

NEARLY ALL SPRING FLOWERS HAVE UNDERGROUND STEMS

Place for Storage of Food Hoarded During Previous Year's Growing Season is Provided by Nature.



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single and double yellow daffodils early in the spring. In fact, these flowers are so hardy that in many localities they have escaped to the hills and wayside pastures, where they grow wild.

Bulbs May Be Taken Up. If space is at a premium, it will be necessary to take the bulbs up after the blooming season and reset them in the fall after the last flowers are out of the beds.

These flowers are very accommodating in the matter of soil, though the strong growing yellow type do best in a clay soil if the drainage is good and there is a little sharp sand mixed with the soil.

PIPPIN'S NARCISSUS

BY SHEERA CHILDS HARRINGTON.

THE person who is not versed in floriculture might think it a little strange, if he noticed it at all, that nearly all of our early spring flowers, both wild and cultivated, have bulbous roots, or what is known to botanists as an underground stem.

It is upon this food stored in the bulb that such flowers as the crocus and daffodil are able to make such a brave showing before the shrubs and perennials have started to put out their leaves.

First of all, we have the snowdrop, which lifts its brave little head by the first of January, even if it must force its way through the snow to put in its appearance.

At certain critical scores, more especially when the rubber is at stake and the adversary if securing the bid will likely reach the coveted goal. It is often well to bid up even though there is little prospect of making good.

Some writers have, therefore, gone to the extreme of advocating that the rubber should never be bid if there is no trump. To give such advice is unsound, but it is nevertheless true that nine out of ten players would be better off if they blindly followed it.

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moved directly after the blooming season, than if they were to remain in place for two or three years. The general rule, however, is 4 inches apart and from 3 to 4 inches deep. In high sandy soil it is best to dig a little deeper than this, though if the planting is too deep it tends to make the blooming season late.

The real name of all this group of flowers is Narcissus after Narcissus, who figured largely in Greek mythology—but common folks call them all daffodils, which is after all as good a name. There are now many varieties and more are being originated. In our country, however, we have not had a daffodil craze such as they have in Holland and England.

Single Yellow in First Place. The old-fashioned single yellow holds first place, perhaps because it is so hardy a variety to bloom and so has come to mark the beginning of spring for us. Then a little later we have the large double yellow, or Van Stone, the Orange Phoenix, which we called the Butter and Eggs when we were children; we gathered huge bunches of them to give to teachers and neighbors.

of course, when it comes to sheer beauty of line and color, the newer varieties would have to be given first place. The choice is very wide, both as to color, as well as to time of blooming. The colors range from a dazzling white through the soft primrose shades to the pure solid yellow. Many of them show a tinge of cream with a yellow trumpet faintly fluted and frilled.

The Poeticus varieties could not be overlooked in the matter of soil, though they are late bloomers, generally appearing in April or May. This type has a large white perianth—often 2 1/2 inches across—with a small yellow or some mingling of brown and red. They are especially delightful for their fragrance.

Jonquils Are Diminutive. The jonquils are a diminutive type which bear more than one exquisitely fragrant flower to the stem; they come in a variety of colors, both single and double. In my opinion the single blooms of all the Narcissus are more to be desired, though there are some beautiful double sorts, but as a rule the double ones have rather a top-heavy appearance, in direct contrast to the airy gracefulness of the single varieties.

For convenience in timing the different varieties so that the garden may show a succession of bloom during the entire season, dealers have numbered the named varieties as to their relative earliness. They run from 1 to 5, beginning in early March and running until May. Dealers also list two sorts of size of flower—single and double heads. The double heads are the large ones which will produce more than one bloom to the stem; they of course come a little higher, but are better if quantities of blooms are wanted immediately. The increase in all these bulbs is undisturbed, is very rapid, and the smaller sizes are just as satisfactory for mass planting.

When making a selection from a catalogue, it is better to buy a number of one variety rather than a promiscuous mixture even of the named varieties. The best of the named varieties is a garden flower only in clumps or masses. In planting strive for a broken, irregular mass rather than the straight line. The straight line is to be avoided as much as possible in all arrangement of flower borders, but it is particularly strained and disagreeing when dealing with such a partner, whose holding was an unknown quantity to him, could come to his aid in one or more of the suits.

second hand may find himself with sufficient strength in one or two suits to warrant the expectation of saving game, if so, he should not bid unless convinced that he bid better than his adversary into a suit declaration with which they may secure game. Even when his strength is a major and he has such strength in the other major that he does not fear that his adversary will shift to a bid he not wise unless he has a partner, whose holding was an unknown quantity to him, could come to his aid in one or more of the suits.

On the other hand, in these days of light no-trumps second hand may have such length and strength in a suit, especially if it be a major, that he may mean game. If his partner have a few high cards, a no bid or not to bid under such conditions is a question for which it is difficult to furnish any general answer; it must be left to the judgment of the player.

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spades the partner would have to furnish three tricks to insure game. A K J 7 2 K 10 8 6 K J 10 8

The hand practically insures seven tricks, and all save players extremely radical on this point would bid "two hearts."

Undoubtedly the player should pass. The hand assures seven tricks, sufficient to defeat the contract by one and get a 50-point penalty. If the partner can turn up one or more of an unusually good penalty score will be secured.

This hand fully justifies the bid of "two diamonds." The hand contains six trump tricks, and no more or more cub tricks. Game is by no means unlikely.

Undoubtedly the better policy is a pass. But six tricks are positively assured and the chance of going game is very slight. The hand may be effective, however, in saving game.

Though I have repeatedly warned players against the bid of a four-card suit, there are few who can resist a four-card suit if it be made up of honors. The honor score, they contend, will more than counterbalance the loss in tricks.

To make a four-card suit, even though made up of honors, entirely sound the hand should contain two outside tricks, rather than one only, and when this is the case three suits are projected. The hand in trumps as a rule is the better bid.

Here, however, is a hand which because of the score, 24 to love in hearts, is estimated to be approximately equal in value to a heart bid no trumps.

The hand in question was held by Z, the dealer. While recognizing that it conformed to the requirements of the fact of the bid, he decided to pass.

It is inconceivable that man should consider himself, in his present stage of mental development, unable to cope with an animal so far below him as is the pocket gopher. Man is not afraid of such a simple problem when he is daily attacking bigger problems. He is daily making warfare on the gopher because he has not yet determined how great an enemy it really is.

The pocket gopher can be brought under control, but it will require co-operation. Farmers will need to work together in the months when sowing or planting is being done—thus preventing the losses that are sure to follow if it is not killed. April and May are little months to do the poisoning. Little ones are either not yet born or are in the nest, where

They do not, however, with the player to run away with the idea that any one could have scored a high game, as the play of the hand will show:

Table with 5 columns: Trick, A, Y, B, Z. Shows card play for 13 tricks.

A, the player to lead, did perfectly right in shifting to clubs as his second lead, both because of his not wishing the dummy to get a ruff with his trump and he would be enabled to ruff. To his disappointment, the declarer, not wishing to lead with the ace of spades and lead with the ace of diamonds.

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INGROWN TOE NAIL TURNS OUT ITSELF

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