

RAISING TURNIPS



We begin now, long in advance of the usual time of sowing, and we have upon our farms the suggestion of sowing a large crop of turnips this summer and fall. We ask them to look out now and begin to select and purchase a suitable piece of land, and as near the homestead as possible for convenience of gathering.

THE USE OF COMMERCIAL FERTILIZERS

The act of our General Assembly imposing a tax of \$500 on the manufacturer and importer of commercial fertilizers we endorse and support. We have long been of the opinion that the money paid by our farmers for these fertilizers, could by proper industry and economy be saved to themselves and the State, and if the effect of the act be as it will, to drive all worthless brands from the State, then our farmers who purchase these commercial fertilizers are protected from the purchase of a worthless article.

RUST ON CELERY

There are two causes of rust—Celery likes a cool, moist situation, and if a trifle shaded all the better. If it is planted in an open situation, exposed to the sun, it sometimes rusts, and this causes rust. This, however, is not the most frequent cause. Celery should neither be hoed nor earthed up when it is with dew or rain, nor when the ground is moist. It should be done when the soil and plants are dry, otherwise rust is sure to be the result.

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POULTRY YARD

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ATTENTION FARMERS

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