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THE VIEWS presented in this booklet of Leeds Manor Orchards are characteristic of the orchards in this highly scientific apple orchard community in course of construction at Leeds Manor, Virginia.

Old Virginia

The roses nowhere bloom so white
As in Virginia;
The sun nowhere shines so bright
As in Virginia;
The birds sing nowhere quite so sweet
And nowhere hearts so lightly beat
For Heaven and earth both seem to meet
Down in Virginia.

The days are never so long
As in Virginia;
Nor quite so filled with happy song
As in Virginia;
And when my time has come to die
Just take me back and let me lie
Close where the James goes rolling by
Down in Virginia.

There is nowhere a land so fair
As in Virginia;
So full of song, so free of care
As in Virginia;
And I believe that Happy Land
The Lord's prepared for mortal man
Is built exactly on the plan
Of Old Virginia.

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Leeds Manor Orchards look-
ing northward from the crest
of First-View Hill on the
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"The Rectory"

LEEDS MANOR

Residence of Gilbank Twigg, Esquire

Whose absolute belief in the future of the apple industry, operated under scientific methods, has made possible the model orchards of Leeds Manor, assuring to Virginia an apple orchard community not excelled in extent and efficiency, nor surpassed in the quality of its fruit, by the far-famed orchards of the West

An aged Seedling Apple Tree on Leeds Manor Estate. This tree, in a practically wild condition, produces a crop of apples year after year.

An interesting reminder of early Virginia days, frequently
seen on the road between Leeds Manor
Orchards and Markham

A Bearing Apple Orchard on the road to Leeds Manor

Clearing land at Leeds Manor for the planting of
Commercial Apple Trees

DELICIOUS

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HE DEVELOPMENT of this variety marks the highest attainment in the science of pomology.

Lurther Burbank says: "It is a gem—the finest apple in all the world."

It is a large apple. Its color is a rich and dark red, blending with golden yellow in such artistic combination as to remind one of a beautiful sunset. In shape it is symmetrically conical. One of its peculiar physical characteristics is that at the blossom end or at the calyx it has five little knobs or protuberances which readily distinguish it from other varieties of commercial apples.

Physicians find in the Delicious an apple that may be enjoyed without unpleasant results by persons to whom the acidity of the ordinary apple is not agreeable.

The late Jesse Hiatt, Esquire, originator of this wonderful apple, stated: "This variety is one of the strongest, hardiest and most vigorous growers. The tree bears annually, yielding large quantities of beautiful and luscious fruit. This apple has a delicious fragrance and has a peculiar quality that cannot be surpassed or described."

A prominent authority on the growing of commercial apples pays this tribute to the Delicious:

"The flesh is fine, tender and firm, and flowing over with rich, highly flavored syrupy juice; its fragrant aroma will fill a whole room. It is of large size, attractive appearance, unique shape, long, tapering, with five distinct knobs at the blossom end. Its smooth, strong skin makes it a great shipper.

"Bruises dry up without rotting. Fruit dealers especially like the Delicious because it will stand lots of handling. The tree is a strong grower, very hardy and productive, often bears when others fail, and brings more money than other apples regardless of prevailing prices for the season. It has a flavor and richness which is different from that of all other apples."

The hilltop orchards of Prof. A. W. Spanhooft, of Washington, D. C., and Dr. William E. Bruner, of Cleveland, Ohio,
at Leeds Manor. September, 1914

Looking westward from the Leeds Manor Orchard of
Mr. E. S. Carmick, of New York City

One of the work camps at Leeds Manor

BLACK BEN

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HIS APPLE is the athlete of commercial apples.

It will stand harder handling, rougher treatment and more long distance shipping than any other commercial apple.

It is a strong, hardy and thrifty variety and a resister of drought. This variety is vigorous and it succeeds over a larger territory than other varieties from which it is descended.

It is a handsome apple, large, solid, and its color is a deep, dark red, which takes on a brilliant polish.

Its wonderful beauty never fails to attract attention, and as a profit maker it is always a success. It is always quoted at high prices. It is especially adapted for fancy fruit stand sale, where it is a prime favorite.

It is a splendid keeper, either in a common cellar or in cold storage.

It is especially adapted to the conditions that exist at Leeds Manor.

A view from the Leeds Manor Orchards of Mrs. Sarah Ware Smith,
Washington, D. C.

