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determines what shall be the physical and intellectual status of a nation at large. These facts
are well known to all physiologists, and to most
sensible and reflecting people; and yet, this animal poison is taken into the system regardless of the ruin it inflicts! Is it not time that the people were aroused to the supreme importance of this subject ?-Bergh.

TREATMENT OF " HIDE BOUND" FRUIT THEES .- The Gardener's Monthly has the following in an article on the way to renovate old and neglected fruit trees :- "Trees with long stems, exposed to hot suns or drying winds, become what gardeners call bide-bound. That is, the old bark becomes indurated—cannot expand, and the tree suffers much durated—cannot expand, and the ties sutters much in consequence. Such an evil is usually indicated by gray lichens which feed on the decaying bark. In these cases a washing of weak lye or of limewater is very/useful; indeed, where the bark is healthy, it is beneficial thus to wash trees, as many every of invests are thereby destroyed. We would eggs of insects are thereby destroyed. We would however, again refer to linseed oil as a wash, as far more effective for insects, and would, perhaps, do as well for moss and lichen. After all, these seldom come when trees are well cultivated. It is neglect that makes poor growth, and this lichens."

ONION SETS .- A Mr. Fellows, of Kentucky, grows onion sets as follows: He selects a dry piece of ground. His ground is rich alluvial loam, but the character of the soil is of no special importance. Beds are formed two feet wide, with a path of one foot between. The beds are excavated to the depth of two inches or, in other words, the puth or alley between is two inches higher than the beds; the bottom of the beds is nicely smoothed with the back of a spade, so as to present a level surface whereon to sow the seed. The seed is sown so that from fifteen to twenty seeds will cover a square inch. If the surface of the beds was sprinkled with plaster or white sand, the seeds, which are black, could be sown more evenly. After sowing, the seeds are covered with two inches of clear pure sand, which brings the beds and paths to the same level. The whole is then rolled with a light roller, or patted down with a spade. The advantages of this plan are, that there being no seeds of weeds in the sand, the labor of weeding is entirely saved, and the sets when matured are far more easily gathered.

EGGE—How Increased.—If an increase of eggs be desired in the poultry yard, before large sums of money are expended in the purchase of everlasting layers, we would recommend the system of keeping no hens after their first, or at the most, their second year. Early pullets give the increase, and the only wonder is that people persist as they do in keeping up a stock of old hens, which lay one day and stop three, instead of laying three days and stopping one. In some parts of England it is the invariable rule to keep the pullets only one year. Feeding will do a great deal, (a surprising work, indeed) in the production of eggs; but not when the old hens are concerned. They may put on fat, but they cannot put down eggs. Their tale is told, their work is over. Nothing remains to be done with them but to give them a smell of the kitchen-fire and the sooner they get that the better. Of course, there are some old favorites, whose lives ought to be spared as long as they can send forth their representatives. Judicious mating—by which we mean the advantage of a comparatively youthful cockerel-may be the means of even exhibition poultry making their appearance from the eggs of the good old hen; and here we have the exception to the rule upon which we insist. - London Agricultural Gazette.

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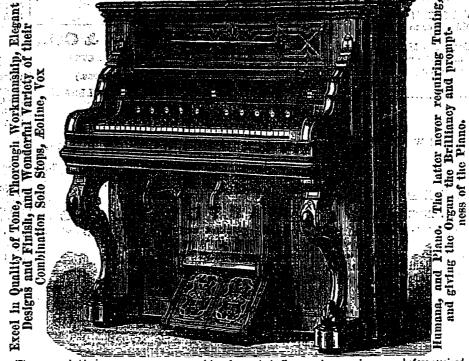
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