

FRUIT AND FLOWERS

CARPET BEDDING.

Unique and Pleasing Arrangement of Flowers on a Terrace.

Formal devices in flower planting, or "carpet bedding," as the professionals term it, seem to be attracting favor again. In this style one may achieve pleasing triumphs or perpetrate glaring atrocities. Fanciful devices when pushed to the extreme are rather a dangerous experiment for the average amateur, but when presided over by good taste and good sense this form of flower gardening may be not only very handsome and uniquely attractive in its results, but it affords the gardener



A FLORAL STAIN CARPET.

a most interesting field of thought and work. As good an authority in floral matters as Eben E. Rexford presents the pleasing example shown in the cut through the Ladies' World. This shows a flight of steps running up a garden terrace with alternantheras in three colors on each side. There is a narrow strip of dark red, a wide band of light red, then another narrow band of red and an outside border of a green and yellow variety.

The beds are kept closely sheared, but the outside row is allowed to grow to some height. This has much of the effect of the frame in a picture, serving to emphasize the brighter colors and separate them distinctly from the green of the grass.

The alternanthera is a low growing plant which florists propagate extensively in spring for carpet bedding. It is of compact habit and if kept well trimmed soon forms a thick, velvety mass of foliage which gives a solid color effect such as few other plants can produce.

Plants should be set quite close together—not more than three inches apart—and they should not be allowed to get more than that many inches high.

There are several varieties—light red, pink, dark red, yellow and yellow green—all of which are pretty, but the clear reds and delicate, soft pinks are most effective in work of this kind.

A Little Chrysanthemum Calendar.

- January—
- February—Keep plants in cellar slightly moist.
- March—
- April—Divide old roots and start new plants in living rooms.
- May—Plant pots in ground in sunny spot. In rich, well pulverized soil. Give plenty of water.
- June—Continue water diet.
- July—Begin feeding liquid manure.
- August—Remove all but a few branches. Repot.
- September—Appearance of flower buds. Remove all but two or three on each branch.
- October—Flowering season. During September and October protect plants from sun during heat of day.
- November—Remove plants to house.
- December—Cut back nearly to roots, placing plants in cellar.—Ladies' Home Journal

Bordeaux in the Dust Spray.

In the dust spray the bordeaux mixture is formed as follows: The fine dust is mixed with powdered sulphate of copper and is blown upon the trees while the dew is on, which is best, as the moisture of the dew forms the bordeaux mixture, or the moisture of the dew of the following days accomplish the same end.

FRUIT AND FLOWER NOTES

Any one who has a lawn or garden needs a roller.

The spring beauty claytonia, whose praises have been sung by so many poets of nature, carpets wide areas of damp woodlands through April days.

A lover of fine roses says most people prune too early, but not hard enough.

In spraying Concord grapes at the Delaware experiment station two sprayings of bordeaux mixture increased the yield approximately 100 per cent.

Flancee, the famous new carnation, holds its pretty pink head high above all competitors, having taken the Lawson medal over the \$30,000 Lawson carnation fests.

Enchantress is one of those carnations whose exquisite coloring should not be exposed to the bleaching power of a very hot sun.

Start the tuberous begonias and gladioli now.

According to a New York exchange, two dozen of the much talked about seedling apples grown at Grand Junction, Colo., have arrived in New York.

The banana apple is ordinarily of a bright golden yellow hue and is said to have a pronounced banana flavor.

CAREFUL OF THE FIRE.

The Stinky Hotel Keepers of Spain and Southern Italy.

In the smaller hotels of southern Italy and of Spain, writes Mr. Hart in "Two Argonauts in Spain," the unfortunate tourists slowly freeze. The landlords display a touching solicitude about the stove. On days when fire is really needed to keep the guests warm they sometimes spend half their time trying to keep the servants from putting too much fuel on the fire.

To prevent Americans and other pyromaniacs from meddling with the fuel they often keep the coal bin locked. It is a touching spectacle to see a group of Americans shivering round a little stove; to see the servant enter, take out a key, unlock the coal bin, put two or three spoonfuls of coal in the stove and then lock the bin again; to see the ghastly eyes of a Granadan landlord fastened on him from the office; then to see the hapless Americans slip back into their overcoat collars and wish they were back home.

In an instance of the desperation to which these cold hotels drive people I once in a Levantine hotel saw an elderly aptner seat herself in front of the stove in the men's smoking room, with her hair down, while an elderly female friend gave her a dry shampoo.

To the suggestion of the scandalized servants that she should finish this intimate toilet operation in her own room she replied briefly that she had found the only warm place in the hotel and proposed to finish the shampoo there, which she did.

DREADFUL POISONS.

The Fumes of Mercury Methide Will Produce Incurable Idiotcy.

"The more dreadful poisons," said a chemist, "are only known to a few men. Mercury methide, for instance, the inhalation of whose fumes produces incurable idiotcy, can be manufactured by two Italians and by no one else in the world."

