

both in public and private, where this purifying agent may be advantageously employed, must be obvious. It is sometimes desirable to prevent the rapid change of a dead body previous to interment; this would be accomplished by a small quantity of the dry powder within the coffin, or by the application of the moistened cloths.

In descending into vaults, pits, sewers, &c. if the air breathed, has passed through a sponge which has been wet with the solution, the person can remain some time without injury in situations where others, not so provided, would infallibly be destroyed.

The use of this substance in the sick chamber will be found a source of no slight comfort, and even safety in some diseases; and it has been applied to ulcer and putrescent sores with manifest advantage.

The effect of this chemical agent is not like that of vinegar, and the various substances resorted to on occasions like the above; it does not merely disguise the odour, it chemically decomposes and destroys it. It is perfectly innoxious, and not expensive, unless purchased in small quantities, usually sold in small tin boxes; it should be obtained from the manufacturer by the pound.

Preserving Smoked Meat, &c.—(Extract of a letter from the late Thomas Gold, Esq. formerly President of the Berkshire Agricultural Society, to the Editor of the N. E. Farmer.)—You have published in your valuable "New England Farmer," several methods for preserving smoked meats. Much experience has enabled me to offer you a prescription on the subject that never has, and never will fail of answering the purpose viz.—preserving those meats safe from the ravages of all small animals, and pure and sound for any length of time, and in any climate. It is the use of Charcoal. My mode of putting down any kind of smoked meats is thus: Take a tierce or box and cover the bottom with charcoal, reduced to small pieces, but not to dust;

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