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The _____Food_____ may be justly called one of the _____Adjective_____ articles the farmer raises. There are many different varieties of this vegetable, but we think none is equal to the old-fashioned, yellow, field _____Food_____, for yield and goodness. For producing rich milk, it is one of the very best articles that can be given cows. Fed raw to hogs, they are useful by increasing the appetite.

We have been in the habit of raising _____Adjective_____ large crops of _____Food_____. They like a rich, worm soil, with plenty of stable manure to feed on, and will stand drouth as any crop. But there are some difficulties to be overcome in getting the crop up and out of the way of insects, (bugs, &c.) After the _____Adjective_____ plants are up, and the danger from frosts is past, then comes the "tug of war" with the bugs. The _____Adjective_____ striped bugs come in swarms, and will in a short time, if left to themselves, destroy the crop. But in this case, " prevention is better than cure," and to prevent their attacks we sprinkle the plants, as soon as up, "with _____Noun_____," and find the "varmits" do not like to meddle with anything that is whited with this substance. In case the _____Noun_____ is washed off by rain, we sprinkle again, and continue to do so as often as necessary till the plants are out of the way of these "pestiferous critters." If _____Noun_____ spring up, pull them out by hand, or cut them out with a hoe. At harvest, the _____Food_____ vines could not have been much over an acre, yet we gathered from it six large cart-bodies heaping full.

Now if any of your readers can tell a _____Adjective_____ _____Food_____ story than this, which, by the way, is no less true than tough, I shall be glad to hear it. L.D.

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