## TRUCK.

both tree and fruit proved totally dis- will make no misrepresentations. He tinct. The Le Conte grows some- is the principle grower in this country, Much has been said, and much has what in the shape of a Lombar- has 15,000 beautiful young trees which

been written about Norfolk and its dy poplar, the branches shooting I have seen. trucking interests. It is a vast inter- straight up; and the fruit is glossy, est that yearly increases in impor large, rosetinged and delicious. The tance. Its history dates from 1842. Chinese sand-pear, however, grows when on the farm of Bates and Hatch, more in the shape of the orange, peach Jerseymen, located on the Western and ordinary apple; the fruit is a Branch, early vegetables for ship- "rusty-coat," small, tough and good ment were first raised, peas and cu- chiefly for looking purposes. But the cumbers were the first articles pro- Le Conte is of the same family, as

duced, and since then the cultivation both grow from a cutting. and shipment of vegetables to North- The parent trees, owned by Mrs. ern markets has steadily progressed Harlen, attracted very little attenuntil now for a distance of miles on tion ; and about the time it began to both sides of the river we find a con- bear, the war broke out and the tree tinuous line of truck farms; in fact remained unnoticed for a number of the whole of Norfolk county may be years. Then, 1869, Capt. L. L. Varconsidered one immense garden farm. nedoe, who had managed for Mrs. But the cultivation of truck is not Harden previous to the war, removed alone confined to Norfold county. It from Liberty county to this, and is carried on to a considerable extent brought with him a number of cutin all the contiguous counties, Prin- tings from the tree. Of these, about cess Anne, Nansemond, Elizabeth half a dozen lived and flourished; and City county, Warwick, Northhamp- from these orignal trees many others ton and Accomack. Besides the cul- have been grown. Mr. H. H. Santivation of vegetables for market has ford procured cuttings from Capt. spread to the sound counties of North Varnedoe, and now he, as well as Carolina, seeking an outlet at Nor- Capt. N., has extensive orchards and folk, for shipment North. nurseries, which are paying a fine in-

The value of immediate truck farm- come. Many hundreds of young ing, that is of the productions of the trees are sold every year, and large truck farms of Norfolk county, may numbers of people are embarking in be estimated as reaching two millions pear-raising as a business. of dollars, as follows : Apples, \$36,- As remarked, the Lc Conte

000; asparagus, \$50,000; artichoke, grown from a cutting twelve and fif-\$1,000; beans, \$120,000; beets, \$8,- teen inches long, which is set down in 000 ; strawberries, \$250,000 ; black- the ground so as to leave only about berries, \$700; whortleberries, \$800; two eyes or buds out. These cuttings raspberries, \$800; gooseberries, \$700; are placed in drills as close together chetries, \$1,200; cabbage, \$180,000; as orange trees in a nursery-two or citron, \$15,000 ; cucumbers, \$30,000; three inches apart. A good many of cauliflower, \$2,800; kale, \$36,000; them die, but sometimes nearly all of lettuce, \$12,000; onions, \$12,000; them live. It has not been determined peaches, \$12,000; pears, \$150,000; what proportion of them will live-

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respectable sum when we consider tha age.

in 1857, according to the information When transplanted, the young trees furnished by Mr. G. F. B. Leighton, should be set out in twenty feet squares, president of the Horticultural and if put on common land; but if the land is of good quality, they should be placed Pomological Society, in the last spetwenty-five feet apart. They must be cial issue of the Virginian, that there topped and afterwards pruned carefully were only about half-dozen different as they grow, the pruning being done varieties of vegetables shipped ; that with a view to make the branches grow in 1868 the report of the Horticul- outwardly. In pruning, the fruit-spurs tural and Pomological Society record- should not be taken off. All of the cliped only eleven varieties, in the list of pings may be stuck in the ground and

vegetables and fruits, with an esti- The fruit ripens, as stated, in July. But mated value of one million of dollars; for shipping purposes, it should be gaththat in 1878, the list reached thirty- ered ten or fifteen days before it ripens. five varieties with a value of one and Step ladders and other convenient contria half million of dollars. It was vances are used in gathering. The fruit is packed as soon as gathered. It is first gratifying for the Virginian last year wrapped in ordinary white paper (newsto record the value of the truck crop paper) and then packed in crates twentyas reaching \$1,751,645.34. It is ad- two inches long, twelve and a half inches ditionally gratifying to present the deep and eight wide. These crates convalue of the crop of 1880 as within a tain about seven-eights of a bushel, or an average of ninety pears; they are made fraction of two millions of dollars. of bass-wood shipped here from Bangor,

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Leighton has correctly stated it when The shipping qualities of the Le in his letter the Virginian last year Conte pear are unsurpassed. The he stated that "no section of our At- skin is very tough and will not easily lantic coast is so favorably located break or rot; it will hold the inside for reaching the various markets, and of the pear after it has become as soft none are better supplied with a rapid as mush.

transportation facilities."-The great Capt. Varnedoe showed me a bill improvement to our roads had great- of three crates of Le Conte pears, ly advanced our progress in the cul- which he sold in New York a week tivation of market gardening. We or so ago. By this bill it showed that have now splendid shell and well he realized a net profit of \$3.95 per graded roads running in all direc- crate, which is more than four cents tions, enabling the trucker to reach a piece for the pears. Year, before the city with his shipments in a short last, his net profits on twelve trees were time after he has gathered it from his \$410. His crop this year will averfarm, so that he can place it in the age ten bushels to the tree, and he markets of Washington, Baltimore, says it is not half a crop. Neverthe-Philadelphia and New York next less, at ten bushels to the tree it will be day, at an early hour .- Norfolk Vir- seen that this is sixteen crates, which, ainian. being sold at the rate of profit men-

tioned above, gives a profit of over The Le Conte Pear. sixty dollars to the tree. Now, with THOMASVILLE, GA., July 14, 1880. seventy trees on an acre. That sounds I have put myself to some expense "fisher," I know; but right now and and trouble to run down here and in- in Capt. Varnodoe's case, it is certainvestigate the famous Le Conte pear. ly true, for I havo seen the trees, the Its headquarters, so to speak, are here gathering, the crates and the bill, and in Thomas county, and it is attract- I speak from the evidence of my eyes. ing as much attention in this vicinity Now, your readers are ready to ask, as the orange in Florida. will this last? I answer, I don't know. A brief resume of the history of the But will your orange business last? If Le Conte pear may be appropriate, so, then the Le Conte pear business Maj. John Ce Conte, from whom it will last and continue to pay. In my takes its name, introduced it into opinion, there is as much promise in Liberty county, Ga., in 1856. He the Le Conte pears as in oranges. It found it in a Northern nursery, where seems to require a sandy soil with a it was labeled Chinese Sand-pear, and clay foundation, but Messrs. Sauford he sent it to his neice, Mrs. Harden, & Varnedoe say it will do well in any who lived in Liberty county in this sort of soil that is not poor. State. At the same time he told her Those who wish to know more on it would grow from a cutting and this subject, I recommend them to ripen late in the Fall. The result write to Mr. H. H. Sanford, Thomasproved that it was not the sand-pear ; ville, Thomas county, Ga. He is perfor while it would grow from a cut- feetly reliable and honorable; and ting, the fruit ripened in July and though dealing in Le Conte trees, he

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