The Leeds Manor Orchards of Mrs. Sarah Ware Smith, Washington, D. C.
(Taken at a distance, September, 1914)

LEEDS MANOR ORCHARDS,

Taken at an elevation of 2000 feet

MARKHAM, VIRGINIA

A Sweeping Stretch of Scenic Splendor

A neglected Apple Tree in a Farm Orchard striving to do
its duty

This splendid 2-year-old commercial Apple Tree is in an
orchard at Leeds Manor owned by a prominent
citizen of Cleveland, Ohio
September, 1914

Looking northward from, and
showing part of, the Leeds
Manor Orchards of Mr. Frank H.
Edmonds, of Washington, D. C.,
Mrs. Ella L. Manville, Albany,
New York, and of A. G. New-
comb, Esquire, Cleveland, Ohio

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KING DAVID

KING DAVID

HIS VARIETY has been selected on account of its striking appearance, which commands instant attention, and because it always brings high prices in the markets.

It is a large, well-shaped apple of a deep red color and has stripes of a darker red, and has the appearance at maturity of the Jonathan and Arkansas Black.

This variety originated in Northeastern Arkansas and the tree bore fruit its third year. When it was eight years old, it bore its fifth successive crop of nearly three bushels of beautiful and highly flavored apples.

In general appearance the tree resembles the Jonathan. It is a sturdy and dependable producer. It is highly flavored and possesses all other requisites of a marketable and highly commercial apple. It is a prolific and annual bearer, yielding a crop as early as four years after planting, and often produces a number of apples when two years planted. It is a good keeper and shipper, and well adapted to the soil and climatic conditions of Leeds Manor.

Leeds Manor Orchards of Dr. George K. Upson, Cleveland, Ohio

The Leeds Manor Orchards of A. G. Newcomb, Esquire, of Cleveland, Ohio
September, 1914

A view of part of the Leeds Manor Orchards of Colonel C.
S. Bromwell, United States Army, Washington, D. C.
September, 1914

Leeds Manor Orchards of Mr. F. W. Bruch, of Cleveland, Ohio
September, 1914

Orchard at Leeds Manor owned by a resident of
New York City

A view of the Leeds Manor Orchards of Mr. F. H. Edmonds,
of Washington, D. C. In the distance on the left
is the orchard of Mr. T. S. Vaughan, of
Cleveland, Ohio

STAYMAN WINESAP

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HE STAYMAN WINESAP originated in Kansas with the late Doctor J. Stayman, and is a seedling of the Winesap. The color is a dark, rich red, indistinctly striped, but in specimens less highly colored, the striping is more pronounced.

The tree is a stronger grower than the Winesap, a resister of drought, and will thrive on thin soil on which the old Winesap would soon starve. It is a more regular bearer than the Winesap, hangs longer and keeps as well, and in quality is far superior. The flesh is firm, very fine grained, crisp and exceedingly juicy, rich and tender; the quality the best.

Doctor J. H. Funk, of Boyertown, Pa., owner of one of the largest specialty orchards in that State, and an acknowledged authority says:

“The Stayman Winesap possesses more valuable points than any one apple with which I am acquainted. It has never been known to fail in giving a crop of fruit which sells for the highest price in any market. The tree is a very vigorous grower and bears very young, frequently at three years’ transplanting. One of the good points of great value it possesses is hanging to the tree until winter; picking never hurries you. I have kept specimens of this apple until June without cold storage.”

The Stayman Winesap is peculiarly adapted to the climatic and soil conditions of Virginia, where it attains its fullest perfection.

A view of part of the trees on the orchards of Mrs. Bernard Miller,
of Cleveland, Ohio
September, 1914

Fancy breeding stock on the estate of the Hon. C. E. Strothers
on the road to Leeds Manor Orchards

There are a thousand trees like this—and better—in a hillside orchard adjoining Leeds Manor

Leeds Manor Orchards of R. J. Straeten, Surgeon United
States Navy, Washington, D. C.

2,000 Feet Altitude

A view from Leeds Manor Orchards of Mr. Joseph C. Hoffman,
Cleveland, Ohio
September, 1914

Fine specimen of a low-headed, open-centre apple tree of
the Stayman Winesap variety, two and one-
half years after planting—Leeds
Manor Orchards

A typical orchard at Leeds Manor

A specimen of the rapidly disappearing farm orchard apple tree

“The product of a single tree will sometimes sell for \$10.00 or more, and fifty such trees can be grown on an acre of land. Though we may not always count on such large results, we may safely expect the orchard to do its full duty one year with another, especially if we first do our duty by it.”

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