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A Good Way of Cooking Onions .-It is a good plan to boil onions in milk and water; it diminishes the strong taste of that vegetable. It is an excellent way of serving up onions, to chop them after they are boiled, and put them in a stew-pan with a little milk, butter, salt, and pepper, and let them stew about fifteen minutes. This gives them a fine flavor, and they can be served up very hot.

To Pickle Meat in One Day.-Get a tub nearly full of rain or river water, and put two pieces of thin wood across it, and set the beef on them at about the distance of an inch from the water. Heap as much salt as will stand on the beef, and let it remain twentyfour hours; then take the meat off and boil it, and you will find it as salt as if it had been in pickle for weeks-the water having drawn the salt completely through the beef.

Boiled Indian Pudding .--- Take one pint of sour milk, half a tea-cup of molasses, two table-spoonfuls of butter or lard, one tea-spoonful of soda, one half cup of chopped raisins, or any kind of fruit; stir in corn meal as thick as can be stirred. Boil two hours in a thin pudding-dish, with a lid to shut tight, leaving room to rise. Serve with sugar and cream, flavored with lemon or vanilla, or sweet sauce or syrup.

Sleep and How to Procure It .-- I ha no hesitation in saying that the proper thing to do is to go to sleep immediately-or at least very soon-after the meal of the day. All animals go to sleep, if they are not disturbed, after eating. This is especially noticeable in dogs; and the great John Hunter showed by an experiment that digestion went on during sleep more than when the animal was awake and going about. This is his experiment: He took two dogs and gave them both the same quantity of food. One of them was allowed to go to sleep; the other was taken out hunting. At the end of three or four hours he killed both of these dogs. The food in the stomach of the dog which had been asleep was quite digested; in that of the one which had been hunting the food was not digested at all. Kind . Treatment Pays .- Mr. Willard in his new "Butter Book," speaks in the strongest terms in favor of kind treatment of cows kept for the dairy "It is really astonishing," he says, what a large difference in the yield of milk it makes by attending properly to a number of small things in the management of stock-things which would seem to many quite too insignificant to be worth observing. The dairyman should have a genuine, hearty love for the animals under his control, attending to every detail for their comfort, providing wholesome, nutritious food, pure water and pure air-every thing of this kind in abundance-keeping the animals properly sheltered from storms; feeding always with great regularity; paying the most marked attention to the manner and time of milking, and withal, preserving a uniform kindness and gentleness of treatment throughout every operation, a gentleness extended even to the tones of the voice. "Generally speaking, that cow will do her best that is loved the best and petted the most by those who have her in charge. If you wish a cow to do her best, you must cultivate her acquaintance intimately, and be unsparing in little acts of kindness. You may whip and torture a cow into submission, but she willstrike the balance against you in Sunday School Books of all kinds and the milk pail. One of the greatest faults among dairy farmers to-day is a lack of kindness and consideration to domestic animals. Cows should be pet- Stationery, Pens, Ink, &c., &c., in all styles J. R. WOODBURN.

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