THE FARMER'S COLUMN

Garden Work for February.

Not much can be done, yet, if the weather will permit, enough to occupy the gardener very fully, unless he has already performed much that we suggest as fit work for this month.

GRAPES.—Prune the grape vines and use the knife freely. Two main stems, four or five feet high, trimmed close, are enough for each vine. High trellises, of course require different pruning.—Procure practical treatises on grape culture, and follow the directions, or obtain the services of an experienced man, as success in grape culture and grape production greatly depends on proper pruning of the vines.

COLD FRAMES.—Attend closely to these, and force lettuce, radish, spinach, &c.

BEETS, PARSNIPS AND CARROTS.—[illegible] Manure well, spade deep, rake well.

ONIONS.—The seed of onions may now be sown, and onions planted out for seed. Ashes, plaster, and soapsuds are excellent fertilizers for onions.

SPINACH, RADISH AND LETTUCE.—Manure very highly a warm border, prepare it nicely and sow thinly seeds of radish, lettuce and spinach.

All small salading, such as mustard, cress, &c., may in like manner be now sown.

PARSLEY, THYME, SAGE, and other culinary herbs, can be sown as soon as the ground is in order.

PEAS.—After the middle of the month peas being hardy may be sown. A few rows every ten days from now until May will give a succession. For earliest sowing we would commend the dwarf sorts, as they can be more easily protected from the severe cold, than the tall sorts.

TREES, DWARFS AND SMALL FRUITS These, if they were not attended to last autumn, should be now pruned, shortened, worked about, manured, and mulched with leaves or old straw. The bodies and larger limbs washed with a mixture of two parts soft soap, one part salt, and one part ashes, diluted with water to the consistence of thick white-wash and applied with a white-wash-brush.—*Md. Farmer.*

MANAGEMENT OF STABLE-MANURE.—In a recent prize essay before the Illinois Agricultural Society, the following method is given for keeping stable-manure in the best condition: In dry weather two men and a team are employed to fill a large bin in the stable with pulverized clay, road-dust, or common soil. With this the floor of each stall is covered three inches deep, and on this layer is placed the litter, thus giving opportunity for a complete absorption of urine. This bin filled in one day with dried and pulverized earth sufficed for ten head of cattle during the stabling seasons. Dried clay was also used for the pig-pen and hen-roosts.—To save manure from fire-fang it was covered with soil one inch deep. Water was occasionally applied to stop fermentation.

USE OF TOADS.—The Journal des Connaissances Medicales states that the French horticulturists have followed the example of the English ones, and peopled their gardens with toads. These reptiles are determined enemies of all kinds of snails and slugs, which, it is well known, can in a single night destroy a vast quantity of lettuce, carrots, asparagus, etc. In Paris toads are sold at the rate of fifty cents a dozen. The dealers in this uninviting article keep it in large tubs, into which they plunge their bare hands and arms, without any fear of the poisonous bite to which they are supposed to expose themselves.—Toads are also kept in vineyards, where they devour during the night millions of insects that escape the pursuit of nocturnal birds.

SHEEP.—No Stock suffers more from damp, cold quarters than sheep. They will winter better in an open field than in a low damp filthy yard. But they should be spared either of these inflictions. An open shed that may be closed in driving storms ought to be provided, with a roomy yard in which they may lie in fair weather. Oats and corn are dear this season, and bran, rye or buckwheat may be given with equal profit. A little variation of feed is good for sheep, but the changes should not be made frequently, or they will learn to look for it and become cloyed. Feed is bad for ewes that are to lamb early.

OLD STOCK.—There is no profit in feeding stock that is past its prime. It is waste of feed and money. As soon as any animal begins to fail it should be disposed of. Old cows, old oxen, old sows, and old hens, form the bulk of the stock upon many farms. The young animals are sold off. This is the reverse of what is wise and profitable.

PLASTER.—We esteem this the best time of the year to apply plaster to young clover and grain crops. If salt be mixed with it, say three bushels of salt to one of plaster, would be still better.

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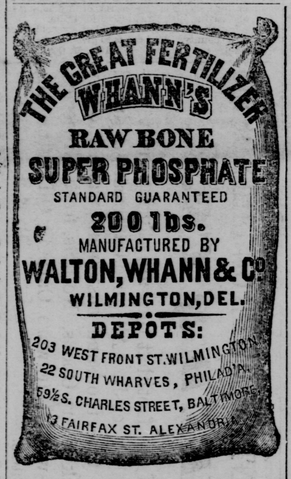

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