"Dhatocra is a poison used in India. It, too, produces incurable idiotcy. A British army officer told me of a sad case—a case of two rival tailors, one of whom gave the other a small dose of dhatocra. The victim of the drug remained an idiot all the rest of his life. He sat and moved his empty hands as though he were sewing. He was a formidable rival no longer."

"Mercurian produces a melancholy so great as to terminate nearly always in suicide. No government would permit the manufacture and sale of this poison."

"Dhatocra, mercury methide, mercurian and some twenty other poisons are neither made nor sold in any public way. They are only experimented with. Such poisons would be formidable weapons in unscrupulous hands. Driving their victims to suicide or to insanity, they leave behind them nothing suspicious or untoward. The giver of these poisons is secure from any fear of punishment."

"Hence it is no wonder, is it, that the learned men who know such poisons keep their knowledge to themselves."—Chicago Chronicle.

A Bit of Sicily.

"There is no Italian town more picturesque than the Sicilian capital, Palermo," writes a traveler. "In its port crowded the queerest coasting craft I have ever set eyes on. Sailing ships of all rigs, their hulls painted all the colors of the rainbow, nose up against the quay, where mule carts, whose drivers are shouting at the top of their voices, wait to take away the merchandise. The narrow street where the custom house officers examine the goods brought ashore is a place of terrible noise. When a driver, two clerks and two custom house officers are discussing the contents of a bale or a cask it seems as though murder must be committed within the next few seconds. But somebody signs something, the cart moves on, and everybody laughs."

Value of Decayed Forests.

The decayed vegetation of forests has furnished to the fields their present fertility, upon which man depends for food. In the tree growth of virgin woods and in the floor of rotted foliage beneath are stored the accumulations of centuries. Nature does not care whether this growth is useful to the human race or not. It is left for us to encourage the growth of such trees as we find valuable to the exclusion of others. Thus an economical use is made of the resources at hand, and a new conception of the forest arises. The forest primeval becomes "woodlands," while the new "forest" includes only cultivated woods.

The Palindrome.

A palindrome is a line or phrase that reads the same backward as forward. The Latin language is full of such linguistic freaks; the English has but few. One at least is inimitable. It represents our first parent politely introducing himself to Eve in these words: "Madam, I'm Adam."

"From the Latin we have, 'Roma tibi subito motibus ibit amor' (Rome, love will come to you suddenly with violence).

Terms.

"Now, me good man," said the pompous stranger who had signed "Viscount Hardcastle, London," on the register, "what are your terms here?"

"Cash in advance," replied the shrewd hotel clerk promptly.—Des Moines News.

He'd Square the Circle.

"I understand that you are a geometrician. Can you square the circle?"

"Yes, if I had a couple of thousand dollars I could square my circle of creditors."—Dallas News.

The Rural Telephone.

Neighbors not so far from here. Put in telephones last year. Farmers built a rural line—Instruments all "talked up fine." All you had to do was ring—Every bell went ting-a-ling: One for Central, two for Boggs, Short and long call for old Scroggs.

Every neighbor had his call. Twist the crank and that was all. Mighty nice when work was thro'. To gossip for an hour two. With your neighbors one by one. Mighty nice—but lots of fun. When you he, and some other two. Telling what was not for you.

Every time the signal rang. To the 'phone each farmer sprang. Slyly grinned, and softly took. Each receiver from its hook. Other people's secrets, dear. Poured into his large red ear. How he slapped his legs—"I swan. Telephoning is lots of fun."

Somehow in a year or two. Troubles dark began to brew. Farmer Jones got fighting hot. Heard Scroggs calling him a sot. Farmer Scroggs seemed angry, too. Heard Smith telling what he knew. Smith heard Abel telling lies. Paid him off with two black eyes.

Abel heard young Isaac Boggs. Underbid him on his hoggs. Boggs o'er heard a sneaking churl. Making love to his best girl. Women, too, were in the muss. Raised a most tremendous fuss. Every one from Scroggs to Jones. In glass houses throwing stones.

Now the line has silent grown. Wires rusted, poles o'erthrown. Twenty friends are deadly foes. Each one full of griefs and woes. Each too mad to speak a word. 'Cause of things he'd overheard.—Exchange.

"Five Hundred Dollars Reward."

The Southern Pacific Company will pay Five Hundred Dollars reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any one of the persons who maliciously placed ties on track at private road crossing two miles east of Albany, April 2nd 1905.

J. P. O'BRIEN,

General Superintendent.

Approved,
B. A. WORTHINGTON,
General Manager.

CHATEAUBRIAND IN LONDON.

A Picture of the English Capital of a Century Ago.

