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To Control a Province.

A COMMERCIAL PROMOTER FOILED.

Practical extinction as a government was threatened the province of Newfoundland, if the big plans of a Scotch plutocrat had been indorsed at the election last month. Newfoundland's present troubles gan in 1880 when a period of railroad building set in. An American firm and also the colonial government be-came involved and finally a Scotch contractor, R. G. Reid, a successful C P R R bridge builder, took hold. In three years he pushed the Newfoundland transinsular line 280 miles inland and under a second contract completed the road clear through to the east coast. He received \$15,600 a mile, payable in 4 per cent 40-year colonial bonds, for constructing the line, and these he easily marketed at about par in London. When completed, the syswas 630 miles long and cost \$10,-000,000.

The operation of the system became a serious problem for the colonial gov-ernment, as it could not be done on a paying basis. The wily Scotchman of-fered to operate it for 10 years for a grant of 5000 acres land to each mile of road, and the offer was accepted. But his schemes of land and mineral development came slow, so he proposed to operate it 20 years more for an ex-tra 2500 acres to each mile. But perular suspicions were aroused and at the election the conservatives succeeded the liberals. But Mr Reid was cunning. The minister of finance co-operated in his behalf.

At this point one of the most auda-cious moves ever made by a private capitalist among a self-governing peo-ple was quickly executed. Then Reid elaborated a scheme by which he was to take over the whole productive masets of the colony and administer them as a private business enterprise.

"Reid was to take over and operate the railway for 50 years for an extra 2500 acres of land to a mile, and to pay a million dellars, cash down, for the reversion of the ownership at the end of that period. If he failed in the operation at any time during the 50 years he was to lose his money and the line ne was to lose his money and the line revert to the colony. The dry dock in St John's, built by the government to accommodate and repair the host of disabled stoamers which make the port every year, he was to buy for \$225,000, little more than half its cost. Telegraph lines, 1000 miles in all, which cost \$200,000, he was to buy for \$125,000, lie was to provide eight steamers to ply around the different sections of the coast, to carry mails, passengers and around the different sections of the COAST. to carry mails, passengers and freight for 30 years, for \$150,000 a year in subsidies. His land grants were to asgregate over 4,000,000 acres of the choicest arable, mineral and timber areas in the island."

This contract, by which Reid secured the railway at a tenth its cost, tole-graph lines and dry dock at half their cost, the government and legislature indersed. When the minister's secret connection with Reid became known

the governor dismissed him on an hour's notice. Then began an ngitation of great violence. But Reid would not down. He proposed a limited stock liability company, to be capital-ized at \$25,000,000, but which was re-Then began a war in carnest. Reld organized a new political party, with the ex-minister at its head, and last month the great struggle was to elect him. But the people took up the liberty issue and the Reid party was completely buried out of sight, securing only six of the 36 seats in the legislature. People are now wondering what the next move of both the government and Mr Reid will be.

Interesting Reading for Fruit Growers

is the article on our fruit page from the article on our fruit page from the secretary of the Ontario fruit growers' association. The English people import large quantities of fruit annually, and with a little well-directed effort, as is now being done, a good trade can be built up with Canada. just as has been done with our export egg and cheese trade, as referred to elsewhere in this issue. An extensive trade of this kind must be begun slowly and worked up gradually along lines indicated by the experience gain.d. It is right that both the Dominion and provincial governments assist in the introduction of our fruit abroad. No better qualified man can be found in the Dominion to prepare the fruit for shipment than the able secretary of the Ontario frait growers' association.

Counting Noses.

Preparations are now being made the next Dominion census. Mr Archibald Blue of the Ontario civil service having been made chief commissioner. This census is taken every 10 years, the last being in 1891, by Commissioner Johnson, who introduced several wholesome changes which should be conformed to in taking the census next year.

New Ideas in Farming.

Only the big specialists, large commission merchants and managers of railroads fully comprehend the enormous development of diversified agri-culture, especially during the past ten or fifteen years. The peach industry alone is extending at a remarkable rate, especially throughout the middle south. The increase in the area de-voted to large and small fruits, not only in the United States but in Canada, is one of the striking phenomena of the times. Other specialties are being developed on a smaller scale. I expect to see 100 millions of dollars invested in sugar beet culture and man-ufacture during the next four years. New crops and new uses for old crops, are the order of the day. Progress is in the air. Science and practice are in the air. Science and practice are uniting to help the American farmer. International live stock exposition at colors who are up with the times, are not should do so. As we go to press it each.

"NICHOLAS OF DEERBROOK,"

A powerful story of Adventure, Love and Mystery, dealing with an inheritance wrongfully withheld, will open in the Dec. 15 number of Farm and Home. It is by Florence McCallen, whose stories of the Mississippi valley and Texas are immensely popular. The scene is laid in the Mississippi valley, and the tale is of absorbing interest. Watch out for "NICHOLAS OF DEERBROOK."

complaining about their business. They are making money and having fun, too. If one thing doesn't pay they turn to another—they do not stand still. I know many of these men whose plans for next year are already perfected. On the contrary, millions of other farmers are not yet done thinking about this year, much loss considering plans for next season. Let's wake up and get a more on.

Give Our, Farmers Equal Prices.

The three or four large agricultural implement-making concerns of Canada, by having an understanding with each other, and with the aid of a high pro-tective tariff which keeps out Ameri-can machines, are able to keep up prices at home to a high figure. In the broader markets of the world they not only compete with each other, but also with manufacturers ncross the line. The largest Canadian firm making farm implements, managed to sell abroad over \$1,000,000 worth of machinery last year.

The Short Cut.

The P E I legislature has been dis-solved and Dcc 12 appointed as election day. The dissolution an-nouncement was generally received as a surprise.

Great is the influence of the old grange in the states. In 34th annual ression at Washington, last week, President McKinley called its legislative committee in for a conference on agricultural affairs. Great is the pow-er of organized agriculture.

Every stockman who can possibly

bids fair to be one of the greatest and finest aggregations of live stock of all kinds ever brought together in this country. Liberal premiums have made

Although the present Quebec legislature does not expire until May 11, '02, the change in the premiership is taken as an excuse, and an appeal to the people has been made, elections to occur throughout the province Dec 11.

The cold north not only eats plenty of ment to keep warm, but indulges in plenty of corn, which is entered duty free. This fiscal year, Canada exchanged \$2.882,255 for American corn and \$2.405,890 the year before. The corn plant thrives only in favored sections of the Dominion.

If you don't know, ask Farm and Home. No excuse for ignorance on any matter pertaining to the farm or the home. No one too poor to take this paper and thus acquire the price-less privilego of obtaining through its columns any advice or help you need.

Where to Buy.

What a wonderful business directory Farm and Home is! You find in the odvertisements almost everything that can be of use on the farm or in the home. And our advertisers are reliable, too. You can safely do business with them. The best way in which one can keep up with the times and keep posted on labor-saving and profit-earning improvements, is by answering the ads in our columns. State that you saw the ad in F & H, so as to insure the best attention. A few postals or stamps used in answering the ads in each issue of F & H will pay big.

Those Liberal Prize Offers.

