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It has been years since we had an oldtime rainy spell, but for some days showers came, and plants have grown well. It is a delight to hoe out noxious weeds which rob your plants of fertility in the soil, and grow much faster than those plants you want to grow for food.

You cannot crowd the season. Corn planted on March 20th isn't any larger than that planted on April 15th, fertilized just alike, and six weeks peas in the first part of the year are ten weeks peas, and this spring more poor stands have come up of everything than I remember seeing since last year.

Mine is not a victory garden so far, nor are any of my truck. I hope to have some "green corn on a plate" the latter part of June, but the crop is not great prospect for a good yield, and six weeks peas are the poorest stand I have ever seen.

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iell in torrents for three nours, and plowed fields were carried away to the Atlantic ocean, or out of our teach. That is evolution. When I the rains wash away the hills, carry the soil to the ocean, and build an island of alluvial land. Rich land, too.

The richest land in America, I suppose, are the islands, the Delta land near the mouth of the Mississippi river below New Orleans. The mouth of the River Nile is another rich delta region. The flooding of the country occasionally along these two, and other rivers, enriches the lands carried from farms, as from ours, May 12th, 1879.

I had hopes in 1879 of making the largest corn crop on Drowning Creek, but ten acres of our best corn was washed out of the field and my hopes with it. I have had many disappointments in life, but I am determined not to let disappointments knock me out of a good time.

I once thought that if people had money, they could have enjoyment, because they could have anything they wanted; but some of the sadest lives often are those who do not lack earthly riches. Knowing how to spend what you have, much or little, to the best advantage, is scientific living.

I sometimes think I have been very fortunate. I have never known poverty nor riches. I have never known what success in business really means, and still I have had all I could consume of the best the world has had to give; and fun? I have had lots of it. And will have lots more, if I live.

Making the most of what you have. and enjoying it meantime, is the true philosophy of life. When I was young, I carried my earthly possessions in my pockets, and my friends got as much of it as I did-sometimes more -at least some of them had it longer.

Of all the foolish things I have done is using tobacco. I told my children, and all other children in my schools, to never get the habitnever allow a viscious, or harmful habit control them, and I think many acted on the suggestion. There is a kind of enjoyment in a smoke, or chew, but you would have as much pleasure without either.

You have heard "Law is common sense," and if you notice, it is. The constitution put on statutes are often misleading. In the first place, every citizen should behave. You know what that means-you have been told to behave often enough to have learned, and when anyone misbehaves, he is violating the law-some law.

The Japanese have lost approximately 200 war vessels, and 250 other warships. They have had 400 to 500 bombers shot down, so their losses are heavy. Their loss in man

