

BEAUTIFYING HOME GROUNDS NOT EXPENSIVE

Of all the unattractive places, the home grounds without shade trees, shrubbery and grass heads the list. There is no reason for such a state of affairs existing, because in whatever condition one's finances may be, a few dollars may be dug up for a few shade trees and a few clumps of shrubbery. We have seen many small homes almost made over in appearance, where not more than \$5 or \$10 was spent for shrubbery, and a dollar or two for some lawn grass seed.

Neither is it necessary to secure the services of a paid landscape gardener in order to beautify the home grounds. He would probably make the place look better than the home owner himself, yet with the free information that is available for everyone, there is no reason why any one cannot properly locate and plant shrubbery and trees.

State agricultural colleges, county agents, nurserymen, farm papers and other agricultural organizations are all glad to supply information of this kind. Where one will take a picture of the house and yard where trees and shrubbery are desired and send it to the state agricultural college, or to nurserymen having shrubbery for sale, detailed information as to the exact kind of shrubbery that is best suited and where it should be placed may be had. In sending in such a picture, send along a rough drawing, showing location of house, walks, driveways, and any trees or shrubbery that may already be on the grounds.

Also show on the drawing and the distance between the house and the driveway and the distance between the trees and house, the height of the eaves of the roof of the house, the height of the porch floor from the

ground. Another source from which much information along this line may be secured is from the catalogues put out by nurserymen, and from bulletins put out by the state agricultural colleges and the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. They are written by men who are fully informed as to the best methods of beautifying the home grounds and are free to anyone who asks for them.

The main point that we wish to make here is that the cost of improving the home grounds is not necessarily expensive. It is true that one may spend an unlimited amount of money in improving the grounds, but it is equally true that a mighty good showing may be made with a limited amount of money.

Another point we would make is that this work should not be put off until the last minute. May folks intend to plant the grounds but put it off until it is too late in the spring and then say they will do it the following year and repeat the same thing over again. Therefore, the time to begin studying this proposition is in winter, so that the plans may be made, the work mapped out, etc., before spring.

Nothing will add so much to the making of the house a real home as to beautify the surroundings. Even men who make no pretension of caring for the beautiful are influenced by their surroundings. No one can possibly live in a home with beautiful grounds, made so by trees, shrubbery, etc., and not be a better man. Therefore, let's not say that we care nothing for the beautiful, because we do, whether conscious of it or not. Let's not stifle what love there may be in our natures for beauty of this kind.

ATE TOO FAST

South Carolinian Took Black-Draught For Indigestion, and Says He Could Soon Eat Anything.

Ballentine, S. C.—Mr. W. B. Bounlight, of this place, gave the following account of his use of Theodor's Black-Draught. "Just after I married I had indigestion. Working out, I got in the habit of eating fast, for which I soon paid by having a tight, bloated feeling after meals. This made me very uncomfortable. I would feel stupid and drowsy, didn't feel like working. I was told it was indigestion. Some one recommended Black-Draught and I took it after meals. I soon could eat anything any time.

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In Memory of Mrs. J. H. McLamb

Another home and many hearts have been made sad by the death of Mrs. J. H. McLamb. She was born February 23, 1889, making her stay on earth thirty-six years. She was married to Mr. J. H. McLamb in 1910. To this union were born seven children, three of whom preceded her to the grave several years ago, leaving to mourn a devoted mother, her husband, four loving children, a father, one sister, three brothers and a host of sorrowing friends to mourn their loss. She joined the Second Advent church at Lee's Chapel in 1917, and was baptized by Elder Y. W. Moore. She lived a devoted member for several years. She was a Christian, a wife indeed and a splendid mother to her children. By her Christian life she pointed towards the heavenly home to which her spirit has flown. It is sad to give her up, yet we rejoice in the hope of meeting her in our father's house where Jesus has gone to prepare a place for those who love him, and hope to join her in perfect praise forever. She was a great sufferer for several months before her death and the Lord gave her sweet relief from it by taking her to himself. Her going leaves a vacant seat in her church, of which she was a faithful member, and a vacant place in the hearts of her family which can never be filled, but Lord, help us to be reconciled to God's holy and divine will in taking her home, for this is her

great and eternal gain. It almost broke our poor hearts to think how quickly our dear Bettie was snatched away and to know that we can never see her face again, yet we can not wish her back in this world of troubles and sorrows. Her death was a terrible shock to us all, but God knows best. He giveth and he taketh away.

Her funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Elder Y. M. Moore in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends. The floral offerings gave evidence of the high esteem in which she was held. Her body was laid to rest in Banner's Chapel cemetery, there to await the glorious resurrection.

She is gone and gone forever,
Where troubles are no more;
So let us live to meet her
On that bright and happy shore.
A sister-in-law,
MATTIE.

States on products sold for rat control. Although this is a comparatively small item compared with others in the list of losses chargeable to rats, it is one that can be measured with a reasonable degree of accuracy.

Letters were written to all concerns in the United States which were listed as being engaged in the manufacture of preparations or devices to combat rats. Reliable figures were received from 22 manufacturers of chemical poisons, from 9 manufacturers of bacterial viruses, and from 4 trap manufacturers. A compilation of the figures received showed that approximately \$1,380,000 is expended annually for chemical poisons to combat rats. The amount spent for bacterial viruses is about \$500,000. The records of money spent annually

for rat traps were incomplete, but indicated an expenditure in excess of \$23,000, which brings the total to about \$2,000,000.

A survey of nearly four thousand farms in four states shows that three fourths of the farmers have adopted improved agricultural practices as a result of agricultural extension work, according to figures recently released by the United States Department of Agriculture.

"Well," said Uncle Si Brugging after a solo by a fashionable church choir tenor, "if that ain't the rudest thing I ever saw! Just as soon as the young man began to sing every member of the choir stopped. But he went through with it, and I must say I admire his spunk!"—Exchange.

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