

THE PHANTOM ORACLE.

At midnight—all is silent round, An awful stillness reigns profound. The stars are unnumbered, and on high Hang nature's angels round.

HOUSE AND HOUSEHOLD.

Teaching Girls and Boys in Homework. "I was going down street one day not long ago when I met my little ten-year-old nephew in company with another boy of about the same age."

"I've got the money, if mamma think it is right for me to do it."

My nephew looked at him for a moment with a sort of awed expression on his face, as if he stood in the presence of a little prince, and then turned to walk on with me.

My little companion waxed eloquent over his new friend, and finally exclaimed, "It's the funniest thing! He never has to ask his papa for money, but only if he may do things and go places; and if his father says 'yes' why he has the money himself."

As this was a question in which I was interested too, I determined to presume on my neighborly acquaintance and inquire of the bright little mother concerning it.

"Their father and I have positive ideas about the bringing up of children. We decided that ours should be taught to work, that they should never be allowed to grow up in ignorance of the things which they ought to know."

"My daughters are now fourteen and twelve years of age. For two years I have kept no servant in the kitchen. The girls are held responsible for a certain amount of the work, which I vary so that they shall have practice in all parts."

"The girls have had some practice now in nearly all things connected with general housework, and I am sure you will not think it boasting when I say that they are quite accomplished little housekeepers."

"The boys are younger, but they have their regular drill too. They work in the garden, help to keep the yard in order, and do chores about the house, and they have a share in the regular housework too."

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part of the arrangement. He gives to each child a little account book, which must be accurately kept. He pays the girls ten cents an hour for all the time they work, the older boy eight cents, and the little six-year old, five cents.

"The children are allowed a certain freedom in spending their money. They are not obliged to account for it all, though it is usually a pleasure for them to do so."

"Nothing is ever permitted to interfere with the payments. At the appointed time the money is paid down. Sometimes when for any reason they have been unusually industrious and worked extra hours, the payments are quite heavy."

"This is our scheme, briefly outlined. We take great pleasure in working it out, and are sure of the good results that must follow it in all the after life of our children."

A receipt for German cookies comes from the province of Holstein: Take seven and a half ounces of butter, let it melt on the fire, pour it slowly into a deep dish, taking care that the sediment does not mix again with the clear melted butter.

For oyster croquettes, drain and plump and ruffe 25 oysters. Skin them out and chop fine. To one gill of the liquor that exuded from the oysters add an equal amount of cream, and when it boils, thicken with two tablespoonfuls of flour rubbed into one heaping cup of butter, and stir constantly until it is smooth.

Two Good Dishes. "Their father and I have positive ideas about the bringing up of children. We decided that ours should be taught to work, that they should never be allowed to grow up in ignorance of the things which they ought to know."

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COMMERCIAL.

FLOUR, GRAIN, &c. Flour.—The local trade has been quiet during the week, but much improvement is expected until the ice bridge is formed across the river.

Winter Wheat patent, 55¢ @ 5.20 Spring patent, 55¢ @ 5.20 Straight Roller, 4.85 @ 4.35 No. 1 Superfine, 4.90 @ 4.25 No. 2 Superfine, 4.90 @ 4.25 No. 3 Superfine, 4.90 @ 4.25 No. 4 Superfine, 4.90 @ 4.25 No. 5 Superfine, 4.90 @ 4.25 No. 6 Superfine, 4.90 @ 4.25 No. 7 Superfine, 4.90 @ 4.25 No. 8 Superfine, 4.90 @ 4.25 No. 9 Superfine, 4.90 @ 4.25 No. 10 Superfine, 4.90 @ 4.25

Provisions.—Dressed Hams.—Owing to the colder weather of the past few days, farmers have been killing more hams and receipts are beginning to be more liberal.

COUNTRY PRODUCE. Eggs.—The market during the week has been quiet, but there is a slight improvement in the price of fresh eggs.

Dairy Produce.—The market remains very firm, with further business in the western at 12c. Butter.—Although the price of creamery butter is not so high as it has been for some time, the sale of a round lot is reported to have been completed at 20c.

Cheese.—The market remains very firm, with further business in the western at 12c.

Montreal Farmers Market. Grain.—Oats sell at from 81c to 81c per bushel; buckwheat, 81c to 81c; beans, 81c to 81c.

THE FARM. Butter-Making in Winter. In small families, where only one or two cows are kept, the farmer does not think it worth while to provide many special facilities for dairymaking.

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noxious gases, but the fumes or exhalations arising from any substance whose flavor we would object to have incorporated with our butter.

Nor should milk or cream intended for churning ever be allowed to freeze, freezing causes some chemical changes to take place which lessen the quantity of butter as well as makes churning more difficult.

After the butter is made, the same care should be taken with it as with the cream, so that it will not become rancid.

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other little details so essential to success, and then see if her customers find fault any more—that is, if her family leave any surplus for their delectation.—HOTTEN'S DUDLEY in Country Gentlemen.

D. Nightingale, Dealer in General Sporting and Athletic Goods. Snow-Shoes, Boxing-Gloves, Fencing, Fells, Maska, Single Sticks, Hockey, Sticks and Pucks, Bicycles, Bells, Lanterns, etc.

Pool and Billiard Tables. Improved Billiard Cues, patented Nov. 21, 1891, Ivory and Cornuolite Balls, Billiard, Plain and Fancy Cues, Billiard Cloths, etc.

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UNPRECEDENTED ATTRACTION OVER A MILLION DISTRIBUTED.

Louisiana State Lottery Company. Its GRAND EXTRAORDINARY DRAWING takes place every Monday at 10 o'clock, and its GRAND SINGLE NUMBER DRAWING takes place every Tuesday at 10 o'clock.

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