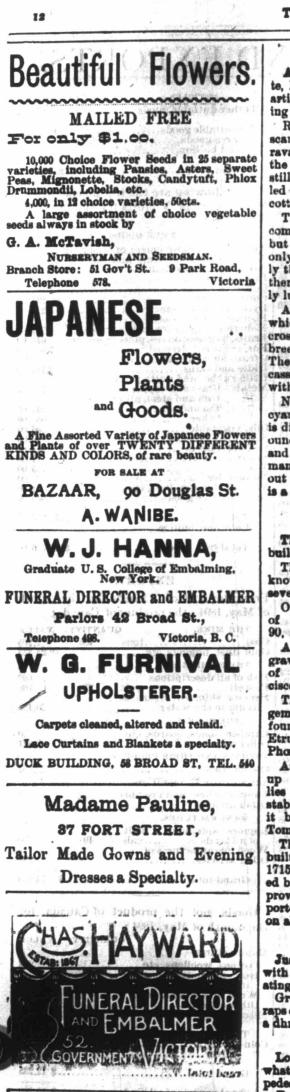
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Notice of Removal.

Mr. A. BARKER, THE PEOPLE'S PLUMBER has removed from 105 Yates street to more commodious premises at 122 Yates street, where he is to be found at all times.

Orders committed to his care will receive prompt attention.

FARMING IN FOREIGN LANDS

correspondent of the Farmers' Gazet te, Dublin, writes recommending Jerusalem artichokes (Helianthus tuberosus) for making silage.

Ing sliage. Russian Turkestan is suffering from a scarcity of food, caused, in part, by the ravages of locusts in certain districts, the unfavorable season last year, and still more by the "cotton fever" which led farmers to neglect other crops for cotton:

The Japan dwarf peach is very highly commended by the Queenslander as little but good. The tree grows to a height of only three feet, but the fruits set so thick-ly that nuless thinned they crowd one ano-ther, and the flavor is declared to be 'simply luscious,

Among the varieties of English sheep, which have been taken to New Zealand for crossing with Merinos, one of the favorite breeds is the Romney Marsh, of Kentish. The object of the cross is to obtain a carcass suitable for the frozen mutton trade without sacrificing the fleece.

New Zealand fruit growers are using cyanid of potassium as an insecticide. It is dissolved in water, at the rate of one ounce of cyanid to twenty gallons of water, and the solution is sprayed in the usual manner. It is found quite effective with-out injuring the most delicate foliage. It is a very dangerous poison.

SHORT SCISSORINGS.

The British mercantile navy has cost in building £138,670,000.

The head of the rattlesnake has been known to inflict a fatal wound after being evered from the body.

Of 15,000 persons one arrives at the age of 100 years, of 500 one attains the age 90, and one in 100 lives to the age of 60.

A box of earth has been sent from the grave of Gen. Lafayette to the Daughters of the American Republic at San Francisco, in which to plant a tree of liberty

The diamond is not among the sarliest gems known to man. It has not been found in the ruins of Nineveh, in the Etruscan sepulchers nor in the tombs of Phoenicians.

An old stage coach, that had been held up and robbed eighty-three times, now lies dismantled in the yard of a livery stable in Phoenix, A.T. Twenty years ago it began running between Prescott and Tombstone

The first lighthouse in America w built at the entrance to Boston harbor in 1715-16, at a cost of about \$11,500. Erected by the order of the general court of the province of Massachusetts bay, it was sup-ported by light dues of one penny per ton on all vessels except coasters.

Impersonating an Officer.

Justice Stuffey-You charge this tramp with coming to your saloon and imperson-ating an officer, do you? Grogan-Yis, sor: the blagard gave tree raps on me soide dure, an' I passed him out a dhrink.-New York World.

Its Beginning.

Loving Mother-1 cannot understand what makes our boy, Robert, so fond of pedestrianis

Fond Father-He gets that from me. Didn't I walk the floor with him for weeks when he was a baby?

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"Dear me!" cried the nurse, "the baby has swallowed my railroad ticket. What shall I do?"

"Go and buy another right away," re-turned the mother. "I'm not going to have the baby punched."-Harper's Basar.

