

an animal fibre. Mothers will do well to remember this when they are buying warm garments for their little ones.

Here is the way in which to wash garments of eider down: Make a suds of lukewarm water and the best laundry soap. Put in the garment and wash it thoroughly, being careful not to rub soap on it, that causes it to shrink in spots and is undesirable in every way. The best eider down will not fade and will bear hard and frequent washings.—New-York Tribune.

THE CHILDREN

By Henry Reeve, Highland Creek. The Eye of Isis.

This is played by taking newspapers and placing them over a clothes horse, and cutting holes large enough and high enough for a person to look through. Several go behind the screen, and the company then guess, if they can, who the owners of the eyes are; they seldom are able, and the mistakes made are ludicrous.

THE COOK WHO DOESN'T LIKE PEAS

The fun of this game depends on a fair proportion of the players not being acquainted with it, in which case they will be sure to lose small fortunes in forfeits before finding out the "catch."

The leader begins, addressing the player: "I have a cook who doesn't like peas (p's). What will you give her for her dinner?" The person addressed, if acquainted with the secret, avoids the letter "p" in his answer, and, for example, says, "I will give her some bananas." The question is then asked of the second person, who, if unacquainted with the trick, is likely enough to offer something which contains the letter "p"—e.g., potatoes, asparagus, pork, apple pie, pickles, spinach, etc. When this occurs, the offender is called upon to pay a forfeit, but the precise nature of his offense is not explained to him. He is simply told in answer to his expostulation that "the cook doesn't like p's. When a sufficient number of forfeits has been extracted, the secret is revealed, and those who have not already guessed it are aggravated by being reminded that they were told over and over again that the cook did not like "p's" and that if they would persist in giving them to her they must, of course, take the consequences.—Exchange.

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PRACTICAL FARMING

by James Dickson

Does it pay to raise turnips?

*(The Editor is *not* answerable for the opinions of his correspondent.)*

Many Farmers object to raise turnips because they cost so much for manual labour. I, and the calculation of the cost differs so much, that during the last season I kept account with my turnip field with the direct object of ascertaining what it costs to raise an acre of turnips. If my memory serve me right one estimate for hoeing was \$12.00, while another was \$2.50.

I must observe that the cultivating and hoeing, was done by a prairie wheat and corn farmer, who had never previously hoed a turnip. I must however give him the credit of having learned with little trouble. Also, that they were cultivated and hoed twice. I kept