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Nut-Bearing Trees Are Needed

There are two main factors that make the planting of nut-bearing trees profitable; one is the nut they will bear, and the other is the ultimate value of the trees themselves. As to the first consideration, many authorities express the opinion that the planting of nut trees ought to be encouraged and increased until nuts are produced in large enough quantities to become a staple article of food, instead of merely a luxury, because they can to a very considerable extent be satisfactorily used in a mixed diet to take the place of meat, as they really are very nutritious and valuable as a food element. Even for use as a luxury alone the addition of thousands of acres of nut orchards to our present supply would be found profitable.

The value of the trees themselves may be shown by an actual example. An old farmer in Michigan, half a century ago, who was barely managing to make "both ends meet," had a son with an eye to the future, who, in spite of ridicule, went ahead set out a lot of walnut trees on some rather unproductive low land. The trees were soon yielding a profitable crop each

season, and a few years ago a furniture company bought the entire lot of trees for \$15,000. Without the trees the farm itself was worth scarcely \$5,000—Collier's Weekly.

WHERE THE SOUVENIR POSTALS ARE MADE.

Speaking of Germany, the fact is brought out by the bureau of statistics that that empire is the chief source of all imported paper and paper goods coming to the United States. More than \$7,000,000 out of the \$12,000,000 worth of paper goods used in the United States comes from Germany. The lithographic labels and prints comprise nearly half the total imports along this line, and are valued at about \$5,000,000 per year. On the other hand, American manufacturers have sold paper in foreign markets to the amount of \$80,000,000 during the 10 years past, but in the same period the United States has purchased \$70,000,000 worth of paper and paper goods from manufacturers abroad. Over 50 different countries have made separate enumerations of paper in their official statements of exports and imports, which shows that one of the potential products