

Scientific and Useful.

TOMATOES.

A gardener of Todenastor, England, is growing his tomatoes altogether from cuttings. He finds that he can thus propagate any special variety more surely than by seed, and that the plants struck from cuttings are much more fertile and productive than those grown from seed.

LUNCH OF A PISH FOR THE.

Take one or two chickens, boil in a small quantity of water, when thoroughly done remove the skin. Then take all the meat from the bones, keeping the light and dark separate, chop and salt to taste.

HARD SOAP.

Take hard wood ashes and run off lye; when it will cut a feather when boiling add any kind of grease, and boil until thick; then to twenty gallons of soap stir in one gallon of salt; do not let it boil after the salt is put in, I make two kettles; then melt the two together, adding lye enough to melt it; when it boils add another quart of salt; let it stand over night; then cut out in pieces to suit taste.

PRESERVING FRESH MEAT.

A correspondent of the Journal of the Society of Arts, suggests that Europeans learn of the Chinese a cheap and effectual process for the preservation of meat in the fresh state. He writes that some years since, when in Canton, he observed in several preserved-meat shops, pigs cut in half, like a side of bacon, geese, ducks, etc., the latter being quite flat, and the whole covered over with a light brown preparation, said to be lacquer, such as is used for tables, and it certainly smelled like it.

JOHNNY-CAKE WITH EGGS.

Two cups of sweet milk; half a teaspoonful of sugar; two eggs well beaten; a small teacup of white flour mixed with a teaspoonful of baking powder, and cornmeal enough to make a batter. Sometimes I begin with the meal and scald it, and then use only one cup of sweet milk and no baking powder with no definite proportion of white flour—enough to make the batter right.

GRASSING A SLOPE.

A steep slope may be grassed over without sodding by first smoothing the surface and then mixing a tough paste or mortar of clay, loam, and horse manure with sufficient water. The grass seed, which should be a mixture of Kentucky blue grass and white clover, should be thickly but evenly scattered upon the moist surface of this plaster as it is spread upon the bank.

EFFECT OF SALTING BUTTER.

The well known fact that in the whole of Northern Europe all butter, without exception, is salted immediately on its production, while in the Southern countries none but the most inferior butter is either sold or used salted, led to the investigation of the effect of the salt by Martini. This included analyses of salted and unsalted butter by Prof. Muller, and the conclusion was reached that the use of salt is advantageous to both the consumer and producer.

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