Household Notes

IRON RUST.—Kerosene whiting mixed will remove iron rust.

This combination will also clean tins perfectly, and will remove stains from porcelain baking dishes.

CORN is scarce in the market, and is becoming somewhat hard and tough. Corn fritters may be made this hard corn. Slit down the middle of each row of kernels and scrape out the pulp. To a pint of pulp add a gill of milk, two beaten eggs, salt, and pepper, and enough flour to make a thin batter. Fry like fritters or pan-cakes. These are very nice with chicken.

GREEN TOMATOES, cut in halves, rolled in flour, and fried in drippings, are delicious for breakfast After the tomatoes are fried pour all but a very little of the drippings out of the pan, add a dessertspoonful of butter, and add slowly half of three quarters of a cupful of rich milk. Pour this sauce over the tomatoes. Broiled ham accompanies this dish.

CROSS-STITCHING loses none of its popularity, and is being much used in upholstering chairs and small stools. It is good on mahogany and colonial shapes. Another revival is darned net. Beautiful curtains are being made of coarse net darned the old patterns. This is one of the simplest of arts and also one of the

A COMBINATION suit hanger is a device appreciated by city dwellers, whose wardrobe and closet space is always limited. The skirt-hanger is an automatic arrangement that holds garment in shape by its own weight. The coat or waist-hanger is above and is the familiar semi-circu-

A COOKING TEACHER advises a gainst washing or soaking sliced lo-tatoes before frying them. Soaking takes the starch out, but makes the potatoes tough. The same authority tells how to make baskets of fried potatoes in which to fried smelts or other small fish. Slice the potatoes into straws, dry them thoroughly, and line a small wire strainer with the straws. They should be well packed. Put over them a second wire strainer, a size smaller than the first. This will hold them in place when they are plunged into the smking fat. Fry for five or six minutes, lift out of the kettle, and drain. Pass a small knife around the edges between the potatoes and the strainer, when the baskets will come out easily. Roll the fish in crumbs or flour, dip them in beaten egg, and again roll in crumbs cr flour, and fry in deep fat. Serve the fish in the baskets, which place dainty napkins. Garnish with fried potatoes and lemon.

A Vast Fortune Awaiting Irish Heirs

Mr. J. D. B. Gribble, who has been in Longford for the past three weeks seeking for heirs to the Nellie Sheridan fortune of half a million sterling, has returned from Baitimore, where he ascertained by tradition that the father of this lady lived for some time, 'verted to Protestantism, and married a wife be longing to that religion. Mr. Lamong (Mr. Gribble's secretary), who to Galway on the same quest, has learnt there that the foregoing statement is traditionally true, and that Nellie Sheridan's father, after marriage in Baltimore, proceeded to Galway, where he obtained ployment with relatives of General this daughter's husband) city of water bailiff. In the a Press interview on Thurs-Gribble said he would sughat the Government should be ed with a view to inducing grant a local inquiry, quiry in London, where the acts of the case could be set t, so as to show that there are scendants who have a claim, alough they could not really estabrom any register. An applibe made that the ent should authorize certain to deal with this money, not principle of giving the whole ormous fortune to one or is, but to distribute it in amongst the descendants, ittered all over , Longnd Roscommon as well, fit them and benefit the If the Government refused stribute this money



to any of the relatives of Nellie Sheridan, as the money belonged to the County Longford, it ought to go back to the County Longford in some other shape.

Asked as to how he proposed that it could possibly find its way back to the County Longford in the manner suggested, Mr. Gribble said by Parliamentary intervention it might be vested in trustees and applied in the manner they thought best. The Carlton Charity, he pointed out, so vested, and it is applied towards providing marriage portions for the sons and daughters of day laborers in the Counties of Longford, Meath, and Westmeath. Now, when there is a spirit abroad in Ireland to check emigration this enormous sum of money could be devoted, say, to the purchase of estates in the counties identified with the name of Nellie Sheridan, and the land so acquired ould be parcelled out in farms, and vomen who would otherwise obliged to emigrate.

