

used and the mode, in which horses draw them, in the other.

A luxury is enjoyed very generally in ice, during the summer, which is easily preserved in houses of a very simple construction. These are small cellars, about twelve feet square, formed in gardens, or on the north side of their houses. They are secured by hewn timber instead of stone, and covered with plank or slabs, which are supported by a pole which rests on two standards. Upon these planks, earth is cast, and the whole covered with green sods. Small bushes, such as the rose and goose-berry, are set in this layer of earth, and trees are planted around the whole to increase the shade. The ice is taken in winter from the lakes and rivers, and cast into these houses, where it is broken into as small pieces as possible; and water poured in, which is congealed by the frost, and forms a solid mass.

To Protestants the peculiarities of the Catholic religion affords much amusement. Burials are attended in the churches with great pomp. During the celebration of the