Do not forget the liberal prizes offered for experiences of farmers' organizations in co-operative buying and colling. Thousands of such organizations in various forms are doing and have done good work. To write out the details of this work so as to show the benefits of co-operative effort is the object in offering the prizes. Fifty-five dollars cash, divided into 18 prizes, was offered in F & H. Oct 15. The best prize is \$15, smallest 1. If move than 18 especially valuable articles are submitted, the writers will receive a special premium, to be announced later. Let all try. Farmers' clubs, granges, alliances and unions are doing good work. It is the details as to how the work is done I am after. Announcement as to the articles in the contest will not be printed until next month. While there is yet plenty of month. While there is yet plenty of time, it is best to get the experience of your club in early. Wherever possible, send pictures to accompany the article, writing your name on back of

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for more than 100 miles from its mouth, is noted for its beautiful scenery and productive intervale land. The climate is one of the best, although the temperature reaches extreme points for short periods both in summer and winter, yet the conditions are such that for carrying on all branches of work it no doub, excels the provinces lying around us. For any great plan of immigration or colonization, there is no British colony which presents such a field for trial as New Brunswick. This was the official report of the commissioners sent out by the British government to explore a line of railway, more than half a century ago. If such a report could be made at that time, I am sure too much cannot be said from an immigration point of view at the present time. Many broad acres are now under a high state of cultivation which half a century ago were an impenetrable forest, and to-day, with railways extending over all sections, the emigrant is able to accomplish work that was unknown 50 years ago.

The land is gently undulating, without very many high elevations. The

Our Prosperous Agriculture.

NEW BRUNSWICK FARMING.

A RICH PROVINCE AS YET BUT SLIGHTLY DEVELOPED.

HE province of New Brunswick, from anagricultural point of view, is one of the richest provinces in the Dominion Being situated on the sea, its shores and enter the richest province in the find the richest province in the richest province in the richest province in the political point of the richest provinces in the Dominion Being situated on the sea, its shores are indented by deep bays, while the inlaid is beautified by numerous small streams, rivers and lakes. The politic plant river is the St J hn which, though not navigable for large vessels for more than 100 miles from its mouth, is noted for its beautiful scenery and productive intervale land. The cilmate is one of the best, althoring operations of street on the farm. The vest laboring operations of the produced on the farm. The cilmate is one of the best, althoring operations of the produced on the farm. The visit produced on the farm the visit produced on the farm. The visit produced on the farm that shoring operations of the province that the of the visit produced on the farm m



dustry might be considerably increased with advantage both to growers and consumers and it might be considerably increased on the farm for home use.

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OUR CHEESE INDUSTRY.

The value of Canadian cheese exported in 1898 was \$16,980,000, in 1899 \$19,856,000 and this year it will reach very nearly \$25,000,000. The outlook for \$19,856,000 and this year it will reach very nearly \$25,000,000. The outlook for winter dairying throughout the country was never better than at present, so we expect an increase in exports right along. If we can only get all our butter and cheese factories improved so that we can control the temperature and turn out an even quality of fancy goods, having all our makers that exist to stay in the business become horquighly competent, you will be surprised at the extension we can make, and the prices we can get for our goods. The day for selling ordinary butter and cheese is past. Every-body wants fancy goods, and it is our business to see that we have exactly what our friends want. Let us unitedly say to-day that we shall put our factories, and especially our cuiring rooms. In first-class condition, and have our makers attend one of the; excellent dairy schools, so generously provided by our government, and be ir a position for making a decided advancement in the quality of all our goods—[D. Derbyshire, Brockville Co, Ont.

EFFECT OF A HIGH TARIFF.

This can be no better shown than in the export of Canadian eggs, our trade in this product the past 10 yrs having very nearly changed itsbasefrom across the line to across the water. The Mc-Kinley tariff, which went into effect Qct 6, '90, struck our egg trade hard, at that time egg exports going almost entirely across the line.

OUR EGG EXPORT TRADE.
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Amen's the Farmers.

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[Now that crops are harrested and many being sold and rapidly delivered, brief, newsy statements on the results of the season's work are welcomed for this page. There is always more or leas of interest in every section pertaining to live stock; notes of interest to stockment and feeders will also be welcomed. Farmers' institutes, granges and clubs have now started in earnest, and short, pithy accounts of these meetings are always of interest. New ideas and short cuts in farm economy are always telegraphs out by histling farmers; when you catch a new idea, write it out and send to the editor. We have room for jottings of this nature from every purface.]

BETTER TIMES IN QUEBEC.

Farming in Stanstead Co is of the Farming in Stanstead Co is of the mixed variety. Timothy and clover are the principal grasses grown. This year's crop was an average one as regards quantity, but owing to wet weather was not cured and stored in as good condition as usual. The grain crop was harvested in good condition, the most of it having been threshed on an average clear, oats yielding about 60 bu p a, barley 45 and mixed from 60 to 70. Potatoes were a fair crop and very little rot.

The condition of farms and farmers has improved very much in the past 5 yrs, owing in a great measure to the improved methods of farming. This has been brought about by the reading of agricultural books and papers, which has a way knowled a further with farmer way and the same and the same are the farmer way to be supported to the same are the farmer way to be same and the same are the farmer way to be same and the same are the farmer way to be same and the same are the same and the same are th of agricultural books and papers, which has awakened an interest and strife for improvement heretofore unknown. Corn for fodder is extensively grown and has proved of great benefit not alone as a fodder, but in bringing up the farm to a higher state of cultivation. The steady advance in the price of butter and cheese has encouraged the making of a superior article put up in a neat, attractive package, and put on the market in as good condition as when it leaves the factory. Sheep raising is beginning to claim, attention. A few years ago a buyer of lambs would select the best, leaving the farmer the inferior ones to breed from, so that in a few years the flock

the farmer the inferior ones to breed from, so that in a few years the flock ran down and became unprofitable. This is now being reversed, the farmer first selecting the lambs he wishes to keep for breeding and selling the balance. Already a marked improvement is noticeable. The improvement in breeding horses and cattle for purposes for which they are intended was quite generally taken up some for the cattle for purposes. poses for which they are intended was quite generally taken up some 4 or 5 yrs ago, and the results have been very encouraging. The price of land, which was depreciating or at a standstill, has taken an upward turn and is steadily advancing. The feeling of farmers in this section is very hopeful in regard to the future and they are looking forward to still greater prosperity and advancement, to which they, as hard working tillers of the soil, are entitled. [E. H. Heath.

BETTER HORSES NEEDED

There are some fairly good horses in the country, but the general stock of horses are not what is demanded present. In the early settling of this section the patient ox did all the heavy work and a small sized horse was all that was wanted, and there was good hardy stock of that kind, such as filled the bill and supplied the demand of the times very well. These could be kept in good working condition at small expense, which is very important in all farmers' teams.

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Then there came a time, especially among the young men, when something fast was wanted and with small regard to size or form, anything that claimed to have speed was patronized by breeders. This stock soon filled the country with an inferior class of horses, lacking weight and many of them lacking speed and durability. Either from lack of economy and care in the teamster, or a defect in the constitution of the horse, the cost of feeding was much increased, needing more grain to perform the same labor as the pioneer's horse.

and we are called upon to keep up with and we are called upon to keep up with the age in which we live, in horses as well as implements, if we expect to be useful and independent members of so-ciety, and I think a large majority of our farmers are on the right track and hope they will follow the beat until each farmer can look on his team with pride and satisfaction and be able to do his farm work in good shape and be able to put his young and spure horses on the market with profit to himself and satisfaction to purchaser.-[J. Mc-

ROTATION OF CROPS PAYS.

A system of rotation of crops should be so arranged as to economize the natural supplies of fertility contained in the soil. Different crops feed upon different soil ingredients, or at least they require these ingredients in varying quantities. A proper succession of crops brings all the elements of plant food into use and hence prevents any of these from lying idle and being wasted, as for example, by being carried away by water in its constant per-colation through the soil.

