WINTERING PLANTS IN CELLARS.

Transforming a Cellarway Into a Plant Pit—Keeping Large Plants Dormant.

Amateurs who have neither greenhouses or regular plant pits are applied to resort to various devices for safely wintering their flowers without the use of

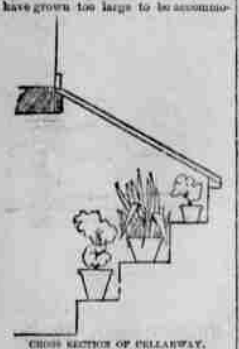
CELLARWAY AS A PLANT PIT.

appliances. A correspondent contributes to American Gardening a description and sketches of an ingenious plan for utilizing an outdoor cellarway as a plant pit.

The ordinary outside cellarway is almost invariably made to face the south, and is thus in the right situation. All that is needed is to substitute glass for the wooden doors, and make everything snug and tight, banking with earth if thought necessary.

The inner cellar door is left open and danger from freezing is thus avoided. The cellar steps serve as plant shelves.

Many plants, such as century plants, oleanders, large cactuses, etc., that have grown too large to be accommodated in the sitting room or conservatory, can be wintered in any moderately dry, frostproof cellar. After placing these large plants in the cellar it will not be necessary to give them any water, the object being to keep them dormant all winter, which can be done by keeping the soil dry, but not so dry as to allow the plants to shrivel or become withered. Large geraniums, salvia and heliotrope rooms from too severe cutting. It is true that shrubs severely pruned in the spring often survive the heroic treatment, as a new growth soon follows the depletion. I believe, however, that severe pruning is unnecessary, and in my own limited operations a general cutting at long intervals has been successfully replaced by frequently cutting out with a sharp knife—always conveniently on hand—branches or shoots here and there as soon as these appear to the eye to be out of place."



CROSS SECTION OF CELLARWAY.

The Aurotum Lily.

It should be well understood, says Vick, that the gold banded lily is a fickle plant. It is never long lived, and is frequently disappointing. Nevertheless it is a plant of such great beauty that it is worth many trials to finally succeed with it. It may be raised in a pot in the house altogether. In planting out it should be placed in a deep, well drained soil, setting it eight or ten inches deep, and covering it well with leaves in autumn for winter protection. A site partly shaded, or shaded during the warmest part of the day, is desirable. Dig in fresh manure into the soil where it is planted.

Protecting Half Hardy Plants.

Half hardy plants are the ones most liable to injury, for these plants known to be tender are carefully protected when not lifted and transferred to greenhouse or window garden. Professor Massey, of the North Carolina experiment station, has tried with success covering half hardy plants with mounds of perfectly dry sawdust and then topping them with waterproof shelters similar to the hay caps now used.

Grapes at the New York Station.

The New York experiment station finds that the Boiler wood strawberry leads in productiveness. The berries are not of the largest, but laid to a good market size throughout the picking season. It begins to ripen June 17. The length of the picking season was eighteen days. Michel's early began to ripen June 19—two days earlier. The length of the picking season was but seven days.

A man with a fat stomach does not look well in a street parade.

There is always consolation. If the cotton crop is as thin as it promises to be, then it will bring a better price than it did last year.

What would fill the great Columbus with most admiration and astonishment if he could behold the achievements of the Nineteenth century would undoubtedly be the great ocean steamships, over 500 feet long, carrying 2,000 people and rushing over the water like a whirlwind. His own flagship, the Santa Maria, was only ninety feet long.

A Child's Way of Putting It.

The way children interpret the king's English is somewhat startling and often inconvenient, to say the least.

A little Buffalo boy went on an errand for his mother the other day and met a young lady who gave him a verbal message to carry back with him. "Miss Mary told me to tell mamie that she will go with her to the party to the academy tomorrow night." The message was pure Greek to mamma, and only after a deal of thought could mamie sift out the true meaning, but she finally explored it down to a wedding at which she was to be the guest, and was to go with Miss Mary.—Buffalo News.

Catching Rabbits with Clubs.

This is the way they catch rabbits in the upper peninsula of Michigan. The hunter goes out just at dusk and builds a large fire at the edge of a cedar swamp, then retires. The rabbits seeing the light are attracted in large numbers. Finding the fire warm and agreeable they sit around until the fire burns out. The snow, being warm and muffled, freezes rapidly, and very soon the rabbits find themselves frozen fast. In the morning the hunter comes armed with a club and knocks them on the head.—Cor. Forest and Stream.

The Most Popular Neckties.

The four-in-hand is the favorite scarf of the legion of well to do men the country over. There is a feeling for wider goods in this staple style, and a demand for the wide aproned species tied in a smaller knot and spread out amply over the shirt front. The graduated four-in-hand is an innovation of recent date that may be formed into many individualistic knottings.—Clothier and Furnisher.

We always said so. A gentleman who has just been seeking the tour of a considerable part of the United States says the American national vice is spitting. The habit is wholly unnecessary—as unnecessary as it is resulting to every school person. It is injurious besides. The constant drain made on the system by the forced and unnatural action of the salivary glands cannot be otherwise than weakening. If the great American spitter knew the sulphurous, effluvium that are heaped upon him by the antispitters whenever his loathsome presence crosses their sight and hearing, he would be absolutely scared. Stop it!

Chief Justice Paxson, of Pennsylvania, in his charge to the grand jury in the case of the Homestead rioters, defined clearly what constitutes treason against a state of the Union, not against the United States. He began first by declaring that the Homestead strikers were guilty of unlawful violence when they refused to permit the men to land whom the Carnegie company had hired to protect their property. "It cannot be tolerated for a moment that one laborer shall say to another laborer, 'You shall not work for this man for that wage without my consent,' and then enforce such command by brutal violence upon his person." Following is the definition of what treason against a state is: "When a large number of men arm and organize themselves by divisions and companies, appoint officers and engage in a common purpose to defy the law, to resist its officers and to deprive any portion of their fellow citizens of the rights to which they are entitled under the constitution and laws, it is a levying of war against the state, and the offense is treason."

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