### First Grief.

The following posm was written by James Heddewick a Scottish poet little known in this country. Who the ever loss a brother or sister could read these lines without a falser in the voice and a tear in the eye? They tell me, first and early love

The grief that marks our dawning youth, To memory ever clings; And o'er the path of future years A lengthened shadow flings.

But the memory of a first great grief

Outlives all after dreams :

To me more lasting seems.

Oh! oft my mind recals the hour When to my father's home Death came, an uninvited guest, From his dwelling in the tomb

I had not seen his face before,-I shuddered at the sight And I shudder yet to think upon The anguish of that night!

A youthful brow and ruddy cheek Became all cold and wan: An eye grew dim in which the light Of radiant fancy shone;

Cold was the cheek, and cold the brow, The eye was fixed and dim; And one there mourned a brother dead, Who would have died for him

I know not if 'twas summer then, I know not if 'twas Spring; But if the birds sang in the trees I did not hear them sing;

If flowers came forth to deck the earth, Their bloom I did not see :-I looked upon one withered flower, And none else bloomed for me

A sad and silent time it was Within that house of woe: All eves were dim and overcas And every voice was low:

And from each cheek at interval The blood appeared to start, As if recalled in sudden haste To aid the sinking heart

Softly we trod, as if afraid To mar the sleeper's sleep, And stole last looks of his sad face For memory to keep.

● With him the agony was o'er And now the pain was ours: As thoughts of his sweet childhood rose, Like order from dead flowers!

And when at last he was borne afar From the world's weary strife, How oft in thought did we again Live o'er his little lite.

His every look, his every words His very voice's tone, Come back to us like things whose worth Is only prized when gone!

That grief has passed with years away. And joy has been my lot; But this one is long remembered, And the other soon torgot!

The gravest hours trip lightly by, And leave the faintest trace :-But the deep, deep track that sorrow No time can e'er efface.

### Agriculture.

### How to Plant Evergreens.

Evergreen trees will thrive finely in the door-yard who has none of them to add door-yard who has none of them to add these ferocious looking animals, cocking "Young man, you are not up to your busdug when there is enough of frost in the ground to cause the earth to adhere firmly. and to a considerable amount, to the roots, and then bury the whole mass to the same depth exactly as before, covering the ground to the extent of several feet around with a thick mat of straw or leaves. This is done to retain the moisture, and it may need wetting occasionally during the summer. The work of transplanting may be done best in the spring, and in most cases it is best to prune the branches but little, The common hemlock, grown in the yard or open field makes a beautiful shade in summer and is fresh and charming to look upon in winter- Let all who can, dot their home steads with evergreens!

### Ivy on Buildings.

It is a mistaken idea that ivy renders a structure damp and hastens its decay. On the contrary nothing so effectually keeps the building, as may be seen by examining beneath the ivy after a rain, where it will be found that the walls are dry, though all around is deluged with wet. Its exuberant and web-like icois, issuing from every portion of the branches on which it grows binds everything together that comes within their reach, with such a firm and intricate lace-work, that not a single stone can be removed from its position without first scarcely a vestige. Pursuing his sport, If I was to put my name down there, why, tearing away its projection of the scarcely a vestige. tearing away its projecting safeguard. In proof of this, we refer to ruins of ancient game, and we find him with two followers, her business in two weeks," "As she caules and buildings for mild on a second castles and buildings; for while in those parts of the structure that have not the advantage of this protection, all have gone to utter decay, where the ivy has thrown its preserving mantle, everything is comparatively fresh and perfect, and oftentimes the very angles of the sculptured stone are found to be almost as sharp and entire as when they first came from the hands of the builder .- American Agriculturist

### Currant-Bushes.

Some years ago we saw it highly recommended to trim current-bushes as shrubs, and, as we had a good fruit-garden, we adopted the suggestion; but, in the second season after, we met this difficulty: the shrubs would split open at the forks, and we made up our mind that nature had not designed this plant had better be grown in clusters of canes, like raspberries. The fruit seems more abundant in shade, as we find the largest low down upon the canes.

