



Hickory N.C.

Oct. 8, 1912

February 1<sup>st</sup>. I joined the girls canning & poultry club, in regard to do all I could in the work. I have enjoyed work & meetings throughout the season, and had much pleasure in talking with our field-agents & club members.

March 23, 1912, I received my seed and sowed them in a small box March 26, 1912. I kept them good and moist, but they didn't come up very well, until April 21, they began to come up.

My garden was plowed 10 inches deep. And May 2<sup>nd</sup>, I planted them in a cold frame. May 17 I transplanted my plants June 16 I set them in my  $\frac{1}{10}$  A. plat. June 21 my brother plowed my garden, and I hoed it <sup>my</sup> <sup>plants</sup> began to take a start to grow, he plowed it again June 26 & hoed it again and July 6 he plowed the garden again.

June 9 I saw my first bud. June 13<sup>rd</sup> it was in bloom, June 18 it was a nice little tomato.

July 8 I staked my plants the was growing nice but was very small. July 16 I gathered my first fruit July 23 I canned my ~~first~~<sup>first</sup> fruit. I had a lot of trouble with the canning work at first until I got more experience in the canning work.

I have lost a great deal of my plants by wilt and blight and also a good many rotted although I never got discouraged with that I did all I could to make the work a success not not only for myself but for others and our county. Our field agents visited us and would look over our gardens.

I certainly think it is good schooling for all that is in the work. I certainly enjoyed the meetings I attended and readings of what great success girls have made in this work.

All good wishes for a happy future I am your  
~~for~~ faithful club member.

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