Hops, Their Cultivation, Commerce, and Uses in Various Countries. a Manual of Reference for the Grower, Dealer, and Brewer

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The first commercial hop yard in the United States was established in New York in 1808. Before the days of pasteurization, brewers used hop for its antibiotic properties as well as its flavor. Many hop growers establish a nursery block where cuttings are planted and grown for one season.