

omize room as well as to get extra nice, smooth fruit. Both lettuce and radishes may be cropped on the ground to be given over to tomatoes, before the latter are ready. Peas and beans of the climbing varieties need not be grown; for the most part, there are just as good kinds among the dwarfs. There are even dwarf limas. Beans, too, give a long season, if planted every two weeks from the first week in May until early in August. Don't hold the ground for them, however, or you will not be a successful intensive gardener. Sow them when you have taken off an early crop of spinach, say; and later, where early peas and beet greens have been grown. Lima beans mature more slowly than the other kinds, and only a single planting is made, as a rule. They are uncertain in the north, any way.

Every gardener likes a long succession of peas. The way to have it is to plant only a short row first—as soon as the ground is workable for the smooth sorts—and to put in another row every other week. It is difficult to get peas to mature well in the hot weather, though. Some gardeners plant again in late July for a fall crop. After the first rows are off, carrots, beets and Swiss chard may occupy the ground. Swiss chard may be used all summer, for as fast as the leaves are picked off new ones form. I like to grow it for the chickens—and the chickens appreciate the attention.

Cucumbers grown in the ordinary way encumber a large amount of ground, if they are thriving. A man of my acquaintance grows them in barrels along side his barn, up which they are trained on strings. The bottoms of the barrels are filled with old tin cans for drainage. Then, a bushel or more of manure goes in, and some four inches of earth to cover the manure. After the seeds are sown, water is given freely. Cucumbers grown in this way are easy to pick, and do not become covered with dirt.

A hot-bed is of great value in a backyard garden; and so are the little garden frames, with which it is possible to gain a week or more in time, if the season is backward. Beans, for instance, are almost sure to fail, if planted before the ground is well warmed and the season settled; but a garden frame over each plant turns failure into success. Such a frame may be made at home by covering a square box from the grocery store with a piece of cheesecloth. Of course, the glass-covered frames which one may purchase are better. Sometimes it is possible to help along the vegetables by placing two pairs of glass over each plant, with another at each side; or by mounding the earth, and putting a pane of glass across the top. Such expedients are by no means to be despised by the man with a back-yard garden—especially if his neighbor does not know about them.

How the Frog Won the Race

Everybody knows what a fondness Mr. Frog has for engaging in contests of all kinds with his fellow creatures, so that when he one day met the crane that long-legged bird was not surprised to receive a challenge.

"I can get across that pond before you," declared Mr. Frog.

"No you can't," replied Mr. Crane, with a laugh.

"Well, we'll have a race," declared Mr. Frog, "and the first to get on the other side of the pond shall marry the miller's daughter."

"I shall win without trouble," cried Mr. Crane, who was thinking how far he could stride with his long legs.

"We shall see," said Mr. Frog.

"Are you ready?" asked Mr. Crane.

"Yes," answered Mr. Frog.

"Go!" cried Mr. Crane, and away they both went into the water.

Mr. Crane strode boldly in and went through the water with long steps, rapidly leaving the shore behind.

Into the water also went Mr. Frog with a big splash.

When Mr. Crane had gone some distance he stopped and looked around to see where Mr. Frog was, but that wary creature was not in sight.

"Well, I guess I've left him far behind," said Mr. Crane with a laugh. "I shall just wait here for him to catch up."

So he waited and waited, and no sign came of Mr. Frog.

But presently he heard a voice calling to him, and when he looked over at the other side of the pond who should Mr. Crane see but Mr. Frog.

Mr. Frog had swum all the way under the surface of the water!

"I told you I would get here first," laughed the frog.

The English Version of it!

Hans (who has been hit with a golf ball)—I vill have you in the law courts for dis. I vill sue you for five pounds damages!

Golfer—But surely you heard me shout "Fore?"

Hans—Right! I vill take it!

—London Opinion



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