THE ONION CROP.

How to Cultivate It and Subdue Its Maggot

Enemies. It is usual to get the onion crop in and it is not unusual to have the seeds | week. or sets planted as early as March. No laborious period is when it is in its first stages of growth. The crop not only recover a mythical English fortune. requires very rich soil, but must be section. The best location for onions | pounds left of him yet. of easy cultivation.

In the North the crop is grown from | houses. seed the first year, the red varieties being preferred, but the gardeners and truckers in this latitude grow their in the rows, and on moderately fertile soil. After the tops die down the sets | convictions!" are stored in thin layers in a cool place to be planted next spring, each and yellow Danvers varieties are considered the best market varieties, bunches from a single seed, is the earliest for table use, but is not now extensively grown. To get them in early is to escape weeds, which entail hand weeding, but as the onion is a gross teeder it delights in any kind of manure and good cultivation. The sets are simply planted in rows, about three inches apart, by lightly sticking them in the ground, though the truckers plant acres of them by covering them completely in the rows, in order to save labor.

The magget is an enemy that gives trouble and is not easily subdued, but where the crop is grown on new beds, instead of on the same location every year, as was formerly the practice, the depredations of the magget have been greatly reduced. The onion bed should receive only fine, well-rotted manure, free from any kind of litter. and well incorporated into the soil, which should be worked over until not a clod can be found, for upon the thorough preparation of the soil depends the yie'd of the crop, which may range anywhere from 100 to 600 bushels per acre, according to the soil and management. The crop is a paying one, as the supply is seldom equal to the demand. - Philodelphia Record.

LENGTH OF ROOTS.

Information That Will in All Probability Surprise Many Farmers.

way?" I can not tell, but judging from creatures." analogy, I should say that in a fine, rich, mellow soil under favorable conlong. The person who pulls up a hill play something for us, Mr. Thumpk? of early potatoes while the tops are Sartainly. I will play any sing Miss case. The same is true of onlons. I Musician. a shower in the night and a stream ran | Manhattan - "I have. I once took a dirt was all washed away and the roots town at the point of a pistol?"-Puck. were left bare, extending unbroken in every direction, and generally remain- English Chop-House' over your door. ing in the place where they grew. In | do you?" Proprietor-"Yah; dot vas the morning when I visited my garden | id-English Ghop-House." "Do you to see the havor that had been caused want any extracts from the bill of fare by the rain. I was surprised, beyond painted in?" "Yah; dot vas von goot measure, to find that onion roots were idea. Baint on de board: Hot Sassage, so long. Some onions that stood neur | Peer, und Limburger Cheese," - Philathe middle of the bed had pushed delphia Record. their roots in both directions to the their roots were extended two feet on all sides. I would not believe it if I had not seen it myself. It is the common opinion that the roots of trees extend about as far out in the ground as the branches project out above it; but the truth is that they extend much farther. I have seen large trees, as well as willows and alders, washed out by a flood in the creek, and in every case the roots were more than twice the length of the branches. The person outside of the bed; in other words, who buys trees from the nurserymen who buys trees from the nurserymen | Truth can be outraged by silence quite a may think he obtains about all the cruelly as by speech. roots with the trees, but he does not get one-half of them. From what f know of other vegetables, I believe that of a man or woman with a skin disthat potatoes of vigorous growth send ease which shows itself in pimpies or out roots three feet in every direction blotches on hands, arms, face and neck? where they are not opposed by some It is simply impure blood. See what impediment, and that if there is richer BRANDRETI'S PILLS did for a chronic soil or manure within four feet of ease where they are planted they will start for that the first thing, and reach it in says a short time. The man who manures one row of potatoes and leaves the next without any manure as an expension of the control of riment, to find out the value of com-mercial fertilizers, makes as great a arms and chest. The doctor termed it ecmistake as the one who put his money being cured, when BRANDRETU'S PILLS into a contribution box, thinking it a savings bank. If you manure one row of potatoes, the next row will stead part of the manure unless you interpart of t pose an impassable barrier of boiler

-Cranberry Dumplings.-Sift together one quart of flour and two and we take one-half teaspoons of baking powder: mix to a soft dough with sweet milk: roll out and spread with one quart of that cranberry sauce; fold over, place in a pudding bag and steam one hour. Serve with sweet sauce.

-Nothing will trip the light fantasin the sidewalk.—Merchant Traveler, a father's, tie with more case than a loose brick

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

-A woman (Mrs. Broadway) has the monopoly of all the bill-posting done in Chicago. She covers 2,000,as soon as the frost leaves the ground, | 000 square feet of bill boards each

-Isaac Jennings, once a prosperous crop demands more careful preparation | merchant of New Jersey, was lately of the soil than the onion, as the most sent to an almshouse, having squandered all his wealth in vain efforts to

-A Mississippian boasts of having kept free from weeds. It is not a had the ague for twenty-seven straight summer crop, as it delights in a cool years with only one break of three season, and the frosts do but little, if weeks. He set out to beat the shakes any, damage to the plants in this at their own game, and there are 150

is a piece of ground that has been | -Old Boxem Brown, of New Mexheavily manured the year previous. A ico, is a coffin peddler. He travels poultry-yard in which large flocks with a big wagon, a team of mules and have been kept answers well, and the about twenty cheap assorted coffins. soil should be mellow, so as to admit He says he knows a hundred men who already have their coffins in their

-When he first became Prime Minister, Disraeli was advised by a friend "always to appoint moderate men to crops from onion sets, which are pro- bishopries." "Moderate men!" echoed duced by sowing the seed very thickly the illustrious statesman, "ah, I see! You want me to appoint men without

-There is a married man in Atlanta who wears eyeglasses with a gold rim. set making a large onion the His wife wears eyeglasses, too, and the second year. The white silver-skin two pairs are just alike. They are the parents of three children—the youngest but the potato onion, which grows in children is near-sighted—so much so being ten years of age, and each of the that they wear eyeglasses too.

-The late Benjamin B. Hotchkiss, of Bridgeport, inventor of the well known quick-firing cannons, now used in the military and naval services of nearly all nations, acquired an immense fortune as the result of his ingenious devices. He left an estate valued at over twelve millions of dollars.

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-"Oh, I do so love music," said the ditions, they grow five or six feet gushing Miss Ringlets. "Won't you green, and shakes off the earth may Ringlets may desire. What shall it suppose he has got nearly all the be?" "Do you know that er—the roots, but such is by no means the Peek-a-Boolanger march?"-American

once had an onion bed on a hill side | -Colonel Steers (of Montana) - It garden, the soil of which was a fine seems to me you New Yorkers are ensandy loam. The bed was about four tirely too uppish and on your dignity. feet wide, the onions about full-grown If you only were out where I live you'd and the tops still green. There came | see what Western hospitality is." Mr. down over the bed until the surface drink with Six-Toed Hank of your

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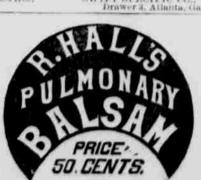
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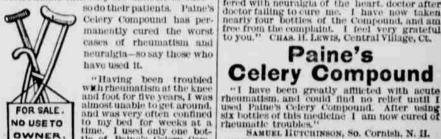
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