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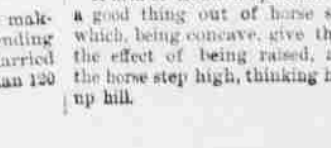
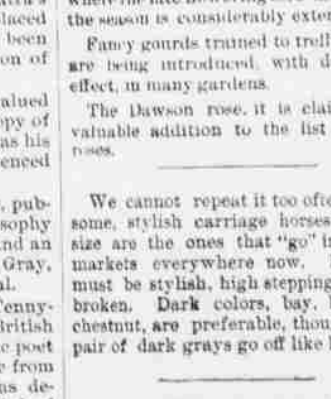
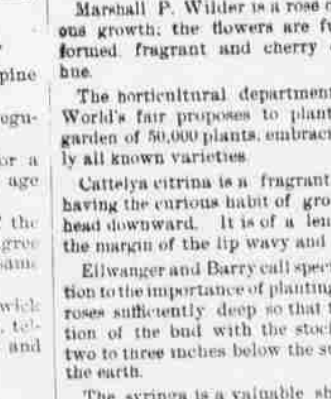
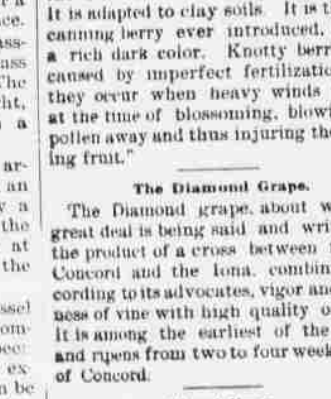
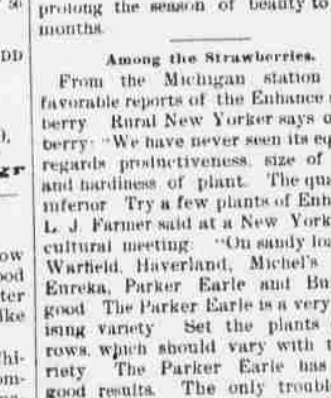
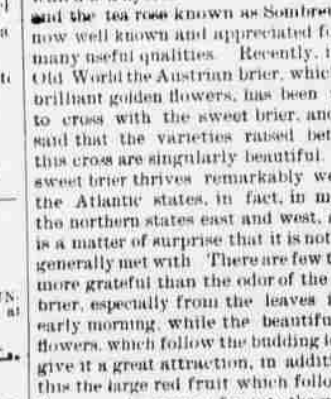
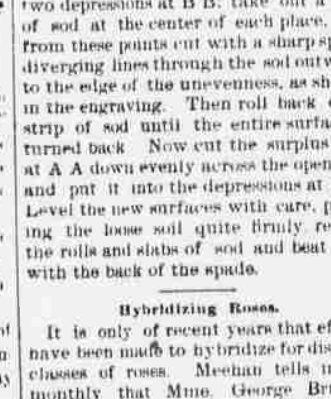
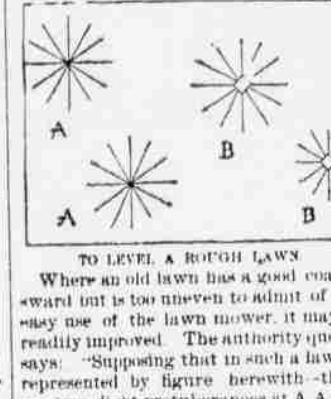
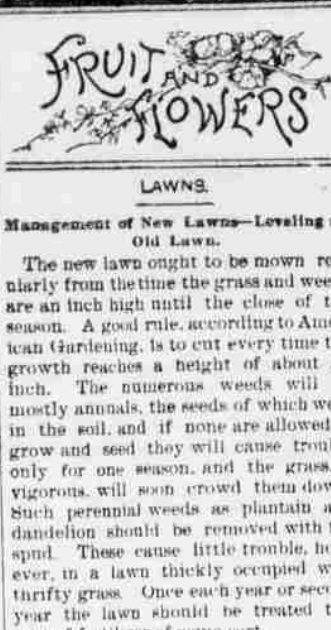
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FRUIT AND FLOWERS. Management of New Lawns—Leveling an Old Lawn. The new lawn ought to be mown regularly from the time the grass weeds are an inch high until the close of the season.

UNEXPLORED AFRICA. A Portion of the Dark Continent Yet Unknown. Unexplored Parts of the Country the Object of Exploring Parties from Various Nations.

AMERICAN WOMEN. ASSOCIATION, Conn., has been given a drinking fountain by Miss Caroline Phelps Stokes, in memory of Ann Sewell, of England, the author of "Black Beauty."

PERSONALITIES. A NORTH CAROLINA man has a clay pipe which he has smoked every day for the last twenty-five years.



There is yet an unexplored and unappropriated section of Africa extending from the source of Stanley's explorations on the Congo northward to Lake Tchaad, says the Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

The French scheme is the most ambitious, and it includes a railroad from Brazzaville on the Congo—in that part of lower Guinea given to the French by the conference that fixed the boundaries of the Free State of the Congo.

Germany's sphere in the Cameroon extends eastward to the fifteenth degree of east longitude, and behind this dark territory appropriated by France reaching to the Mobangi, which is the property of the Congo Free State.

French exploring parties are penetrating this region from the north as well as the south. From the south they have followed the Mobangi river and its branches—one party following the Sangha to about four degrees north latitude; another to the central valley of the Bonza; and a third to the Niger.

Company are looking after their own interests with a view to the countries now granted to France to the south and east of Lake Tchaad. The Shari valley, Bagirmi, and Wadai they will keep in their sphere if they can; the British East African Company will hold on to Darfur, Senegal, and the Niger valley, as it is the south and west of that country as it is able.

A SYLVANIA (Ga.) man, who was not aware of the fact that he was addicted to walking in his sleep, began to miss his clothes on awakening in the morning.

THE DIAMOND GRAPES. The Diamond grape, about which a great deal is being said and written, is the product of a cross between the old Concord and the Iona, containing according to its advocates, vigor and hardiness of plant.

THE FRENCH AND THE HAT. Lately the little sons of the emperor of Germany were shown the mysteries of a cheapeau-liqueur or crush hat.

THE NECESSITY OF GOOD ROADS. The need of improvement in the quality of county roads is so generally felt in every state of the Union that every intelligent effort in that direction is worthy of recognition.

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