### Shade Trees.

What a pleasant sight to see trees grow-

remembered and looked upon with feelings into the ground."
of gratitude. Your children will protect The skin of the them, and the beautiful lines of Morais will be recalled, and tell the woodman to

"Spare that tree.
Touch not a single bow,
n youth it sheltered me,
And l'il protect it now.

It was my ather's hand That placed it near his cot Then, woodman let it stand, Thy ax shall harm it not. -Rural New Yorker

### What Everybody Ought to Know.

A quart of peas sown in a shallow box, fifteen inches wide by eighteen inches long, at any time of the year, and cut off when about 4 or 5 inches high, and boiled like spinach, with a little salt, makes a most delicious dish The tops of Jerusalem artichokes, cut off about six inches long, and boiled likeother greens make a capital dish, which partakes in some degree of the flavor of the root. Boiled water-cresses also make a wholesome, a delicious dish. It must not however be overboiled. For impaired constitutions it is invaluable. In April and May late potatoes should also be peeled some ten or twelve hours, and steeped in cold spring water before they are cooked .-This is a great improvement; it makes the potato nearly as good as those dug in Octobet .- London Gardeners' Chronicle.

### Domestic Reciepts.

BLACKBERRY WINE - Press out the juice rom fair, well-ripened blackberries, and altwelve pounds of sugar - brown sugar of an onies of death." inferior quality, will answer-and permit the liquor to stand twenty-four hours in an open vessel; skim, strain and barrelit till spring, Extract From a Speech by John then rack off and bottle.

BLACKBERRY CORDIAL - Add one pound white sngar to three pounds of ripe berries; let them stand one day, and express the juice, strain it, and add one third-part pure spirit, and a teaspoonful finely powdered allspice to every quart of the cordial. Both of these articles are excellent in cases of summer complaint .- Germantown Tel.

### Miscellaucous.

ming's account, it is an interview not to be courted. He had been hunting on the plains, and at night watched the distant valley to the northward of his camp, when the moon rose and discovered a troop of wild beasts within range. One of the he shot, and soon afterwards discharged his gun at a large spotted byens, when he returned it to large spotted byens, and removes the cause of all local pains, such as system, and removes the cause of all local pains, such as system, and removes the cause of all local pains, such as system, and removes the cause of all local pains, such as system, and removes the cause of all local pains, such as system, and removes the cause of all local pains, such as system, and removes the cause of all local pains, such as system, and removes the cause of all local pains, such as system, and removes the cause of all local pains, such as system, and removes the cause of all local pains, such as system, and removes the cause of a bystem, and removes the system, and removes the s

about in quest of me, and the sounds increasing, I awoke with a sudden start, uttering a loud shriek. I could not then for several seconds remember in what part of the world I was, or anything connected with my present position. I heard the rushing of light feet, as of a pack of wolves close on every light as the sudden start, and the sounds in the satisfaction of the satisfaction. I heard the rushing of light feet, as of a pack of wolves close on every light as the sudden start, and sound start and start and talk as the sudden start as the sud earthly sounds. On raising my head, to my crops, and railroads and money matters

sumed. I felt my blood curdling along my sir," said he, "a man ought to do everything cheeks, and my hair bristling on my head, to benefit his children." However I had presence of mind to consider that the human voice and a determined of the door as speedily as possiele, and said, bearing might overawe them, and accord- "Dont be angry with with me; I am going ingly, springing to my feet, I stepped to the to ask you a plain and simple question; you little ledge surrounding the hole, where know who I am, therefore you wont be andrawing myself up to my full height, I waiv- gry. Suppose you never use any more ed my large blanket with both hands, at the same time addressing my savage assembly children would be better off?" "Well, in a loud and solemn manner. This had well," said he, " you have got me this time." the desired effect; the wild dogs removed to a more respectful distance, barking at me you?" 'Yes, sir, as good a woman as evsomething like collies. Upon this I snatch- er a good man had for a wife." And you ed up my rifle and commenced loading, and love your wife?" To be sure I do; it is before this was accomplished the entire natural that a man should love his wife."pack had passed away and did not return." "And you would do anything you could to Game of more formidable description please your wife?" "Well I ought to." "Suppose you were to sign a temperance large byenas supplied the place of the dogs, and attacked the carcass of the wild beast, of which, long before morning they left a thing that would please my wile like that

