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THE HOME.

JACK AND THE LILY. It was a lovely lily, every one said so. One tall, slender stem, crowned by three of the most perfect white blooms.

Mrs. Elwyn was very proud of it. "I think that if I don't lose a prize at the flower show, Thomas, it will be least be highly commended," she said to her gardener one morning.

Jack stood by his mother's side listening. He watched out over the garden and clasped it about the lily's stem.

"Don't touch it, my boy," said his mother, quickly; "it is very tender, and a rough pull would snap it off."

Three days passed away. It was the evening before the flower show, and Jack was in the garden all by himself. "I will just go and look at the lily," he thought.

He had now come to the lily; never was so close to perfection as the flower before. As the lily bloomed, a great white petal came to draw it closer. He clasped his fingers about the pale green stem and drew it toward him.

As soon as the petals were well expanded, he drew it to a plate, and butter it lightly. It requires a hot fire and some patience to bake a quantity of waffles successfully, but the process of baking gives them a delicious and superior quality of flavor unlike any griddle cakes, though made of the same batter.

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The bunches of celery are packed in wooden boxes and sent to all parts of the country, and the demand for these crops in Kalamazoo constitutes quite an important industry for the city.—(C. B. Walters in American Cultivator).

Every road is a structure and needs a foundation. A good road will never be built by accident or maintained by ignorance. It is quite as senseless and futile to attempt to build and maintain a good highway by cutting out A's and C's from their various occupations to maul and scrape a few miles of soft dirt with hoes and shovels, as it would be to expect the same persons under a similar system to construct the personal labor in the successful erection of a courthouse or jail.

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WAFLES AND WAFERS.

Waffles are quite different cakes from wafers. They are both baked in irons, but the waffle-iron is a much deeper receptacle, the cakes being about half an inch thick, while the other cake is as thin as a wafer of sealing-wax.

The waffle-iron is a comparatively common utensil, in the various divisions of which there are raised knots that show in patterns of diamonds, hearts and other designs on the cakes. The waffle-iron consists of two iron plates with handles. A thin pancake batter is poured on these after they have been greased, and they are heated on the coals like a waffle. The batter, some of which is always forced out at the sides of the waffle-iron, is trimmed off, and the cakes are taken out. This is a cake seldom seen to-day, and the true waffle, we believe, is only to be found in Boston, where a few families of English descent keep up the old fashion of wafle baking.

The waffle-iron is sold everywhere; by an improvement the old long-handled irons are succeeded by the new ones that fit into the stove holes of the range and are whittled over without lifting the iron. There is an art in heating waffle-irons that is necessary to success. Heat the iron on both sides; then grease them. They should be steam-like a hot griddle. Shut them; let them become a little hotter; then fill the iron, and instantly reverse them, bringing the side next the fire on top. As soon as the cakes are well browned, remove it to a plate, and butter it lightly. It requires a hot fire and some patience to bake a quantity of waffles successfully, but the process of baking gives them a delicious and superior quality of flavor unlike any griddle cakes, though made of the same batter.

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THE FARM.

KALAMAZOO CELERY. The wonderful success of the Kalamazoo celery industry has emphasized the value of special farm crops in sections of the country where conditions are such as to make it profitable to grow the world over, sells well in all markets, pays good profits to the growers, and makes farming profitable.

The celery grows naturally in splendid condition on the black muck of the meadows or bottom lands around Kalamazoo, and it is this richness of soil that has developed a great industry. The soil is the result of decayed vegetation that has been accumulating there for ages, and its appearance and analysis it does not differ much from ordinary swamp muck.

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LESSONS FROM EXPERIENCE.

The history of the cattle industry in the last year should serve as a good lesson to many. Very often low prices are forced by speculators, and it would be folly to go out of the business as a result. General business depression will again keep prices down for a long time. But in all such depressions the reaction is sure to come. There will always be plenty to give up at the first, and have been getting out of the business as profit in the end. This has been proved true of the sheep industry also. There have been waves of prosperity and depression in the past. It was not more than a quarter of a century ago that every one thought the sheep industry was ruined and paralyzed beyond recovery in this country. Then came a period of prosperity that swept like the old gales away, and everybody interested in the industry made money. Just now history is repeating itself. Sheep raising is at a low ebb. Owners of large herds have been selling off stock at a sacrifice, and many have been getting out of the business as quickly as possible. The number of sheep slaughtered, and the small number raised in the last twelve months, must eventually produce a shortage in the old gales, and the industry will bring prices up. Just now the bulk of foreign wools running out the domestic product, and that will not pay to raise sheep any longer. But what of the future? Is not the population increasing, and the demand for good mutton and lamb? One might stop and think of this before selling all of his stock.—(German town Telegraph).

Back to Health After Years of Extreme Suffering. Yielded to the Advice of a Friend and Obtained Results These Doctors Had Failed to Secure. From the Ottawa Journal.

Mr. George Argue is one of the best known farmers in the vicinity of North Gower. He has passed through an experience as painful as it is remarkable, and his story as told a reporter will be of value to all who are afflicted with this disease. "I was born in the county of Carleton," said Mr. Argue, "and have lived all my life within twenty miles of the city of Ottawa. Ten years of that time have been years of pain and misery almost beyond endurance. Eleven years ago I contracted a cold which resulted in pleurisy and inflammation of the lungs. Other complications then followed and I was confined to my room for five years. The doctor who attended me through that long illness said that the reason I was unable to move about was due to the contracting of the muscles

of my hands and feet through long confinement to bed. I could hobble around on crutches, but was well helpless. At this stage a second doctor was called in who declared my trouble was spinal complaint. Notwithstanding medical advice and treatment I was sinking lower and lower, and was regarded as incurable. I was now in such a state that I was unable to leave my bed, but determined to find a cure if possible, and sent for one of the most able physicians in Ottawa. I was under his care and treatment for three years. He blistered my back every three or four weeks and exerted all his skill, but in vain. I was growing weaker and weaker, and began to think the end could not be far off. At this juncture a friend strongly urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I yielded to his solicitation, and by the time six boxes of pills were used I found myself getting better. I used all thirty boxes, and my health has accomplished what ten years of treatment under physicians failed to do. Thanks to this wonderful medicine, I am able to attend to my duties as a farmer, and my health is as good as ordinary. My health is expected to be still use Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and as long as I live I shall use no other. If I had got these pills ten years ago I am satisfied I would not have suffered as I did, and would have saved some hundreds of dollars doctors bills. It is only those who have passed through such a terrible siege as I have done who can fully realize the wonderful merit of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

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