

FOR THE HOUSEHOLD.

RHEUMATISM.—Take cucumbers when full grown, and put them into a pot with a little salt; then put the pot over a slow fire, where it should remain for about an hour; then take the cucumbers and press them, the juice from which must be put into bottles, corked up tight, and placed in the cellar, where they should remain for about a week; then wet a flannel rag with the liquid and apply it to the parts affected.

TOOTHACHE.—One ounce alcohol, two drachms cayenne pepper, one ounce kerosene oil; mix and let stand 24 hours—a sure cure.

WOUNDS.—The best simple remedy for surface wounds, such as cuts, abrasion of the skin, etc., is charcoal. Take a large coal from the fire, pulverize it, apply it to the wound, and cover the whole with a rag. The charcoal absorbs the fluid secreted by the wound, and lays the foundation of the scab; it also prevents the rag from irritating the flesh, and is an antiseptic.

WHAT DR. LEMON WILL DO.—Do you want to know the name of one of the best all around household doctors, and certainly the cheapest that can be found in any country?

It is Dr. Lemon. Yes, an ordinary, sour, yellow lemon, which you can buy at any grocery for a few cents.

Here are some of the things Dr. Lemon will do for you, if you give him the chance.

Squeeze him into a glass of water, every morning and drink him with very little sugar. He will keep your stomach in the best of order, and never let Mr. Dyspepsia, whom he hates cordily, get into it.

If you have dark hair and it seems to be falling out, cut off a slice of the doctor and rub him on your scalp. He will stop that little trouble promptly.

Squeeze him into a quart of milk and he will give you a mixture to rub on your face night and morning and get a complexion like a princess.

Pour him into an equal quantity of glycerine and rub your hands with the mixture before going to bed. If you don't mind sleeping with gloves on, that is better still, and helps the doctor considerably in his task of whitening your hands. In the morning wash

your hands thoroughly in warm water and apply the doctor again pure, but only a few drops of him this time. You must not keep this up too long, or your hands will show such a dazzling whiteness as to make all the other young ladies in the vicinity jealous.

If you have a bad headache, cut Dr. Lemon into slices and rub these along your temples. The pain will not be long disappearing—or at least in growing easier to bear.

If a bee or an insect stings you, grasp a few drops of the doctor on the spot, and you will find yourself the better for it.

If you have a troublesome corn, the doctor can be again put to good account by rubbing him on the toe after you have taken a hot bath and cut away as much as possible of the troublesome intruder.

Besides all this the doctor is always ready to sacrifice himself in the cause of Russian tea—slice him in without sugar—or in the preparation of the old-fashioned lemonade, than which no drink is more wholesome.

Altogether Dr. Lemon is an individual few people can afford to get along without.

SAVE THAT TREE.—If a favorite or valuable tree has become wounded by being nibbled by an animal, paint it, as you would where pruned, with common oil paint, wherever they are made, for the same reason that you tie up a cut finger—to exclude the air from it. The writer has a horse chestnut tree with a big hole in the side ten inches wide, by two feet long. All the old dead wood was dug out, and after filling it full of old bricks, the front was boarded up, and cement poured in at the top. When it hardened the board was taken down, and the rough cement trimmed off. In two years the bark had covered the hole. Result, a handsome tree saved in good shape.

Better live in a house without windows than in a house without books.

A million dollars won't make a man happy, but most of us would like to try it.

Let the boy buy and sell occasionally. What he loses in money he will gain in experience, worth more than money.

Canned fruit is better to be opened, and poured into a porcelain dish an hour or two before using that it may absorb oxygen from the air.