$2 per bushel, and the price has been known to reach \$3 per bushel. This firm does not manufacture much more than one-half the oil made in the United States; and thus the amount required cannot be less than 750,000 bushels. In 1880 there was reported a product of castor oil of 893,802 gallons in the United States, 436,362 gallons of which was made in Missouri from beans grown in Kansas, Illinois and Missouri.

Twenty years ago about the only use made of the oil was in medicine. Since that time it has grown into use for lubricating slow running machinery, wagons, carriages and buggies. It has nearly superseded fish and neat's foot oil in dressing leather of all descriptions, and proves far better than the animal oils which it has nearly superseded. The firm above spoken of purify the oil and deodorize it for toilet pomades and fancy soaps, and for use in lamps where sperm and other oils have been used, in all of which it has been found equal if not superior to them.

Attention has been directed to the oil and the increasing uses and demand, for the purpose of urging the cultivation of plant as a highly remunerating crop for the farmers of Florida to raise. It can be grown in all parts of the State on any ordinary corn land, and is the reverse of an exhaustive crop, inasmuch as all the leaves and stems can be returned into the soil. In those portions of the State where killing frosts occur, it may be grown at a distance of four feet each way, or 2,360 plants to the acre, and allowing one pint of beans to a plant, the yield would be eighty bushels. But farther south, where the plants survive, the distance may be 66 inches, or 1,440 plants to the acre, and a half the first year, and two quarts the second, or a yield per acre of 70 bushels the first year, and 150 bushels the second year. The plants would require no culture after they had reached the height of four feet, unless in the second year it might be required to cut up some large weeds. The plants should be cut down and buried in the soil as soon as they are killed by frost, and when killed it is advisable to cut down the plants. After the winter crop is taken the second time cut them up so that all can be buried in the soil, and follow with either corn or a second crop of castors. If the yields are as above stated, then the value of the crop at only \$1 a bushel, is from \$70 to \$180 per acre.

It is desirable to grow a variety of the beans that will readily shell from their outer coverings. For that purpose it will probably be found best to use those having red stems, leaves and flowers in preference to the green ones with yellow flowers.

The gathering is done by cutting the panicles of seeds off the plants and placing them in bins raised from the ground, with tight floors and sides, and without a cover, so that the sun may shine on the beans with full force (though they should be covered to prevent dew or rain falling on them), and they should be often stirred, beaten and turned till they have shelled out, when the bin can be again filled. They are fitted for market by winnowing and sacked like corn.

The seed, stems and shells should be returned to the land, or the compost pile, as they contain valuable elements of manure. The oil cake, although not fit for feeding to any stock, must be about as valuable as cotton seed cake for fertilizer.

Considered in all views, we have little or no doubt of the profitability of growing the castor beans by Florida farmers for market.

Prosperity of a California Editor Merced Express.
Some of our creditors intimated to us this week that the printing business must be good. We wish to say that if they have discovered any signs of prosperity it was not brought about in any legitimate business. Four acres and a ten-spot furnished the money to produce the improvement.

WHAT THEY READ.

The Books that the Judges and Senators Like to Read.

"F. G. C." in the Chicago Tribune, recalls in an interesting way a talk he recently had with one of the clerks of the Congressional Library. Said the librarian: "The Supreme Court Justices use the library a great deal both on the bench and off of it. They are continually calling for books of all sorts to aid them in their cases. Now it is a work on chemistry, now one on navigation, and now one on American history or some mechanical art. All sorts of questions enter into their cases and they make exhaustive studies in the consideration of them. They also take many books from the library for private use, and it is curious to turn some of their tastes take. Justice Gray, for instance, reads French novels and has drawn a thousand within the last five years. He calls for from six to ten at a time, reads both old and new ones, and complains that he can't find enough. It takes him about three days to finish a lot, when he sends back for more. Judge Bradley reads all kinds of books, and he reads a great deal. He is fond of looking up curious questions of history, and has a hobby every now and then which he wants to hunt up. He invents calendars, for instance, for telling the days of the week and month years ago, and can tell you what day of the week the 5th of November, 1601, came on. He is a very learned man, and is possessed of a wide range of information. Judge Harlan is quite a reader. Judge Field is much like Judge Bradley, without the hobbies. He reads books of travels, the classics, and is much interested in the Chinese problem. A day seldom passes that he does not call for some book of reference. The readers of the Senate," this man went on in response to my question, "are many. Senator Voorhees has often from sixty to one hundred books out of the library at a time, and he reads a great deal in preparing for his speeches. He likes the biographies and speeches of statesmen—lives of Clay, Calhoun, Webster, and their speeches. He reads more for business than amusement. Secretary Bayard is much like Voorhees in this respect, though he does not read as many books. Senator Logan is now reading on the civil war while working at his book, which is about completed. He has out now the 'History of the War,' by the Comte de Paris; 'Sherman's Memoirs' and 'Badeau's Grant.' Mr. Blaine read a great deal in preparing for his first volume. He devoured all the literature relating to the times of which he wrote, and he came to the library and spent hours in reading the newspapers of the period. Mr. Cox got a number of books from the Congressional Library, but he did not do any work in it. Cox is a great reader, but his drawings before this were books of travel largely. Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, is one of the most learned men in Congress. He is very accurate in his knowledge, too, and he knows almost as much about books as the librarian. He knows the different editions, is up on biography, of Americans especially, and is a great student of American history. Senator Edmunds is a very learned man, and reads books in foreign languages as well as the English. Senator Ingalls is a classical scholar and a reader. Both Garland and Ransom are great lovers of the classics. Ransom is always quoting Virgil, and Garland is fond of hunting up the origin of quotations from Greek and Latin. Senator Vance reads good books. Senator Sherman reads on financial questions, and generally for special purposes; such as for political and legislative speeches. He reads everything relating to finance. Senator Joe Brown sometimes reads religious matter, and also American history."

Henry Ward Beecher and a Lamb.

New York World.

Some years ago a bright girl came to live in Henry Ward Beecher's family as a domestic. She was the daughter of Protestants, who had been devoted in giving her careful religious training. She took another place in time, when for the time Mr. Beecher closed his home in Brooklyn. The family in which she obtained a situation were composed of devout Catholics. She became interested in their faith, and finally was convinced that she too, should be a member of the Roman Catholic church. Her parents were much annoyed, and they sought by persuasion, argument and other means to prevent her purpose. Finally, in their trouble they visited Mr. Beecher, and besought the intervention of his influence. "Send her to me," he said, and the girl presented herself to him. "Are you persuaded that you are doing right in joining the Catholic church?" he asked. She was sure that her convictions required her to take that step; she felt, she said, that she could be a better Christian and get more comfort out of religion in the Catholic church than in any other. "Then," said Mr. Beecher, take this letter to Father Pise, of the church of St. Charles Borromeo." Father Pise and Mr. Beecher were old friends. His letter ran thus: "Here is a lamb who thinks she sees better pasture on your side of the fence than she does on mine. Take good care of her. Yours in Christ, Henry Ward Beecher."

One's Loss is Another's Gain.

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