

SOWING SEED IN THE HOME GARDEN



Seed sowing is an important operation; for small seeds the soil should be worked down to a very fine tilth and should be firmed. Upper left—The back of the rake pressed into the soil makes a drill of even depth. Upper right—Small seeds should be sown thinly and evenly along the drill. Middle left—Larger seeds require a deeper, square-sided drill, which should be drawn to an even depth. The seed may be scattered evenly or be placed in rows along the drill. Middle right—Small seeds should be covered by drawing the rake parallel with the drill, and the soil should be firmed gently over them with the back of the rake. At right—Planting potatoes in a trench 4in. deep and drawing the soil evenly from each side to form a ridge over the tubers.