however, he afterwards seeks for other the old woman would be up and about riding along the basis of the mountains, is sick," said I, "then you will do it?"through woody dells and open glades, until "Yes, I guess I will do it" And he at he reaches a grand forest, gray with age. once opened a closet, took out pen and ink, Here he finds his first claud—a magnificent and I spread out the pledge and he wrote animal, by far the largest of all the antelope his name. The children had been listening kind, exceeding in size the dimensions of with eyes and ears, wide open while we were a large ox. It also attains an extraordinary talking about temperance. They knew condition, being often burthened with a very what a drunken father was; they knew large amount of fat. Its flesh is most excel- what a principle of abstinence would do for lent, and is justly esteemed above all others. him; and when he had signed, one said to It is tender, and fit for use the moment the the other, "Father has signed the pledge!"

the shade of a spreading tree. inues, "and was a noble specimen, stand. come in here a moment." Said he, "Come ing about six feet high at the shoulder. Ob- in here along with me; come in and see my serving us, he made off at a gallop, springing over the trunks of decayed trees which

I went and stood by her bedside. The to be grown in that way. We have closely duced his pace to a trot. Spurring my deep in its socket; and with her long, thin, observed this matter ever since, and if we horse, another moment saw me riding hard and bony fingers she gripped my hand and have any advice to give, it is, that currents behind him. Twice in the thickets I lost with the other took the hand of her husband, me; but at length, the ground improving, I she had. "Luke," said she, " is a kind came up with him, and rode within a few hasband and a good father; he takes care and best bunches in the dense foliage and yards behind him. Large streams of foam of the children and is very kind to them now streamed from his mouth, and a pro- but the drink, O! the drink makes terrible fuse perspiration had changed his sleek difficulty." That difficulty! God only, gray coat to an ashy blue. Tears trickled and the crushed wife of the intemperate man, from his large dark eye, and it was plain know anything about it. that the cland's hours were numbered. The man shook like a leaf; he snatched

The skin of this eland is like that

licions perfume of trees and grass. coffee, and having mounted a fresh horse I Luke! again set forth, accompanied by Carolus leading a pack-horse to bring home the head of the eland and a supply of the flesh; took all my dogs with me to share in the banquet. We had not proceeded far when the dogs went ahead on some scent. Spurring my horse, I followed the thorny bushes as best I might, and, emerging on an open glade, I beheld two white rbinoceroses trotting along before me. The dogs attacked citement ensued. The Old Grey, on observing them, pricked up his ears and seemed half inclined to follow, but a sharp application of the spur reminded him of his yards of the largest, and sent a bullet through her back. The Old Grey shied the rhipoceros, fluding berself hemmed in

## B. Gough.

In the following passage, by this extraordinary temperance orator, he speaks much the hearts of the old as well as the young : There is no power on earth will make a man a fiend like the power of the drink.—
One circumstance in my own reminiscences

Liquid Cathartic I will give to you. I was asked by an individual to go and see the hardest case then in town. I said, "I have no right to go and see him; he will say to me, "who sent you see him; he will say to me, "who sent you was a drunkard?"

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his holster, and almost immediately lay down and slept.