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Rotation economizes applied manures
by making use in due time of all their
fertilizing ingredients. When fertilizers are applied to a soil, it will generally happen that any one kind of crop
will not be able to make use of all the
elements of plant food which they contain, and the more general these fertilizers are in their character the less
will be the capacity of any single crop
to use all their plant food components.
A rotation tends to enrich the surface soil. This is owing to the variety
of modes in which plants obtain their
food. Some plants draw large supplies
of their food from the air, while others
gather much plant food deep down in
the subsoil. But by the decay of rootlets and their consequent change to soil

the subsoil. But by the decay of rootiets and their consequent change to soli and for the reason that much of the plant food contained in crops is returned to the soil again as manure, it follows that the surface soil, when under proper cultivation, is being constantly enriched.

A regular succession of crops is helpful in keeping the soil free from weeds. The rotation adopted usually embraces a hoed crop, which, if thoroughly cultivated and kept free from weeds, will aid very much in freeing the farm from that pest.

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A rotation of crops improves the mechanical texture of the soil. When sod or green crops are turned under, an ameliorating effect on the soil is sure to follow.

The increase of destructive insects is The incrense of destructive insects is hindered by a rotation of crops. When but one kind of crop is grown, the conditions favorable to the growth of the insects which feed upon that crop are continued unchanged from year to year. But when another crop is sown and cultivated, the conditions are changed. The insects which the former conditions for

insects which the former conditions fa-vored are more or less destroyed.

Rotation is necessary for the econom-ical feeding of live stock. In the keep-ing of live stock, it is necessary to feed them with a variety of crops, and it will be seen that these can be grown more cheaply when a proper rotation is obcheaply when a proper rotation is observed than would be at all possible otherwise. The length of time required to complete a course of rotation is governed by the kind of crops grown and the amount of land used.—[it. J. Weld.

Ontario-Goderich, the county town of Huron Co, is located on the shore of Lake Huron and has a good harbor and two good elevators, which handle a large quantity of grain. A very fine farming country adjoins the town. The ing weight and many of them lacking speed and durability. Either from lack of economy and care in the teamster, or a defect in the constitution of the horse, the cost of feeding was much increased, needing more grain to perform the same labor as the pioneer's horse.

For the last few years a great change has come over the community in regard to the class of horses needed. A few still prize the sporting horse, but a large number of the more economical and intelligent are trying to raise a horse that will fill the demand of the market best, since the increduction of mowing machines, horse rakes, reapers, binders and seeders. The horse from 1000-1400 lbs is what is wanted on the farm. There is not much call for 800 or 900-1b horse at present. They seem to belong largely to a past age.

frost enough to kill the hardier flowers up to Nov 5, chrysanthemums, asters, carnations and many others were in all their beauty, although they are usually killed in early Oct. Raspberries have a large amount of bloom on and berries nearly grown now.—[W. Warnock.

Nova Scotia-Potatoes and other roots were a good crop in Colchester Co, but too much rainy weather caused Co, but too much rainy weather caused a loss of potatoes on flatland before being harvested. Fruit was a good crop, but sales have been dull. Late Oct and early Nov were fine weather, with a clear sunshine, giving a good opportunity to plow and do other farm work, which has been used to good advantage. Although the harvest was encroaching somewhat seriously on fall labor, a short time longer of fine weather. croaching somewhat seriously on fall labor, a short time longer of fine weather and the fall work will be pretty well done up. The hay crop was good, being a full average and having favorable weather, it was housed in good condition. Grain was a very fair yield, the straw at least was up to a full average, but some of the grain is not turning out well at the thresher. There was a great amount of rainy weather during late Sept and carly Oct, which made it very hard to get the grain harvested. Some of the late grain was hurt by rain before being secured.

Helped by Gas Engine-My 5 h p Helped by Gas Engine—My 5 h p gasoline engine, worth \$250, does the power work on the farm. I can get along now with one team less, b-cause this engine does all my grinding drives the ensilage cutter summer and winter, does the churning and the pumping. It is always ready to start and costs about 2c p hour to feed it. [H. C. Taylor, Elgin Co, Ont.

Will Represent Farmers-By the recent election at least one strong, able Canadian farmer will be sent to parliament, with the courage of his convictions. Running as an independent, in a district where party bossism had become rotten, Jabei Robinson carried the day against both liberal and conservative candidates. Although nominated late, Mr Robinson's strong personality, ability and high standing carried him through with but little electioneering. Mr Robinson made a strong speech in accepting his nomination and will work for several reforms so mu. a recent election at least one strong, able speech in accepting his nomination and will work for several reforms so mu_n needed by farmers. He has been actively identified with farmers' organizations from boyhood, and being a practical farmer as well understands their wants.

Rotation prolongs the producing power of the land. Grow wheat only, or corn, and the soil in time will become corn, and the soil in time will become exhausted of its nitrogen content, but grow clover or some other legume in some kind of alternation with these crops, and the nitrogen depleted by the wheat or the corn is restored by the clover. Even though legumes should not be grown, when other crops alternate some of them draw more heavily on the nitrogen than others, others draw more heavily on its content of potash, hence, though there should be no attempt to restore the fertility of the lend, it will take a considerably longer period to deplete the soil of its fertility than if only one crop were grown.

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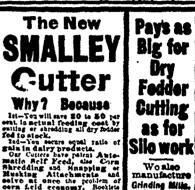


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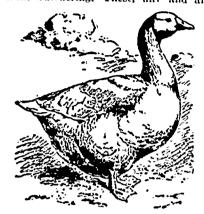
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The Poultry Yard.

A RICH WINTER FOOD.

There is hardly a food fowls of all There is hardly a food fowls of all kinds relish more during winter than a pan of freshly cut green bone. As men relish a meat diet in winter, so do poultry crave meat and bones. Nearly every family can buy bones of the butcher, or have bones on the farm from butchering. These, any and all

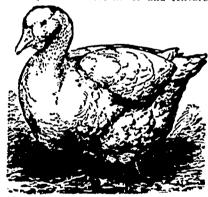


PURE-BRED EMBDEN GOOSE.

of them, cut into fine hash, make a most airpetizing food, and especially for laying hens
In cold winter weather, a supply of fresh bone, with a little green feed, will counteract the effect of too much gran. The lime of the bone helps to strengthen the bone and to cover the egg with a hard shell, while the nitrogen and phosphorus help to make up the yolk and albumen. For the molting fowls, nothing will push out feathers faster or give a more brilliant plumage. The bone in winter will keep fresh after being cut for several days, so that by an hour's work with a good sharp cutter a big supply can be prepared. Besides being a most valuable food, it is one of the cheapest. Bone cutting machines are simply made, easily kept sharpened to cut fast and operate easily.—[F. E. Hubbard, Schoharie Co, N Y.

GEESE FOR MARKET.

For the holiday markets, a rather late-maturing goose is desirable. The bulky Toulouse fils these requirements, but the flesh is a trifle coarse. To get the precise qualities desired, numerous crosses have been tried, including the common breeds and the wild variety. The finest flavor and texture



EMBDEN-TOULOUSE GOOSE.

of flesh was no doubt the result of mating the wild gander with the African goose, the progeny reaching the murket as the famous mongrel goose of Rhode Island.

The cross ranking next in favor, and one far more practicable for the average producer, is the cross of Embden gander on Touloose goose. The Embden-Toulouse matures at about the right season for the Christmas trade, has the heavy, compact, short-bodied, cp-keeled build of the Toulouse, and is claimed to grow meat of better quality, owing to the Embden blood. It has the great vigor usual in cross-bred fowls. The different makeup for the cross-bred is strikingly shown by comparison with the illustration of a typical full-blood Embden, from a drawing by Sewall. The pure-bred Embden is itself a very popular and practical market breed.

