

ALASKA CLOVER.—As I have had some experience in raising this valuable variety of clover, I thought I would make a few statements of fact concerning it. It is of benefit to the farmers of Maine especially now, when all other grasses are in so poor condition and there is so much more ground to seed this spring than common. I have thirty acres needed to Alaska, and have cut it for hay, saved it for seed, and pastured it for five years. I commenced with one-half acre the first year, sowed on a moist piece of land bordering on a cedar swamp. I raised one hundred and twenty-five pounds of seed the first year; the second year I cut one and one-half tons of hay on the same ground and seed one hundred and sixty-five pounds of seed. I have saved the seed four years in succession from this one-half acre, and last season the clover was as thick on the ground as it was at the first. For hay, all kinds of stock prefer it to any other. My next stock, which are all thoroughbred Durhams, (and I don't starve them) have eaten a large part of the straw this winter, after the good red clover and timothy hay well cured. The stalk remains green after the seed is ripe, and does not lose so much as other clovers. It is not cut in summer, it grows, and comes to maturity earlier, consequently it is not so much affected by drought. One acre I consider worth as much as one and a half of any other pasture ground I ever had. My stock last season would leave good feed in the other part of my pasture and graze on the Alaska as long as they could get a bite. It grows nearly as long as our Aroostook or Pea vine clover, and the stalk, leaves and heads, do not break off and lose in curing as much as red clover. The roots run very deep in the ground, which prevents the frost throwing them out and winter killing. The difference in expense of seedling with Alaska is but a trifle; as one pound will seed as much as two and a half of red clover, and the seed is much finer. It wants to be sown after the grain is harvested in, and then the ground rolled or tamped, so the seed will get in. I have used twelve and a half pounds of clover, and four quarts of timothy and get a thicker set of grass. There will be large quantities of seed sown this spring in this vicinity, by farmers who have seen my success in raising it. There is no humbug about it, and farmers need not be afraid of it. It is a success as far as I can learn, wherever it has been cultivated both North and South. —Cor. McFarmer.

HEDGES.—The editor of the *Gardener's Monthly* says that the honey locust is an admirable hedge plant for cold climates, and is far better than any other plant where the soil is poor and thin. There is one great advantage which it possesses over other plants. The orange orange, for instance, has thorns on its young growth, and that is the end of them; but thorns come out of the old wood of the locust, and continue to come out year after year, branching and growing simply as thorns, and nothing will dare go through a hedge of this plant, even although there should be a tolerably large gap invitingly open.

CARE OF HORSES.—The *London Horse-Boots* says: All horses must not be fed in the same proportion, without regard to their ages, their constitutions, and work; because the impropriety of such a practice is self-evident. Yet it is constantly done, and is the basis of disease of every kind.

Never use bad hay on account of its cheapness, because there is no proper nourishment in it. Damaged corn (grain) is exceedingly injurious because it brings on inflammation of the bowels and skin diseases.

Chaff is better for old horses than hay, because they can chew and digest it better. Mix chaff with corn (grain) or (horse) beans, and do not give the latter alone, because it makes the horse chew his food more and digest it better.

Hay or grain alone will not support a horse under hard work, because there is not sufficient nutritive body in either.

When a horse is worked hard his food should chiefly be oats; if not worked hard his food should chiefly be hay, because oats supply more nourishment and flesh-making material than any other kind of food; hay not so much.

Rack feeding is wasteful. The better plan is to feed with chopped hay, from a manger, because the food is not then thrown out, and is more easily chewed and digested.

Sprinkle the hay with water that has salt dissolved in it, because it is pleasing to the animal, and the hay is easily digested. A teaspoonful of salt in a bucket of water is sufficient.

Oats should be bruised for an old horse, but not for a young one, because the former, through age and defective teeth, cannot chew them properly; the young horse can do so, and they are thus properly mixed with the saliva, and turned into wholesome nutriment.

HELP THE BEST PLANTS.—Every meadow, every pasture is a battlefield where plants of different kinds are fighting for their chances. Supply your true friends with what they want freely, and they will overcome the opponents without further assistance. The washing down by rain from hilly, stony pastures of soluble mineral substances takes subsistence from the plants we desire to encourage. Spread rich soil, guano, wood ashes upon a peaty, swampy tract, where you never before saw white clover or useful grasses, and suddenly they will make their appearance without even being sown. They have been there before, waiting only for a better chance, but you could not see them, for they were overruled by coarser plants, and powerless from starvation.

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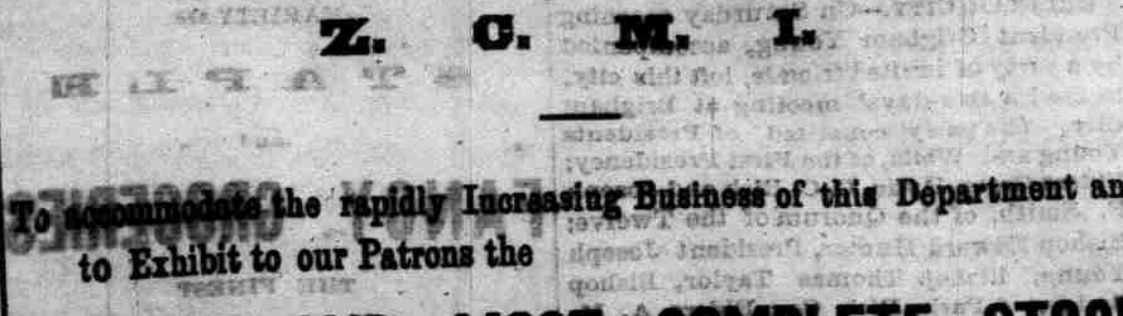
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