

MRS. VIOLA BERRY

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We may with justice place agriculture at the head of the arts, which has certainly the advantages of all others, as well with regard to its antiquity as utility. It may be said to be as ancient as the world, having taken birth in the terrestrial paradise itself, when Adam newly come forth from the hands of his Creator, still possessed the precious but frail treasure of his innocence. God having placed him in the garden of delights, commanded him to cultivate it. That culture was not painful and laborious, but it was to serve for his amusement, and to make him contemplate in the production of the earth, the wisdom and liberality of his Master. One who has followed the

Divine mandate, is Mrs. Viola Berry. Born in St. Louis, Missouri, at an early age she moved to St. Paul, Minnesota, where she attended the public schools and graduated from the high school with honor. Mrs. Berry was engaged in the Turkish bath business with her mother, until she moved to the state of Washington in 1914, and located in the city of Seattle, where she was engaged as a manicurist until 1919. Removing to Sumner, Washington, she purchased a four-acre tract of land, and started life in earnest, by adding something to the output of Washington products. Chickens, ducks, geese, fruits, vegetables and milk from her ranch are sent to market. Mrs. Berry is a member of the Grace Presbyterian Church, and takes an active part in the social and civic affairs of both Seattle and Tacoma. Her address is R. F. D. No. 1, Box 263, Sumner, Washington.