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Indoor Gardening.

The ways of filling plant cases for the present time are almost endless. Many would think that although there is not now the amazing wealth of blossoms which so often leads us to crowd our summer borders, there is a vast amount of what our forefathers would have called "dozen plants," of which each individual is in some way rare or striking, and they have a wide range of usefulness in front of the windows, and in the corners of rooms.

The Maranta has been long, with its beautiful crimson and white markings, and Begonia anemonea, an old but a most attractive sort, which do well in a heated case, warmth and slight moisture without violent change of temperature.

In such an arrangement the Caladiums, Dramasia, Maranta, Begonia, and climbing Fern (the Lygodium) can be used, either in the cases, or in the "room-warm" corner at the warmest end of your case, and it is a good plan to keep the leaves dry and the soil slightly dry. The Begonia, of course, growing in the case, and being tender, must be kept in the warmest part of the case, and the Maranta in the next. The Caladiums and the Lygodium are scarcely a flower, but are of great value for their leaves alone. If you have not a large case, the Caladiums and Lygodium can be planted in the window, and made a lovely carpet, as they can be moved about with ease. The Begonia should be kept in a case, but if you have a large one, it can be planted in the window.

The Caladiums have a most beautiful effect when growing in a case, and the Begonia is most valuable for its leaves alone. The Lygodium is a plant of great value, and can be grown in the case, but it is better to plant it in the window, and move it about as it is a plant of slow growth.

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Home Correspondence.

Post Office, 1863.

Dear Sir,-I am very glad to hear that your small flower house is doing well, and I am sure that it will do you much pleasure in the future. I have been looking at the flowers in your house, and I am sure that they are very fine. I have sent you a small list of flowers that I think you will like. I have also sent you a list of plants that I think you will like to grow.

Yours truly,

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