To fatten for market the young geese

To fatten for market the young geese should be cooped for two or three weeks

before killing. In the leading centers of goose taising in the United States and Canada there is a class of professional fatters, who buy the fowls from fatmers and finish for market. It sometimes happens that the fatter gets a larger profit than the grower. The fattening goese are placed in coops too small to allow much exercise, are kept free from causes of fright and disturbance and fed three times a day as much as they will eat. A favorite fattening ration is a stiff, crumbly dough of four-fifths fine corn meal and one-fifth dried meat scraps. Plenty of grit and drinking water are supplied. Feeding is continued so long as the appetite holds out well.

Killing is done by cutting the artery is the roof of the mouth. A ring of teathers is left on the neck and a tuft on the tip of the wings. The wings are tied to the body with a string passing around the carcass. Plumping is done as usual by placing the carcass in water for an hour, until given a full and rounded appearance. The poultry may be shipped in boxes or barrels, a layer of ice between the layers of goese.

RANKIN'S DUCK RATIONS.

The well-known pioneer New England duck farmer. James Rankin, feeds his breeding birds in fall and early winter as follows—Three quarts wheat bran, 1 as follows Three quarts wheat bran, 1 part out feed. 1 part commeal, 5 per cent but f scraps, 5 per cent grit, and all the green feed they will eat. In the shape of corn fodder (cut fine), clover, or out fodder. Feed this mixture twice a day, all they will cut. When the laying season begins, about Feb 1, they get equal parts of wheat bran and commeal, 20 per cent out feed, 10 per cent boiled turnips or potatoes, 15 per cent clover rowen, green rye or refuse cabbage, chopped fine, 5 per cent of grit. Feed twice a day all they will eat with a lunch of corn at noon. Keep grit and oyster shells constantly by them.

Dressing Squabs.-Kill when crop is empty, cutting the artery at the 166f of the mouta. Begin to pick at once, taking extra ca. not to tear the skin. When clear of feathers, plump the carcass by soaking half an hour in salted water. Assort in pairs. Fold the wings over the backs and pack neatly for shimment shipment.

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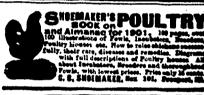






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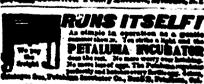




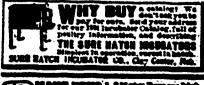


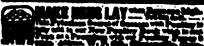












Canadian Horticulture.

EXPORT OF TENDER FRUITS.

OR some years past the Dominion dept of agri has been making experiments in the interests of fruit growers for the development of growers for the development of an export trade with Europe of our more tender fruits, such as summer apples, pears, peaches and grapes. Great difficulties have been encountered in the carrying out of this vork, owing to the unsatisfactory accommoda-tion for celd storage of fruits on shipboard. The compartments are too large for trial shipments of fruit only and had to be filled up with butter, eggs and other produce for which the temperature was often held below freezing point. As a result many of our first attempts were failures, because the ship engineer failed to keep anything like an even temperature and the fruit suffered in the interests of other produce. Finally, however, at great experse, the dept of agri succeeded in getting from the steamship company a guarantee that they would hold the fruit between certain specified limits of temperature. With this condition secured, the later shipments have proved quite successful and we have been able to land pears, and even peaches, in fair condition in Great Britain.

It is evident, however that varieties usually grown for our Canadian markets are entirely unsuitable for export purposes, and we must turn our atten tion to varieties which have the following four points of excellence, which are important in the order named 1. Carrying qualities; 2, appearance, 3, size; 4, quality. Given these four points, we may count upon working up a successful business in the export trade, provided the grading and packing is properly attended to at this end of the line. This important provision neglected, the whole thing will be a failure.

The export of grapes, however, is a and had to be filled up with butter, eggs and other produce for which the tem-

neglected, the whole thing will be if failure.

The export of grapes, however, is a much the experimental shipment consisted of several carlonds of Concord and Ningara grapes, the varieties usually grown in our country, and which so often glut our home markets. For this reason it was most desirable to open up an e. port market for these varieties and thus advance the mark price for them so that the growing of them would still be profitable. Unfortunately, these varieties were not well received by the English people. One English receiver reported that the flavor was very distasteful, and the return for these varieties were not sufficient to pay the freight, charges, let

the English receiver reported that the flavor was very distasteful, and the return for these varieties were not sufficient to pay the freight, charges, let alone the packages and the fruit itself Besides this trese varieties are too tender to carry a long distance and when received not only were the skins broken, but the berries ratched off the stems very badly, making them very unfit for an Englishman's desert table. In the fall of 1899, the writer recommended to the Ont dept of argit that an experiment be made with our best flogers grapes, and that these be the only kind sent forward in a trial shipment. Since Ont is the province most interested in the export of grapes, the Hon John Dryden, minister of agriculture, considered it quite proper that ne should make a special effort to encourage this work, and a shipment of some 500 cases was sent forward to Munchester. Eng. The cases were flat, about 5 in deep and 24 in long, each containing four 5-lb veneer baskets with wire handles. At first the buyers looked with gr at suspicion upon these Canadian grapes after having been prejudiced by the Niagara and Concord class, but by and by the costermongers were induced to take them out on the streets of Manchester, and aftor disposing of the first lot at very low prices, they came back willing to pay a higher price for a second supply. The consignees wrote that it was their belief that if a constant and regular supply-of Canadian grapes could be placed their hands that eventually paying returns would be realized.

During the fall of 1900 further efforts have been made in the direction of developing the export of Canadian grapes so he have been made in the direction of developing the export of Canadian grapes by both the Dominion and the provincial departments of agriculture. Another package was also tried in addition to the one tried last year. This was a cate containing 124-lb baskets, each provided with a wire handle and a neatily printed cover. Some of these works said by racellon and sone of the seedlings are fine

only about 142c per lb, less money than ample. The gooseberry is more diffi-these grapes were worth in our own cult to propagate than the currant.— vinoyards, but a later shipment brought [Stanley Spillett, Sincoe, Co, Ont.

nbout 4c.

The conclusions we draw from the experiments so far made are that, if continuous shipments of our graps s can be made to the British markets the will soon command satisfactory prices and prove a fine outlet for some of our best varieties. Of the varieties tested those which seem to carry best at Salem. Lindley and Wilder. In packing for export, it is very important that the grapes should be gathered a couple of weeks before they are packed in order that the stems may be thoroughly died and thus prevent mold on the Journey. If this precaution is not attended to they will shrink so much after packing that the packages will seem to be improperly filled. An undertaking of this kind is one which no individual can carry out unaided, but some of the more interested fruit growers, members of the Out fruit growers as members of the Out fruit growers as members of the Out fruit growers as a have interested the dept of agri in this export trade, and we hope the work will not be dropped until it has been pushed forward to a successful have [Sexy L. Woolverton, Out Fruit Growers] The conclusions we draw from the ex-L. Woolverton, Ont Fruit Growers

HINTS ON THE GOOSEBERRY.

The sooseberry has been among the least popular of the small fruits grown in America, while in Europe, especially in Britain, so fruit is more generally used by both Art. a. d poor, Since more attention has been given to the improvement of our own native varieties, this fruit has grown rapilly in favor. If size is everything then it is no wonder that we prefer to accept the improved varieties of Europe rather than go through the long process of improving our own sorts.

By cultivation and selection the single European variety, I'va crispa, which is infinitely inferior in 8'10 and sele quality to our native varieties, has been improved in size and quality until the present English groseberry, so called, is the result. In size some of these varieties rival the finest plums and in quality a. scarcely inferior to the yeach. It is no wonder then that we should prefer to test all these im-proved varieties one small task either. broved varieties the small task either, to their name is legion), in the hope of finding one or more suitable to our soil and elimate, rather than go through the long provess of improving our own, though our own are apparently far more improvable than the European variety. variety.

variety.