"All the English are mad by nature of by fashion," Chateaubriand writes nonchalantly in the book of his embassy in London (1821), but he had a very gay time with the same lunatics. We hear of dinners, Almacks and le beau monde. "The day was thus distributed in London: At 6 o'clock in the morning one hastened to a party of pleasure, consisting of a breakfast in the country; one returned to lunch in London; one changed one's dress to walk to Bond street or Hyde park; one dressed again to dine at 7:30; one dressed again for the opera; at midnight one dressed once more for an evening party or rout. What a life of enchantments! I should a hundred times have preferred the galleries." One smiles and reads on. He found London full of recollections of Bonaparte. The people had passed from the veneration of "Nick" to a stupid enthusiasm. His colossal bust by Canova decorated the Duke of Wellington's staircase.

At an evening party at Lord Londonderry's, the English premier, "I was presented by his majesty to a severe looking lady seventy-three years old. She was dressed in ermine, wore a black veil like a diadem on her white hair and resembled a queen who had abdicated her throne. She greeted me in a solemn voice with three mangled sentences from the 'Genie du Christianisme'; then she said to me, with no less solemnity, 'I am Lady Macbeth.' I should have believed her."—John J. A. Beckel in Catholic Quarterly Review.

Charity of Former Kings.

Henry II. sought peace for his soul after the murder of Becket by feeding and sustaining 10,000 people daily, a proceeding that must have made many a man rejoice in the fall of the "prond prelate." Quintessence of all, though, was the charity of Henry III., who commanded that "in the great hall at Windsor, at a good fire, all the poor and needy children that could be found were to be fed, according to the weight and measure of the king's children," a queer variant of the more modern system of distributing the Maudslayi money. It is to be feared that nowadays, says the London Chronicle, the amount of food equivalent to "the weight and measure of the king's children" would not go far in relieving "all the poor and needy children that could be found."

Time and Books.

The economy of saving time is wise, but there is an economy of spending time. In reading, especially, hurry is most wasteful. Reading is the making of thoughts—of ideas, of pictures in the brain. All young photographers know how little is to be made out of an "underexposed plate," but do they understand that there may be such a thing as an underexposed brain? It takes time to make impressions on the mind. If you read too fast, either aloud or to yourself, or skim over your reading, the mind receives poor impressions or none at all.—St. Nicholas.

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Two inches of snow fell in Sumpter Saturday and Sunday.

A VISIT TO DR DARRIN

(Albany Herald, 1903.)

Mr. A. G. Byers, of Independence, Ore., visited Albany last week to bring the doctor a patient for his wonderful treatment for deafness. To a reporter he stated that he had been almost totally deaf from his youth and that in May of 1902 he applied to the doctor while in Salem. In three months he was perfectly and permanently cured, and that he had no return of the malady since. We tested him in a whisper, and without hesitation he answered all questions. Below we give his sworn statement, published last year in the Salem Journal:

HOW YOUNG MR BYERS RECOVERED HIS HEARING.

Salem Journal.

Mr. A. J. Byers, of Independence, Or., accompanied by his son, A. G. Byers, called at the Journal office this afternoon and made a statement relative to the condition of the younger man. He had been deaf from his infancy, and later the difficulty gradually increased to such an extent that he was almost totally deaf. Two months ago the young man came to Dr. Darrin for treatment, and today called at the Journal office to state that he could hear as well as anybody. The reporter talked to him in a low voice and was convinced that his hearing was as good as the best. This remarkable cure of necessity makes the young man feel happy, and his father is more than pleased. Their purpose in coming to the Journal office was to make a statement to the public concerning the wonderful cure.

A. G. BYERS.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, E. Hofer, a notary public, in Salem, Oregon, this 10th day of May, 1902.
(Seal) E. HOFER,
Notary Public for Oregon

BYERS' CONDITION TWO YEARS LATER.

"Dr. Darrin: My hearing is all right yet, and has been ever since being cured by you last year. There is no sign of deafness now, and can be referred to by letter or in person at Independence, Oregon."

A HAPPY MAN

The following is an extract from a card from Mr. Austin, of Portland, telling how his wife was cured of total blindness:

"I wish to make known what Dr. Darrin has done for my family. Eight years ago my wife was totally blind from what was called 'nervous abhorrence of light.' In that condition she visited him, and was cured, so she could see as well as ever in her life. I know of hundreds who have been as miraculously cured. I am employed on the O. R. & N. Railroad, and can be referred to at any time. I most earnestly recommend the afflicted from whatsoever cause to consult Dr. Darrin."

"W. 'STUB' AUSTIN."

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Dr. Darrin can be consulted free at the Hotel Smeede, Eugene, Or., until July 1st, from 10 to 5 o'clock daily; evening, 7 to 8; Sunday 2 to 4 p. m.

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One fare for the round trip party moving on same day, but individual tickets will be sold under this rate and can return at any time within ten days from date of sale \$4.40.

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Notice is hereby given that I have been appointed by the County Court for Lane County State of Oregon, administrator of the estate of Lena Becker, alias Eva Davenport. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me duly verified on or before six months from the date of this notice.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 1905
WM. LANDERS
Administrator of the estate of Lena Becker alias Eva Davenport.
WOODCOCK & POTTER Attorneys.

Something for Your Eastern Friends.

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