

Preserving Gooseberries and Currants.—Gather the currants while green, or before they turn red, put them into dry glass bottles, cork and seal them tight; then place them in the cellar, in such a position as is most convenient. In this manner, green currants have been preserved in my cellar for years. I have also preserved gooseberries in the same manner and with equal success. I have green currant pies on my table at all seasons of the year, when other green fruit cannot be readily obtained.—M. S. WILSON.

The National Debt, in gold and silver; in weight and length.—Its weight in gold would be 6,282 tons; in silver, 120,000 tons. Its transportation in gold would require 26 ships of 250 tons each; 12,681 one-horse carts, each carrying half a ton, and forming a procession 25 miles in length; or 281,769 soldiers, each carrying 50 lbs. In sovereigns piled one upon the other, they would be 710 miles in height; laying them side by side and touching each other, they would form a chain of gold 11,048 miles in length, or nearly twice the circumference of the moon. The same amount in one-pound notes, sewed together, would carpet a turnpike road, 45 feet broad and 1,040 miles long, or from Land's End to John O'Groat's and half way back again; if sewed together, end to end, they would form a bandage reaching 4 times round the world, or 16 times round the moon. Divide the debt equally among the inhabitants of the world, and each person, man, woman, or child, of every color, would receive as their share, 16 shillings. It would require 476 ships of 250 tons each, to transport it in silver from Mexico, (provided the mines in that country could furnish it,) and after reaching England—240,000 one-horse carts, carrying half a ton each, making a procession 676 miles long; or 5,000,000 of men, carrying 50 lbs. each, to deposit it in the vaults, prior to its use for the redemption of outstanding pledges. Debt—\$5,684,000,000.

Scare Crows.—Suspend bright sheets of tin on tall poles, at proper distances through your corn fields, and the crows will not disturb your corn, as the least wind causes a reflection that will prove just as frightful to them as an explosion of gun powder, or the report of a gun.

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