After years of experimenting, during which time some 60 European varieties and all their direct seedlings have been tested. I am satisfied that our future gooseberry will be an improved native variety. The European may be used as a cross upon our own, as in Pevrl and Red Jacket. It is not their susceptibility to mildew alone that makes the foreign varieties unsatisfactory in this country, but also a lack of vigor Many of the English varieties sent here for testing do not produce wood en ugh to keep alive

FOREIGN DEMAND FOR APPLES

is fair but not urgent. Europe ought to take 3,000,000 bbls or upward from the U S and Can, but must buy at a fister pace than up to this time to make the total before close of the sea-sen. Dealers in the UK. German, sea. Dealers in the UK, Germany, Belgium, etc. report a fairly good de-mand, but say the trade there believes we have a big surplus and objects to high prices, unless quality is excep-tionally fine.

As in former years, there is the old complaint of faulty packing, and this injures the trade. The home markets are hardenin, somewhat and growers in the commercial apple sections, NY, Mich. Sie, Pa, Mo, etc, are getting little better prices.

Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Assn does not offer money prizes, but hand-some cards of award. The annual midwinter meeting is well attended and the exhibits most attractive. This winter's exhibit will be held in late Jan ter's exhibit will be held in late Jan and under the following classes: Best exhibit of apples grown on one farm, one plate each variety, five sorts, grown on one farm, one plate each variety, five sorts, grown on one farm, one plate each, but exhibit of apples, not less than 10 sorts, from any county west of Hallfax (Hants, Kings and Annapolis excluded), best exhibit of apples, not less than 10 sorts, from any county east (including Hallfax), but excluding Hants, Kings and Annapolis, as above; best plate Bladwin, best plate Banks, best plate Blenheim, best plate Ben Davie, best plate Blenheim, best plate Ben Davie, best plate King, best plate Gravenstein, best plate King, best plate Rigger, best plate Stark, best plate Wagner; new and promising commercial apple, not in above list; new and promising commercial apple, not in above list; new and promising table apple, in season, not in above list; appearance and quality to count; collection winter pears, grown on one farm; plate of pears, plate of quinces, plate of cranberries, collection of cranberries, named varieties, collection of cranberries, named varieties, collection of fruit in glass jars, preserved for table use; collection of fruit in glass jars, preserved for show alone; exhibit of evaporated fruit. and under the following classes: Best

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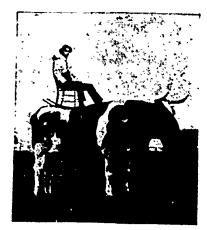
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LEARNING TO MILK.

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it" is as true of pracshould go, and when he is old he will not depart from it" is as true of practical everyday duties as of lessons in morality, etc. A duty often neglected by many farmers is that of properly treining the boys to milk. This includes something more than the simple operation of drawing the lacteal fluid, although it is an art, and probably not more than one in 10 persons are experts, that is, thoroughly understand the art and practice it in a scientific namer. The child in training should be old enough to understand the responsibility, should be neat as possible as to clothing and especially as regards the hands. A few lessons on this point of personal cleanliness will instill right ideas, especially if demonstrated in the habits of the teacher. Theory and practice ought to go hand in hand here.

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Next in importance, he should be taught to properly care for the cow; should see that the udder is free from all dirt and if solled to remove by bathing in tepid water and wiping dry before beginning the operation of milking. If the udder be clean apparently it should be well brushed to remove loosened hair, scurf, etc. The temper or temperament of the cow submitted to his hands should be understood also. If of a netwous disposition he should be taught to soothe and conciliate, when she is taken with one of her "moods," instead of trying to coerce with blows, always remembering that it is only the simple justice and mercy which a higher organism should show toward a lower, to do so—besides, being a matter of profit and loss. A cow will not do her best under a servicion. She may be made to behave better, but that is as far as your awhority can go. Nature will outwit every time, and the proper flow will be withineld until she gets also better humor.

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Many cows are yearly ruin-d through fear caused by improper treatment. Do not send your boy to take his first lessons in milking of the hired man, unterstanding all preliminaries: ten to one he will march direct from the stables of a morning with clothing full of indescribable suggestions, and as a necessary preliminary, fill his mouth with stables to before beginning operations. If possible, the girls should also receive instructions from one competent to give them. The best milker we ever knew was a woman, it was a positive pleasure to witness her performance. The rythmical flow as the hands rose and fell was enjoyable as music, while all the movements were graceful. Farmers,—for to this class the world looks for its supply of milkmen—see to it that the next generation of milkers understand their business.—[Mrs.]

Don't starve the calf: you can't af-

Don't starve the calf: you can't afford to let it stop growing a minute.

FRAUD IN EXPORT BUTTER.

new trick of the oleo outfit is said to be as follows: A tin package has been adopted for the export trade. It to be as follows: A tin package has been adopted for the export trade. It had a double cover, the upper one of which is stamped plainly with a word to indicate that the ccatents are not genuine butter. The side of the package is stamped with some such phrase as "strictly pure." When the filled package has passed the internal revenue inspection the outside lid is removed—perhaps to be shipped back to the factory and used over again—and there appears another cover bearing the stamped word "butter." This jackage goes abroad and its contents are sold as American butter. When the fluid is disclosed, as it inevitably must be in season, consumers and dealers alike are filled with indignation against the entire American creamery trade and the market for even the purest butter from these shores is destroyed. The problem of fighting the oleo fraud is hard enough to solve on a domestic basis without having the foreign market closed to the products of the dairy through the wiles of the imitation butter makers. The only way to down the oleo outif is to demand the enactment of the Grout bill, which comes up in congress Dec 6. Write your congressman at once.

A Valuable Cow-I have a brown Jersey cow 8 yrs old that has never been fed heavier than 2 qts bran and middlings mixed. Pasture this season was very poor on account of severe drouth. Cow came in Feb 28, raised calf, which sold for \$20, furnished family with all the milk, cream and butter we wanted (we eat little meat, but lots of cream and butter). Have sold 205 ibs butter at an average of 20c, \$41; have on hand, Nov 22, 25 lbs worth 28c, 7, received for calf, 20; after furnishing family have sold 68 for 8 mos and 22 days; is due to come in Jan 8. Nov 5 had milk tested. She gave at morning 10 lbs that tested 9 per cent butter fat. This morning State Inspector Kibble saw her milked and tested same; test gave 5 qts, solids, lactometer 110, butter fat 9 6-10 Babcock test. Now who can beat this record fira 8 Crandall, Cortland Co, N Y. been fed heavier than 2 qts bran and

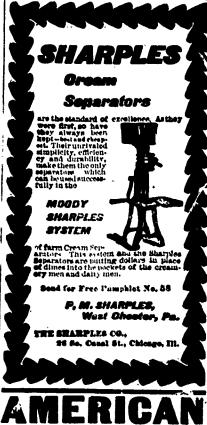
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Winter Daizying will do more for the material welfare of farmers than anything of which I have knowledge. [Commissioner J. W. Robertson.

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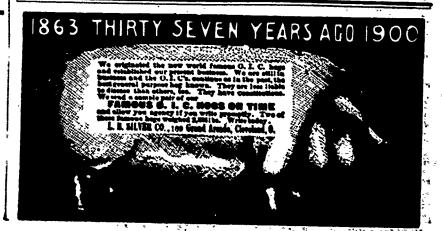
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Before digging make a careful examination to ascertain the course of the natural outlet when overflowing, or if it should be one of the few exceptions that have no natural outlet, the course that will require the least work should be selected and the course of the ditch marked out by stakes, then if it is on meadow land we use a breaking plow to plow a furrow as nearly as possible in the center along the course the ditch is to be made. Plow so as to turn the furrows in from both sides toward the center until a strip is laid out as wide as top of ditch is to be made. With a good road scraper and a pair of stout horses, scrape away all the loose sod. Plow again and scrape off until the required depth of ditch is reached, but for each time plowed, do not run the pow nearer than from 3 to 4 ft from the outside of ditch, so as to make the sides gradually sloping in toward center or bottom of ditch. I always try to have such ditches made when the ground is dry, the drier the better, because it is so much easier to do the work than if done in mud and water.