"I had not slept long," he continnes,

Gough, I believe? "Yes, that is my name; when my rest was broken by strauge would you be good enough to give me a sounds. I dreamt that hons were rushing glass of water, if you please?" "Certainly,"

side of me, accompanied by the most un- of but the subject; I talked of trade, and utter horror, I saw on every side nothing and then I got on to the public houses, and but savage wild dogs, chattering and growl- then drinking, and he headed me off again. to live, there is no excuse to the owner of a in a few paces of me, stood two lines of twinkle in his eye, as much as to say,

a look at me; while two large troops, in I was about to give it up; but, I think which there were at least forty of them, kept providentially, I saw the children. I said dashing backwards and lorwards across my to him, "You've got two bright looking wind, within a few yards of me, chattering children there, sir." "O! yes, yes, bright and growling with the most extraordinary little things !"-" Said I, " You love your volubility. Another troop of wild dogs children don't you?" "Bless the children, were fighting over the wild beast I had to be sure I love them."--Said I, "Would'nt shot, which they had begun to devour. On you do snything to benefit your children? beholding them, I expected no other fate He looked at me as if he thought something than to be instantly torn to Pieces and con- else was coming after .- "Well, to be sure.

Then I stood up, so that I might get out animal is killed. An old bull of this de- "O! my!" said the other; "now I'll go and scription Mr. Cumming discovers enjoying tell my mother;" and away she ran into the other room. But the mother had heard it; "He was the first I had seen," he con. and I listened to her calling, "Luke! Luke!

ay across his path; but very soon he re- face was ghastly pale, the eye large and sunk sight of him, and he very nearly escaped and began to tell me what a good husband

"earth-bound ties are severed," this will be which I sharpened with my knife, and stuck child, gripped the bedclothes in his hands. and hid his face in them. And she laid her thin hand upon his head, and said, " Don't most other antelopes, emitting the most de- cry. Luke; don't, please don't; you wouldn't have struck me if it had not been for the "Having eaten my steak," he continues, drink. Mr. Gough, don't believe him, he is 'I rode to my wagon, where I partook of as good a husband as ever lived. Don't crv.

### Why so few Statesmen.

The Baltimore Sun has an article entitled Statesmen and Politicians," in which an answer is given to the question, "Why is it there are in our broad country no more statesmen, no more leading minds to whom the nation may look for counsel and guidance in the hour of trial and danger? Why is it them with fury, and a scene of intense exthere seems not as many great men as there were at that period of the revolution, when we numbered but about three millions! The answer is, in most respects, satisfactory duty, and I was presently riding within ten and is entitled to careful consideration. Its is this: Men of high original endowments in our days, become politicians instead of considerably and became very unmanage- statesmen; they turn aside from the noble able, and on one occasion, in consequence, career of patriotism, which expands the faculties and elevates the character, and deby a bend in a watercourse turned round vote themselves to sectional and partizan to charge. I had a very narrow escape, politics. The moment they do this their presently, galloping up on one side, I gave minds are narrowed and their intellectual her a bad wound in the shoulder, soon after which she came to bay in the dry bed of a mind as the attxious and calculating life of river. Dismounting from my horse, I commenced loading, but before this was accomplished she was off once more. I followed and fall of parties, whose whole solicitude her, putting on my cap as I rode, and combecomes consentrated in the single calcuing up along side, I made a fine shot from lation, not whether a public measure is to the saddle, firing at the gallop. The ball benefit his country, but how it is to affect his prospects of political elevation. Intellow the juice to stand thirty-six hours to ferment, skimming it frequently to remove the ently rolled over and expired, uttering a tude of the object it seeks, and by the puriscum and other impurities To every gallon shrill screaming sound as she died, which tv of motives which animates its exertions. of the juice, add one gallon of water, and rhinoceruses invariably do, while in the ag- Patriotism is often an inspiration which seems to expand humanity beyond its natural dimensions, conferring a deeper insight into truth and a clearer foresight of futurity than are enjoyed by the mind when influenced by ordinary motives. It is thus that the highest virtue brings its own reward."

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