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HERE IS A GARDENER and some of his fall crops—celery, salsify, onions, and turnips. All these and many other vegetables he can have all winter long. The celery will only need storing, and the others can be left in the garden practically the whole winter. Over most of our territory lettuce and radishes may be had all through any ordinary winter by sowing in beds and covering with brush. Canvas is better, of course, and glass still better, but if neither is available, there is still the brush.

Besides these hardy outdoor vegetables, most of the others can be put up in some form or other for winter use, and any one who has not tried it can have no idea how much they will add to the winter dietary.

As Professor Massey says on page 3, every farmer should have a home canning outfit, and the possibilities of putting up really first-class fruit and vegetable products for the fancy trade have just begun to be appreciated.

We have often advised the planting of fall gardens as well as the planting of a liberal supply of small and orchard fruits as easily available and remarkably effective means of increasing both the financial returns and the satisfaction to be derived from the farm. Let us once more urge every reader to put up for winter use all his surplus fruits and vegetables, to keep his garden going, and to set out—if he has not already an abundant supply—more berries and grapes, more fruit and nut trees. A liberal supply of fruit and vegetables in the winter is pretty good evidence of progressive farming; and it is so easy to have them that every farmer should be ashamed to be without.

This Week and Next.

THE QUESTION OF feeding is always one of importance whether it relates to the feeding of the family, the live stock or the soil; and this week we treat all these phases of the subject. Our "\$500 More a Year" article is primarily concerned with a better dietary for the farmer and his family in the winter months; and on page 14 there are other suggestions along the same line. On page 11 the feeding of cottonseed meal to hogs and to horses is treated in an authoritative manner and the conclusions there given can safely be taken as embodying the results of the latest investigations along this line. On page 2 Professor Massey quotes with approval what Mr. Robinson says about the value of silage: "If I had to give up the silo, I'd give up stock raising."

As for feeding the land, the discussion on page 10 of when to haul out the manure is worth every farmer's attention, as is also the article on inoculation on page 2.

Other features of more than passing interest are the editorial on saving the corn crop, the ac-

count of the recent Farmers' Alliance meeting at Hillsboro, and the illustrations of the Tennessee Experiment Station hay-curing frame.

Next week in our "\$500 More a Year" series Dr. Butler will write on winter cover crops, a subject of vital importance to every man who owns an acre of land; Mr. Jno. W. Robinson will tell of his experience in dairying; Professor Massey will discuss the selection of seed corn for next year's crop; the poultry page will have the first of a little series of articles on preparing birds for exhibition. We shall try to find space for some practical talk on getting ready for the fall oat crop, as well as for a number of short letters direct from the farm. On the Home Circle pages Mrs. Stevens' charming letter this week will be followed by one from Mrs. Patterson in her happiest style—and it is unnecessary to say more about it.

The farmer who doesn't sow clover this fall is going to be badly out of fashion, and the same thing is true of the man who doesn't select seed corn and seed cotton in the field. Better get ready for both.

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