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FINE GRANGE ADDRESSES.

The following addresses were delivered at a late meeting of the County Grange:

(Written by Mr. Walter Harris, of Still Pond.)

Apple growing is of little importance in Kent at present, there are but three orchards of any size in the county.

Apple planting has been on the increase in Maryland in recent years. In 1889, 1,410,413 bushels of apples were grown in this State, and ten years later, 1899, 3,150,673 bushels of apples were grown in Maryland. The number of apple trees increased in every county except Kent. The largest increase being in Baltimore, Wicomico, Charles, Washington and Garrett counties. Apple planting has increased while peach planting has decreased. Eighty three per cent. of the entire quantity of orchard fruits produced in the United States are apples, not including the output of cider, vinegar and evaporated fruit.

In looking over the best of varieties and their origin I found but two varieties who origin was in Maryland, the Maryland Maiden Blush and the Lankford, the latter was found by Mr. Thomas Vickers on the shores of Lankford Bay, this county.

In planting commercial apple orchards select only varieties whose value in our section has been demonstrated. The Yellow Transparent, Early Harvest, Early Ripe and Red Astrican are all good early apples for this section, the Smith Cider, Paragon and Staman are good winter apples.

Apple farming is a long winded game. The apple grower need not expect to receive any profit from his trees before they are ten or twelve years old and then it will be well earned by careful pruning, cutting out the deceased trees, fertilizing, thorough cultivation and spraying once every year for scale insects, and after the trees come in bearing four to six sprayings a year for insect and fungous diseases which attack the fruit.

In buying apple trees from the nursery get trees with branches two to three feet from the ground, then the trees can be trained with low heads which will prevent sunscall and cheapen the pruning, spraying and picking. Less damage will be done a low head tree in tilling than one with a high top because the team will not get as close to the trunk and thereby knock off the bark. There will also be less damage from high winds with low branching trees. There will be less evaporation and lower temperature around the base of the low-head trees.

Every spring before growth starts the trees should be pruned, cutting all cross branches and thinning where the branches are too thick so as to balance the tops and admit sun light and a free circulation of air to all parts of the tree.

The most valuable fertilizer for an apple orchard is well rotted barnyard manure. The next best is clover grown among the trees and allowed to fall and rot on the ground and turned under in the early spring.

The orchard should be given thorough cultivation during the growing season from early spring to the last of June and then sown with some cover crop with the last tilling.

It is only within the last twenty years that spraying fruit trees has received any special attention. The grower to be successful must know what he is spraying for, when to spray, what to spray with and do the work thoroughly. The bitting insects as codling moth should be sprayed with some poison, the sucking insects as scales require an insecticide that kills by coming in contact with them.

The spraying for fungous diseases must be done before the disease appears as a prevenative not as a curative. Often the insecticide and fungicide can be mixed and applied as a single application.

In picking apples for market they should never be allowed to become mellow on the trees. Summer varieties should be picked over several times, getting the largest and ripest fruit each time, they should be shipped as soon after picking as possible because they are very perishable. Winter varieties should be picked when the fruit begins to drop, it is common to pick all the apples from the tree at once. It pays best to sell soon after the apples are picked. The loss in holding by rot and shrinkage will often amount to more than the increase in market price.

What is the Best Education Our Public Schools Can Give Boys and Girls?

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New Citron	20c
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