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PRESERVING EGGS.—The following recipe is from a recent work on "Game Fowls," by Cooper & Vernon, of Media, Pa.:—"Dissolve some gum shellac in a sufficient quantity of alcohol to make a thin varnish, give each egg a coat, and after they have become thoroughly dry pack them in bran or saw-dust, with their points downwards in such a manner that they cannot shift about. After you have kept them as long as you desire, wash the varnish carefully off, and they will be in the same state as they were before packing, ready either for eating or hatching." The author of this work states that he has been engaged for thirty years in raising the best of game fowls, and he frequently imported eggs from Europe which he directed to be packed according to this recipe, and from such eggs he has raised chickens. This is certainly a very simple mode of preserving eggs and very superior to the common method of laying them down in milk of lime.

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