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RECONSTRUCTION.

The Times pronounces the Reconstruction Policy of Congress a success. Upon the contrary, it is far from being a dead failure as the rebellion. Such Governments as exist in Tennessee, and Missouri, in Virginia and Louisiana, in Texas, and Alabama, in North and South Carolina, are the deadest kind of failures. Even in Georgia, the State Treasurer charges the Governor with drawing \$35,000 of the State money without accounting for it; the latter replying that an Governor has a perfect right to do as he pleases, and claiming that the Treasurer's action is prompted by personal motives. It is a misnomer and an insult to call that a success, which tends to the white man, the ballot, and official place, while giving both to the negro, and to show the extent of this, in one State, we see that O. B. Wilcox, in command of the military post at Lynchburg, Va., is at the head of a Board recently created by Gen. Stoneman, commanding the Military District of Virginia, who are to make examination of applicants for the 5,000 offices in the State which are created by act of Congress. These 5,000 white men in one State are chosen from the most honest and capable in their native houses, are turned out of office by Congress, and their places are to be supplied by a military commission. Georgia, too, is denied by Senators in Congress, (with Representatives in the House) after the people and Legislature have conformed a Constitution, approved by the majority of the people of the State, and by Congress. And, as if past iniquities were not enough, we see still a new iniquity in the proposed 14th amendment to the Constitution. All are to vote in the future, if this amendment is adopted, except Women and Indians and negroes. Now because this enlargement of the suffrage is to benefit the negro, not because, it is hoped, the negro will vote with the Radicals, and so perpetuate the power of Radical party.

These measures and the power to pass them are alike lamentable. To give political power, without regard to race or color, is to violate the principles of St. Domingo, the Spanish-American Republics, and the great teachings of the past. To give the ballot to 750,000 ignorant negroes is quite experience enough for us, for at least quarter of a century. Spare us, therefore, from all further innovations of this kind. — N. T. Editor.

**STIRRING SOIL AROUND TREES.**  
The universal complaint among fruit-growers has, of late, been that fruit is becoming almost worthless for marketing, owing to the ravages of the curculio. The following remedy, from the "Germantown Telegraph," is quite sensible, and a trial of the simple remedy proposed, if not resulting in the desired effect as far as the destruction of the eggs of the curculio will have a tendency to benefit the growth and health of the tree:

"The opening or lightening the soil around the roots of trees, either in the Spring or Fall, for the purpose of letting in warmth, and affording a fresh medium for the expansion and development of the roots, is of great value in promoting the health and vigor of the tree."

All trees, whether fruit or ornamental, young or old, indigenous or exotic, are vastly benefited by this process. In old orchards, the soil about the trunks of the trees, and to a considerable distance from them, in every direction, should be carefully broken, and the upper surface, to the depth of three or four inches, removed in the Spring, every four or five years. The eggs of the curculio and other insects, are deposited in the stratum, and, if not removed or destroyed, will produce insects, the ravages of which the succeeding year will be productive of far greater loss than the expense of removing the soil and replacing it with compost of loam. It is an utterly hopeless undertaking to attempt the cultivation of good fruit, when no measures are not resorted to obviate the fatal effects of this detestable and inidious foe, and the remedy must suggest itself to the consciousness of all who turn their attention to the fruits from its application.

A very good soil, taken from the open fields or cultivated lands, may be used as a substitute for compost, and a very small quantity will suffice. Even if no insect-mistress is applied, the soil would recommend the removal of the surface soil, and would replace it with compost. Chip manure or old dung covered with straw, answers well for this purpose.

**THE CASTOR BEAN.**  
Prof. Gregory, whom we have already spoken of as travelling through a large portion of the State recently, to promote the culture of the castor bean, informs us that the soil and climate of Texas are eminently adapted to the growth of the crop, and thinks it will pay better than cotton.

The bean is not affected by drought or worm, while its culture is well suited to the present scarcity of labor, especially as in the perennial form, it will, as in India, provide five or six crops without replanting.

It should be planted in rich ground, early in March, deeply covered—the ground checked off as for corn, eight feet between the rows, six feet between the plants in a row. Plant two beans in a hill, cover and work between as for corn. When the plants are a foot high, thin out to one plant per hill, the top of that, and, if the tending is to grow rank, repeat this pinching on the end of each branch, when the plant is three feet high, and again the same when it is five feet high, as the blossom or spike usually grows out of the fork of the branches.

For uplands six feet each way will usually give me enough. This sowing will make about 1,200 plants to the acre, requiring about 47 pounds of seed. These 1,200 plants, it is believed, will yield about 25 pounds each of clean seed, which, at the rate of 5 cents per pound, species, the price paid by Messrs. H. J. Baker & Co., New York, last year, would realize the handsome sum of \$15 per acre. This result, however, requires not only the large perennial seed (the only sort that should be planted), but good ground, well worked, and a shelter to protect the plants under as fuel as gathered, the greatest losses in Texas have been caused by want of the large perennial seed, and resorting to the small annual seed. Fine results have been obtained in Texas by merely plowing a few rows, seeds to make shade for poverty, as well as an ornament, without any culturing whatever.

Profitable experiments can be made by raising one plant in each angle of the squares of cotton fields. This will also help

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