Mr. Gribble said his programme for the immediate future is to examine the archives in Castleforbes, the residence of Lord Granard, at whose place General Blake was staying at the time of his romantic marriage with Nellie Sheridan. He would afterwards proceed to Durham, the family seat of General Blake, and whence the latter was disinherited on account of his marriage with Nellie Sheridan. There would, he was confident, be some record there of such an important event in the history of the Blake family, and it was very likely the name and pedigree of the lady General Blake married also be traceable. He would afterwards go to Scotland Yard, where he expected to unearth an important Some years ago two London solicitors, who were unsuccessful in tracing this fortune for a client, thought they would annex it themelves by means of forged documents. They were prosecuted and sentenced to terms of imprisonment. Whilst in prison one of the solicitors, by name Kelly, committed suicide. He (Mr Gribble) would trace all particulars connected with this prosecution as Scotland Yard, London, out which he hoped to unravel some important information. Finally, would call upon Mr. Fells, one of the solicitors, whose name was attached to the advertisement issued in the London "Times" to the next of kin of Nellie Sheridan at the time of her death in the year 1876.

Much interest has been taken he investigations being made by Mr. Gribble by residents in Longford, Roscommon, and Cavan, and there re claimants from King's County,

Cork, Meath, Westmeath, and Louth. In connection with the revival of an effort to find out the heirs to a legacy of half a million sterling, at present in the English Chancery Court, and left by the widow of Gen eral Blake, who died intestate 1876, Mr. John Higgins, of Barrack street, Nenagh, states that he has the fullest information, family pedigree, etc., from official documents and other reliable sources, as he has made extensive searches on behalf of two nephews and two nieces of deceased. He says the cause of the nephews and nieces not proceeding with their case is that they are humble circumstances and not able to go into court, but they expect soon to receive the help of a friend. who will endeavor to put their claim before the proper authorities, whon they hope to satisfy with proof of the kinship to the late Mrs. Blake.-Belfast Irish Weekly.

Real Versus

ment of reform. The world's methods of reform are noisy and specta-cular; and mingled with them is always a great deal of insincerity, not to say hypocrisy.

For years past the country has peen the prey of dishonest public officials. From the highest lowest departments of state speculation has been the rule, and honesty the exception. The national government has furnished its quota of empezzlers. The states have produced their contingent of scoundrels. The great cities have vied with both in the output of this monumental rascality. The grand juries from end to end of the land are working time to indict the boodlers before the statute of limitation steps in to shield them.

Here in St. Louis and throughout Missouri we have discovered an form homesteads for young men and palling state of public morality. Our Lieutenant-Governor has resigned and turned state's evidence to escape gong to the penitentiary. A mayor, a president of our Council and speaker of our house of delegates are proved to have taken bribes. oors of the state's prison will soon swing outward to receive eighteen ex-members of our municipal assembly who have been convicted of boodlery. From present tions more than one-half of the general assembly will be indicted for bribe-taking in the course of their official duties. The people of this state are horror-stricken at the revelations. The next election will be conducted on lines of more vigorous prosecution of public plunderers and general reform in the public service.

A mistake will be made if the people conclude that only those can be trusted with the government of the tate who have made a record prosecuting bribe-givers and bribeakers. The present activity of the state's prosecuting attorneys is not so much due to their zeal and energy as to the recklessness of the criminals and the boldness of their transactions. It was simply impossible to longer conceal the operations of the official bandits who were preying on the public. The thieves fell out and the people came to their own. The people at large are honest. The rank and file of both the great political parties are honest. We should sorry to think that only those Democrats in the State can be trusted who have been connected officially with the prosecution of boodlers. But one thing is quite certain; no man can be elected to a state office at the next election who does make plain his position on boodlery and who does not satisfy the people that that class of criminals have no mercy meted out to them, either by the legislative or the executive branch of the Government. The man whom the boodle will be ingloriously defeated. Booders will decide the fate of the state and municipal tickets at the next election. It won't do to simply say that boodlery must be put down; it must be put down in spite of the boodlers themselves.

We have no choice for any office, state or municipal; but we do not want the people to start off on wrong chute, and jeopardize all that has been gained in the past twelve months. There will be in the field at the next election: the Republican, the Democratic and the Penitentiary ticket. The last named will seek fusion with either of the two farmer. Its supporters will be watched. It will be simply impossible for the Democrats to win, no matter how much money they ceive from the boodlers, if their skirts are not clean of any association with convicts. But it is unfair to confine the choice of candidates to Spectacular Reform their prosecution. There are as good Democrats who have never had opportunity to strike a blow against We have said before that we have little confidence in any active reform that speaks above a whisper. Reform must begin from within and work outwards. The Confessional is the one divinely appointed instru-

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