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#### WHEAT.

[By Rev. Robt. Lathan in the Yorkville Enquirer. ]

The season for sowing wheat is fast approaching. In view of this fact, a few practical suggestions may not be inappropriate. The first suggestion we conture to make is, that every farmer see to it that he sows enough of wheat to supply the wants of his own family. On an average, two acres of land will produce a sufficient amount of wheat, after paying for threshing and grinding, and deducting all wastes to bread, bountifully, a single individual for twelve months. Less than an acre will do this, if that acre is properly prepared and manured, with the proper kind of manure, before the wheat is sown. Every farmer can make the calculation, and in a moment learn how many acres of land he must sow in wheat in order to have bread for his household. All he has to do is to count the members of his family and multiply this number by two, and the inquiry is answered at once,

The next suggestion we make is with reference to the kind of soil best adapted to the production of wheat. Our remarks, on this point, must necessarily be of a general character. The farmer, like every other man, must learn a great deal in the school of experience. As a general rule, wheat requires a lively rather than a very rich soil. It is evident that no very poor land can be lively; bence no kind of wheat ever grown in this country, will produce, even a moderate crop, on poor land, unless it is manured with great skill. It is a waste of labor to sow old worn out fields in wheat. Again: Wheat prefers a dry soil. Rich lowlands are not adapted to the growth of wheat, and never should be sown in wheat, unless for the sake of rotating crops. Red lands are generally bet-ter adapted to the growth of wheat than light, sandy lands,

With regard to the variety of wheat which is best, every farmer must determine this for himself. Some varieties are better adapted to some kinds of soil than others This no one can know so well as the man who has, for several years, cultivated the lands. In our country the best variety of wheat, all things considered, is the red It requires stronger lands than some other varieties; but it has many things to recommend it. The stalk is strong and is seldom blown down. It is rarely injured by rust, since it ripens early. As a rule, it may be said that all late varictics of wheat are, in our climate, uncer-tain. When ev rything is favorable, the yield is often vo. / great; but they are so often injured by rust. that the average yield, for a number of years, is less than that of the early varieties. Cheat and cockle never injure early wheat, since the wheat is ripe and harvested before the chest and cockle are matured. The red My wheat possesses this advantage over all others. It is acclimated. This is a matter of no small moment. Some of those fine varieties, which have lately been introduced into our country, have degener. ated so much that they are now almost

It must not be concluded that, under all circumstances, May wheat is the variety that should be sown. Every farmer must exercise his own judgment with regard to this matter. That a fair yield of wheat may be calculated upon with any degree of certainty, three things must be attended to. The wheat must be sown early ; sown in good lively land; in land properly pre-

Various ways have been discovered by which smut may be prevented. The usual way is to souk the seed in a solution of blue stone. To do this costs very little, and, usually, it prevents all mout Why it does this we do not know, nor do we suppose any one certainly knows. All small gain should be sown when the ground is in good plowing condition. If sown when the ground is too wet, it is almost certain not to 'o well. Why it is, we do not pretend , to know; but wheat and oats sown when the ground is too wet, are more liable to amut and rust than when sown when the ground is in good plewing order.

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