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HELLEBORE rubbed over with molasses and put around places that roaches and water bugs frequent, is a very effectual poison for

If a lamp chimney be cut with a diamond on the convex side, it will never crack with heat, as the incision affords room for the expansion, and the glass, after cooling, returns to its original shape with only a scratch visible where the cut was made.

For watering house plants, take carbonate of ammonia four parts; nitrate of potash (saltpetre) two parts; pulverize and mix well. Put one drachm (one-eighth of an ounce) of this powder into a gallon of rain water. Use this for watering plants. Give them a good sunlight and not too much heat, and plants will keep green and fresh.

A SURE cure for ringworm is found in the use of a wash, prepared by soaking a bit of chewing tobacco, the size of a raisin, with the same quantity of saleratus, in a spoonful of vinegar. Apply the wash, faithfully, for several days, until the skin is restored to its natural state. This remedy never fails, even in cases of open sores, of enormous proportions.

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The wicks of kerosene lamps should be changed frequently, or if not too short, washed in strong, hot soapsuds, with some ammonia in the rinsing water. The trouble with poor light from kerosene lamps probably arises from the wicks being full of the sediment of refuse matter which comes from the oil, and that impedes the free passage of the kerosene through the wicks.

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kerosene through the wicks.

Dr. Dio Lewis says cold baths of the skin are good, but it is doubtful if flooding the stomach on going to bed and on rising is not, on the whole, the most profitable form of cold bathing. Costiveness, piles and indigestion are uniformly relieved by this morning and evening cold douche. The quantity must be determined by each one for himself. Two or three swallows will do to begin with, but the quantity will soon grow to a tumbler full; and I have known persons to use much more with marked benefit. If advisably managed, every dyspeptic will be greatly improved by this cold stomach bath.

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At this season of the year there are many days when but little work can be done in the field, yet an inclement day can well be utilized in looking after the farm tools, carts, waggons, and the various implements required upon the farm. A coat of paint applied to the wood-work would preserve them for a great many years, and the paint applied to the iron-work would greatly preserve it, but in this case the bearings should not be painted. A coating of lard oil would, however, be found of good service; the bearings would be preserved from rust, and when the machine was brought into use in spring or summer it would run much easier than it. machine was brought into use in spring or summer it would run much easier than it allowed to rust all winter. In case paint is thought to be too expensive, petroleum is as good a preservative, though appearance is sacrificed in its use. On a clear day in winter the shingles of buildings might have a coat of whitewash, which would preserve them many years, and though it would not render them fireproof, yet it makes them less liable to take fire. liable to take fire.

WARMTH AND CLOTHING .- If we consider how much less closely the round threads of wool or silk can lie together than the flat fibres of flax or cotton, we can readily understand why the absorptive powers of the latter are so much inferior to those of wool, latter are so much inferior to those of wool, the matted threads of which can take up and retain by capillary attraction a wonderfully large amount of water. But in addition to these many excellencies, the value of wool, especially for underclothing, is still further enhanced by the healthy friction which it exercises on the skin, helping to remove or brush away excreted matter, which might otherwise accumulate and seriously obstruct the pores, and this it does doubtless in virtue of these scales or imbrications, microscopic though they be. There is thus every reason for urging that woollen garments, thick or thin according to the season, should constantly be worn next to the skin, for although silk is no doubt almost as suitable for underclothing, owing to its much greater cost it can sink is no dood amost as sample for under-clothing, owing to its much greater cost it can never come into general use for such pur-poses.—From Article by a Government An-alysi, in Cassell's Family Magasine.

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