When making ditches made when the ground is dry, the drier the better, because it is so much easier to do the work than if done in mud and water. After having plowed, run a deep furrow along the course the ditch is to be made, then scrape off the loose top soit toward both sides until the required breadth of ditch is obtained. Make the ditches very wide at the top with gradually sloping sides so we can pass over them with any kind of machinery, this pays well for the time and labor spent. All

pays well for the time and labor spent. All ditches should be made at least 6 in deeper than the lowest surface of the hollow to be drained.—[Lewis Ol-

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If to be driven 2 ft deep, dress two sides in a direct line from lower dotted



line of a, 11 in long. from shoulder to point, making a 1 in point.
Then dress the edges from 12 to 18 in. Edges may be round-ed from shoulder to point. A post dressed more on one side than an-

side than another, as at before line perfectly straight, using 3 ft stakes. Then take a ½ in rope 100 or 200 ft long, stretch tight on line where posts are to be driven. Saw a block 6 in long and rive it into pins ½ in square. Drive a pin where each post is to set.

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Get a mattock, the hoe blade of which is 3 or 3½ in broad and 9 in long and the opposite side with an ax blade 4 in broad and 6 in long. Use the ax and make a mark even with the pins to indicate where posts are to be set. Use the ax again, sinking deep on either side of pin. Then with two or three vigorous diga with the hoe blade, dig out pin and all, thus leaving a hole 10 or 12 in deep for setting a post, leaving the sides solid to hold posts from giving sideways, as there is no danger of them going edgewise, as the entire feace joins in support. Raise a post above hole and settle down hard, which will cause it to sink still deeper. But 3 or 10 in will then be left for the post to be driven. A few solid joits firm 20-lb post mand will sottle it securely.

To gauge the depth, use a straight stick 4 or 6 in longer than the posts are to stand out of ground. Put a gauge mark at bottom and a plumb bob on a string to reach near the ground. Set this garge 3 or 4 in from post to

be driven, ican stick to which string is attached about 6 degrees and govern the fence post by the plumb. Then use a platform, box or stand in wagon, and driving the posts will be of but litthe laber.—[A. Byers, Tex Co, Mo.

Young Colts-On no account should a young colt be driven very fast. Their bones are very soft. I do not believe in feeding them much corn; we want such foods as will produce muscle and

bone rather than fat. Oats, bran and flaxseed meal with a moderate amount of good, bright hay are good the first year,—[Alex Galbraith.

Water Before Feeding as the water will then pass along into the bowels before the grain ration is fed. But if the horse is fed before water is given, because of the small stomach, the food is forced into the bowels before the stomach has performed its share of the digestion and derangement is apt to follow.-[Dr J. C. Curryer.

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Orchard and Garden.

VENTILATION OF CELLARS

Whether or not ventilation is needed in root pit cellars depends on the way in which the roots, tubers or bulbs have been stored. In my own practice have been stored. In my own practice in storing these for seed purposes, that is, to carry over to planting time, I have but little occasion to ventilate my stock over and above the degree necessary to maintain a low, dry temperature. For the most part with beets, carrots and cabbage, I have not found any effort at ventilation called for. They are simply pitted and then left with operations of the law of nature, the natural moisture in the earth preserving them from wilting, and the outside covering of earth, leaves and coarse hay keying them at a low temperature.

A lot of beets sufficient to raise over

and dry ground, of gravel or sand, if possible.

Cellar-kept vegetables, which include onions, potatoes and sometimes some special lot of beets of carrots, we ventilate from coolness during the fall, opening door by night and closing by day, as weather suggests. With the colder weather we close double door and usually double the windows, opening to get rid of damp, warm air now and then in winter, when a dry wind blows. With the return of spring we renew our fall tactics, opening by night and closing door and window by day, the object being to keep the bulbs cool and from sprouting until the proper time has come for planting them out. The same course holds good for those who follow the market. If there is an opening into the building above, this judiciously utilized will be a useful aid in the system of ventilation. When roots or tubers are naissed in pits, bunches of rye straw, protruding at intervals through the covering earth, serve to reduce the heat and moisture that such masses are apt to create.

[J. J. H. Gregory.

RASPBERRY CULTURE.

The raspberry seems to do well on any land suitable for corn, but to reach perfection it must be planted on rather h.avy soil with good drainage but that will retard moisture in times of drouth. The red varieties should be planted in rows 7 ft apart and 4 ft in the rows. and to the new beginner this seems like a waste of lend, but the second year after planting will dispel this

theory.

The first year the plants should have about 1 in nipped off the ends of the canes whe . ½ to 3 ft high. All weeds and young plants should be destroyed by thorough cultivation. In the spring of the second year set at each end of the rows two posts securely braced 12 to 15 in apart and 20 in above the ground. Then stretch strong wire along each side of the rows just as tight as you can get it with a stretcher and staple to the end posts. Then drive under the wire some small stakes about the size of a broom handle every 20 ft apart and put a staple in them. This will keep the wire in place along the rows and will hold up the canes when they would otherwise bend to the ground when loaded with berries.

In spring cut all of the preceding season's old canes out; also about 2 in of each cane of the new wood. Ashes are an excellent fertilizer for raspherries as they are rich in potash, and with a liberal supply of well-rotted manure in the spring should keep the plants in first-class condition. Mulching in the colder latitudes is necessary, as it protects the roots 'againt freezing and thawing.—[Edgar E. Seramis.]

Don't Burn rubbish such as cornstalks, bush peas and bean vines, or any vines, weeds, etc, as they contain a considerable ele ent of potash, etc aside from the chemical change proaside from the enemical enange produced in the compost heap. There is no soil, not even muck land, but can be benefited by these now useless excesses, by being returned to the soil to red to its fertility and improve its mechanical condition.—[J. A. Clark. There is

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For Moving Potatoes, use a scoop made of malleable cast iron rods. It costs but 75c and is far ahead of the wire scoops used by some. After getting the knack of this kind of shoveling, a man can load 50 bu in ½ hour or less tir -[H. C. Wright,

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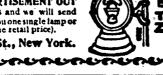
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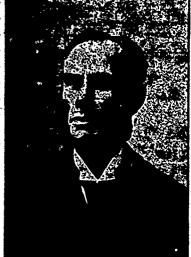
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WORMS-O. G. wants a remedy for worms in the lungs of calves. Give 14 oz turpentine at a dose twice a day in a small bran mush and continue it for sev-

RHEUMATISM—E. L. has some pirs that have hard bunches on the joints of their legs, which make them hame. Also some hogs in another place that have an eruption on their ears, and their eyes matter some. I. Give each pig is to 15 drops oil of gaultheria and I dessertspoon ful of cod liver oil at a dose twice a day and continue it for several weeks. 2. This disease, affecting the ears is a form of eezema. Give each hog 10 gr nitrate of poinssium at a dose twice a day in a little food for two weeks, also mix I or neetine of lead and I or sulphate of rice in I at soft water and apply a little to the affected parts with a mop twice a day.

INJURY-C. B. M. has a hefter that got hooked by a cew last whiter and it does not heal. Examine the wound with a probe, as there is likely something in it which is preventing it from healing. Mix I oz acetate of lead, 1-4 oz sulphate of zine and ½ oz of carbolic acid with I qt of soft water, shake and inject a little twice a day.

