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As sweet a child as one could find, Her eyes are blue, her cheeks are pink, Her hair curls up with many a ring— She says her name is Allie; But said to say, Ofttimes a day, We call her Dilly Dilly.

Green peas will soon be ripe in country gardens in this latitude, and are already furnished in abundance in our city markets. Green peas are usually served in but one way, that is boiled, and a great many people do not know that there is any other way to serve them. Yet they make a most delicious puree soup, and are excellent served in cream.

THE HOME.

Some Helps for Young Mothers. "It makes me ache all over, Mary," said a dear old grandmother, "to see you carrying that heavy baby about so much."

The young mother smiled as she answered, "But you have children of your own, mother, and I know you must have done just as I am doing."

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THE FARM.

Kerosene Emulsion Against Plant and Animal Parasites.

As I have often urged, there is no substance so excellent to kill injurious insectal insects as kerosene emulsion. It is quick death to lice of cattle, hogs and horses, and to sheep ticks. It is easily made and very cheap.

Boiled peas are very often served in French kitchens in a cream sauce, made with half a cup of cream thickened with a teaspoonful of butter and a scant teaspoonful of flour.

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air by the use of nets at the windows and doors, or in canopy over the beds.—N. Y. Tribune.

Disbarking Trees.—The bark is nearly as necessary to the existence of a tree as is the skin to the life of an animal.

In a short time a new bark began forming, and when the tree ceased growing in autumn, it was surrounded by a thin, green bark, with the exception of a narrow strip about two inches wide, on that part of the trunk where the sun would strike about two o'clock in the afternoon, when its heat is most intense.

From a lad and up to recent date I had heard that hoot owls were weather prophets; but had placed this assertion in the category of lunar influence on time of planting seeds—all moonshine.

—Poultry speculations and poultry editors (says the Vermont Chronicle) fill the papers with so much that experience shows to be false or exaggerated that it is an interesting matter to know the actual facts.

—In Japan there are apple trees growing four inches in height, which freely bear fruit about the size of our peaches, and they are two years old as the best laying period is over at that age.

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