

Alice Fletcher – Source 1

Alice Fletcher worked as a teacher at Birkby Council School. Her journals cover the time-period 1911 – 1913.

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Walnut

Parts of the tree. This large tree first came from Persia & was probably brought to England by the Romans. The roots go deep so that the tree is never blown down. The leaves resemble those of the common ash. They have flowers in May & fruit in September. So important is the fruit that the tree is named after it. This fruit, the walnut, is green when growing and oval. It has a husk on outside the shell. If required for pickling, it is gathered when young, pricked all over, soaked in brine nine days & left in the sun till it turns black. It is then covered with boiling vinegar till eaten. If the nut is going to be eaten in the ordinary way, the outside husk is removed before it is sold. We then find a shell which separates into 2 halves, these shells are very thin; some people can crush them between their finger & thumb. They are channelled or grooved instead of being smooth. Inside is a kernel, good to eat, covered by a thin skin, grooved like the shell, & almost separates

June 25
Geography
Sack about Portugal Sid 2

Portugal lies to the west of Spain, thus forming the part of the Iberian peninsula. The people of Portugal are called the Portuguese. They have always been fond of the sea and were at one time the chief sea-faring nation of the world. They explored many new lands and it was they who set the example of the great use of the sea. The capital of Portugal is Lisbon. It is at the mouth of the Tagus. Portugal is famous for its wines the chief of which is port wine so called from the name of the port from which it is exported, Porto, ~~also~~ Portugal's chief port. Portugal is also famous for cork, which is obtained from the cork oak, and onions. The people of Portugal are more hardworking than their large neighbours the Spaniards. They are also kinder both to one another and to strangers. Their chief sport is bull-fighting but the sport is not so cruel as that of Spain.

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Timetable

9-10-10	10-10-20	10-20-11	11-15-12	2-2-40	2-40-3-20	3-20-4	4-4-30
Arith I	Arith III	Read I	Dict III	needle work I & II	needle work I & II	Math + Read I	Read I
Arith I	Mus I	Comp I	Dict I	Dict I	Read I	Dict + Read	Dict I
Arith I	Read III	Dict III	Dict I	needle work I & II	Gr. Sub I	Mus I	Read I
Arith I	Dict I	Gr. Sub I	Comp I	Arith III	Read I	Mus I	Arith I
Arith I	Arith I	Comp I	Read I	Steps	Steps	Drawing I	

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