LAME ANKLE-G. W R has a mare LAME ANKLE—G. W R has a mare teat has an allment in her fetleck ly nt; she walks on her tee. Put on a show with a toe calk on the loe, but none on the heels of the ship. Keep the animal in the horn. Mix 2 dr cartharldes with 1 oz lad, rub this on the fetlock joint and let it remain on for 24 hours, then wash off. Repeat the blister in three weeks.

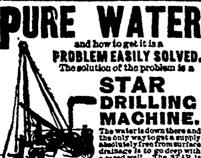
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will: home and home influences tend largely toward making a people what they are and it should therefore be embellished, and therefore be embellished, and made a bower of beauty to its inmates. In no way can this be accomplished so well as by planting ornamental trees and shrubs. In ornamenting home grounds, be they large or small, three things must be taken into considera-The background, the lawn border and the lawn proper.

I know of no better background that would have the desired effect and combine both utility and beauty than one planted with evergreens. On the farm and large suburban lots, plant three

planted with evergreens. On the farm and large suburban lots, plant three rows; first, an outside row of Scotch pine, next of white or Norway spruce and next of white spruce. These three rows will make a complete barrier against storm and wind and at the same time give the desired landscape effect. In planting evergreens on the border they should be grouped but not planted so close as to crowd each other and thus destroy the individuality of the tree, for this is one of the characteristics of the evergreens that must be retained to give the desired effect.

The best trees for this purpose are balsam fir. Douglas spruce and hymleck for grouping. The white pine as a single tree stands without a peer on the pine list, without it is the red pine, which also makes a line tree. All large growing trees, as red and white pine should be planted back in such positions as not to obstruct the vision or the view. The Menzen spruce from the Rocky mountains is a grand tree and must be seen to be appreciated. Its graceful arrangement of branches, together with its heautiful color, makes it a striking object on the lawn. For screens to shut out undesirable views, red cedar and American arbor vitae are the best. In planting in angles or walks and drives where large evergreens are not admissable, plant such lawn and can be utilized in such possitions. Trailing yew is desirable to plant near the house and it makes a beautiful bash covered with red bery rice instead of cones.—[M. J. Wrogg, limit to plant near the house and it makes a beautiful bash covered with red bery rice instead of cones.—[M. J. Wrogg, limit to plant near the house and it makes a beautiful bash covered with red bery rice instead of cones.—[M. J. Wrogg, limit to plant near the house and it makes a beautiful bash covered with red bery rice instead of cones.—[M. J. Wrogg, limit to plant near the house and it makes a limit to plant near the house and it makes a limit to plant near the house and it makes a limit to plant near the house and it makes a limit to plant

For Winter Protection get a dry goods box about the size needed to hold the pots on the window sill. Put hinges on the lid and paper the inside of the box. On cold nights place the plants in pots inside the box, cover and leave them in security. Should the room be extremely cold a small, well-filled lamp may be lighted and left in center of the plants, but there must be an open space for ventilation.—[A. R. Annable, Bradford Co. Pa. the pots on the window all. Put

All the Rex Begonias require partial shade: all need a rest of several weeks during winter, where they may be set back from the light and watered sparingly till the lengthening days call them to a more vigorous life.—[Mrs E. S. Pope, Me.

The Farm Home should be made attractive and beautiful. It is the farmer's home and should at least demand as much proportionate care as the farm lixelf. If this fact would be realized by more farmers the question of "how to keen the boy on the farm" would not be so portentous. Instead of laboring from mora to night on the farm, if the farmer would spend even a half hour cach day in planting hedges, trimming nearby trees and setting out flowers near his home, it would become attractive to the boy and the girl—they would take an interest in the work of the parent, and no spot would be so dear to them as the home farm.—[II. T. Galloway.] as much proportionate care as the farm

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the plants with copious and frequent
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a tub of water, if not too large, and the
leaves of large paims can be sponged
with soapy water. To keep insects off
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migate with tobacco or with hydrocyanic acid gas, but a little care in brushing off scale insects from palms, oranges, etc. with a tooth brush, and dusting the plants with dalmatian powder will usually be found satisfactory. When plants are infested with the greet fly or aphis the best remedy is either to dip the inverted plant in a tub of soap suds or to place the plants under an inverted barrel in a shed or out of doors, and fumigate them with tobacco. This is done by chipping up common plug tobacco, as for loading a pipe, drep a live coal upon a cupful of the chips and place it under the barrel with the plants. One fumigation is not always enough, but if repeated daily for two or three days it will prove effectual.—[W. D. Philbrick.

Irrigation for Small Fruits-An inrestigation of the needs and benefits of irrigation for the east has been carried irrigation for the east has been carried on by Prof E. B. Voorhees of N J and has been published by the U S dept of agri. He estimated that the loss to the N J hay crop of '99 caused by the drouth of May and June amounted to \$1.500,000, while small fruits and vegetables were more seriously affected. In tests which were made with irrigation on small fruits, the yields of the irrigated plats over and above those not irrigated were as follows: Rizzkherries, 1028 ats per nero, worth \$2.42-raspheiries, 329 ats per a, worth \$2.90; currants, \$52 ats per a, worth \$2.90; currants, \$52 ats per a, worth \$2.90; currants of putting in a pumping plant capable of irrigating 10 a ranged from 250 to 500. public of 239 to 260.

Wormy Seed-If we treat our peas and beaus with carbon bisulphide, we shall have no trouble in getting them to germinate. Put a little of it in a saucer and set it on top of an open barrel of seed, covering it with a blanket folded three or four thicknesses. ket folded three or four thushes. [F. E. Dawley, Onondaga Co. N Y

Hydrocyanic Gas is coming into use as an extremely effective agent for killing all manner of bugs, weevils, etc. ing all manner of burs, weevils, etc. what infest mills, factories or houses, it will easily clear a house of bedburs and roaches. This has must be used with extreme care and caution, for one inhalation of it will mean almost instant death other to a human being or to an animal of the lower grade. In Raltimore, where hydrocyanic acid gas was used to kill cigaret beetles which had infested a tobacco warehouse, after the doors had been opened at the close of the fumigation process, rats, mice, ilies, and every living thing which had been so unlucky as to be in the building after the doors were closed, were corpses.—[Guy E. Mitchell. were corpses-|Guy E. Mitchell.

Flowers not only give pleasure to the flowers not only give pleasure to the inmates of the home, but to all flower lovers among the many passersby. A home may be richly and expensively furnished, may possess all the latest fads in fancy work, yet sadly lack the true spirit of home. There is no better home beautifier than dowers.— [Mary S. Huff, Bourbon Co. Kan.

Good Window Plants-The windows of most dwelling houses are fairly good for certain plants that are somewhat indifferent to unfavorable condiwhat indifferent to unfavorable condi-tions. Among the best plants for such places are the common rubber tree. Ficus elastica, the Roston form. Neph-rolepis exaltata Rostoniensis, also the various colored Chinese primrose, the Persian cyclamen, many of the hego-nias, the always favorite geranium and the graceful paims.—[W. D. Philbrick,

The air in most of our dwelling is much two dry for the healthy growth of plants. To redeve this condition it is a good plan to syringe the plants often during bright and sunny weather using a corumon rubber bulb with fine sprinkler for this purpose.

Jottings from the Farmers.

SOME HINTS.

[Written for Farm and Home] I now know how to milk my cows, And tend my chickens, grow my flowers.

See my garden, how it's grown; I learned all from Farm and Home.

My beans are all so long and green. And peas, as fine as e'er was seen. My bbage, white as ocean foam. I learned it all from Farm and Home.

My dresses, don't they fit me well! Just how I make then I will tell.
I get patterns (sure to come),
And other things, from Farm and
Home.

My husband says he wouldn't do Without your paper, not for two Of any other kind, Oh! no'm. 'Cause none can equal Farm and Home, Mus W. J. Prinnls.

WINTER PROTECTION.

Unless protected from the cold weather, large numbers of fruit and orna-mental trees, recently cansplanted from the nursery, will perish during the winter. If a slight protection is given them, many may be kept alive. the winter. If a slight protection is given them, many may be kept alive, An inexpensive shelter may be made by simply binding a few evergreen boughs around them, even completely covering them. In some instances, where the tree is small, it may be well to drive a stake by the side of the tree and bind both the tree and the boughs to it. This will prevent any damage being done by the wind. Grapevines and raspberry bushes may be laid upon the ground and covered with brush. Currant and gooseberry bushes cannot easily be laid that, but may be protected by staking a pole along the rows, just even with the top of the bushes, and letting one end of the boughs rest upoin the ground and the other against the pole. Nothing makes a neuter banking than evergreen brush; it is also inexpensive and set viceable. A temporary shelter for steek may be erected at a slight cost by building a framework of poles and covering with brush.—[C. O. Ormsbee, Washington Co. Vt.

STOP THE LEAKS!

Hecause through them the stock cannot break them Why? this need? By stopping the leaks of time, manure, waste plots, money, etc.

Muny a farmer loses time: it leaks out and is gone he knows not where. 11 going to the blacksmith to get a shoe going to the blacksmith to get a shoe put on don't spend the whole day around the village; that doesn't pay. Step the leaks of time in every way you can, liave a certain hour to start work and start always at that hour. Quit at 6, and the man who knows when his day's work is done will work with much better will and energy than the man who is allowed to work all aight if he is willing to. Leaks in manure materially change the value of the farm and its preduct. Many valuable loads of fertilizer can be produced from apparently valueless material. Draw a load of sods, much litter or swale grass to rently valueless material. Draw a load of sods, rough litter or swale grass to some convenient spot which drains from the house. On this empty all the slops, secasionally adding a little more litter. Do not allow entite or horses to go one-fourth or one-half a mile to some creek or pond for water and leave on the next what about have been loss.

one-fourth or one-half a mile to some creek or pond for water and leave on the path what should have been left in the barnyard. Have a well at almost any east near the yard and save this leak. Draw forest leaves, awale grass, turf from the swamp, sawdust and every article of a like nature into your barnyard, which by the way should not be on a skiehill, but should be level or hollow, and covered if possible. Many dollars fall to come into the empty nockets of farmers from unverlighted of ground. Straighten your fences and clear up the odd corners. Ston the ever-flowing leak of money. How want you need sell all that you can all a horse for the that you can replace with 76, well it; Jo not be married to a horse. If you have a cow that does not pay for her keep and preduce a profit, her sell her or shoot her; she is heak. Save Je p day, it means \$11 a year; put that in the bank. Then add to it what you spead for unnecessarion, add

to it what you would spend at an auction sale for something you do not want but simply buy because it is cheap, then add to your bank account what you spend at so-called bargain counters. Do not keep money in your pocket that would do somebody good and bring in 6 per cent. Any sum-of money invested at 6 per cent will double itself in 10 yrs; fortunes are not made in a day. Start the bank account no matter how small and add to it whenever and all you can.—[J. H.Burkholder, Hancock Co, Me.

A Transportation Fraud-Wheat can be shipped through from Chicago can be shipped through from Chicago to tidewater at 12c p bu and trainloads of it went past my farm near South Bend, Ind, 83 miles east of Chicago, paying that tariff. At the same time any wheat which I shipped to tidewater cost me 20c p bu. I can cite nundreds of instances where railroads fix their charges, not according to what it costs them for transportation, but according to what they think the articles transported will stand.—[Aaron Jones, St Joseph Co, Ind.

Quick Dehorning-The horn should be cut close enough to clip a little of be cut close enough to clip a little of the hair. Secure the cow's head by using a ring halter. Draw her head close to one side of the stall, have the man with the clippers ready and al-most before the cow knows what is coming, clip off her horn, turn her head and clip off the other. The growth of the horn on the young caif's head may be stopped by using a little caustic potash, but care must be taken not to put on enough to make a large sore. [J. E. Rice, Onondaga Co, N Y.



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THE HOME CIRCLE

Tirza Ann's Prize Squash.

By Edith A. Barber.

Tirza Ann was feeding the calves. It seemed to Tirza Ann she was al-It seemed to Tirza Ann she was always feeding caives, but she reasoned she might as well be feeding caives as doing anything else. That was about the extent of Tirza Ann's reasoning. For years she had been the "all round" help at the big farm on the hill, and that to her was heaven and earth. More than that, she did not know, and, perhaps, just as well, she did not care to. An occasional new calf, the last brood of chickens, the quality of the recent churning,—were topics of the most vital importance to her. If she ever looked at the horizon and wondered what hay beyond, it was in r vague, incomprehensive way. Thirty years ago she had been taken from the county farm, a poor little simple waif of eight years, and carried to this vast estate on the hill, where she had remained ever since. The boarders who flocked there summers termed her "the drugge," but she did not care if she heard them, for I don't think she knew the meaning of the word.

Tirza Ann seemed fully satisfied with her lot. She had food to eat, clothes to wear and plenty to occupy her attention, and she could not understand why any mortal should ask for more.

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clothes to wear and plenty to occupy her attention, and she could not understand why any mortal should ask for more.

I said fully satisfied. But no, she wanted one thing, and that with all the intensity that her poor, sunted soul possessed. That one thing was a bieycle. Now "irza Ann was not nitted by nature for such an artificial invention. Her "six-foot" figure was thinand singular, her nose long and sharp, and her mouth extremely large, while her low forchead was crowned with a few scanty red locks. Healdes this, she was near-sighted, and more than all else, she had a decided lack of courage, which is a great requisite?—one learning to ride a wheel. In spite of all, however, she had resolved in her feeble way to some time own a bleycle.

Only once before had she shown an interest in anything muside the objects of her everyday life, and that was some years before, when Hirum, the "hird help" next door, came over and sat beside her on the back stoon. This was the beginning of a courtship that might have ended in a far different manner, had it not been for Mrs Hudson, the practical, matter-of-facthouse-keeper, who sent the unfortunate Hirum about his business and soundly reprimanded Tirza Ann. Since then she had nardly dared to encourage an independent thought, until recently, when the sight of the summer guestion their bright, shining wheels had inspired her with the wild resolution to some day possess one of her own. How she was going to get one she had in'y made up her mind,—a thing she had never done before.

Tear a ter year went by and still Tirza Ann' bleycle seemed as far exary as ever.

Besides feeding csives, Tirza Ann had to shell poes, but this occupation she rather emjoyed, for it gave her a chance to "set down and rest a spell" Tirra Ann was always on the alert for resting spells. She used to take her harket of peas out on the back stoon, where it was cool and shad and and a the appass and creumber bloosoms.

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One morning the was opening the pods in her usual mechanical manner, when a couple of young inen guests of the house came out with shovels to dig angle worms for fishing. Had Tirza

when a couple of young men guests of the house came out with shorels to dig angle worms for fishing. Had Tirra Ann been a keen observer of human nature, she would have be not one that these were a occiment of the modern college sport. I doubt that it would have impressed her at all, even if she had realized the fact.

This morning, however, a spark of interest was kinded in her feeble mind by what the young men were saying. Perhaps it was because the topic was adjusted with Anyhow, she listened. One was telling of some knormous squashes he had seen at a rinto fair, and that he had learned they were made to grow that size by feeding thom with milk. Tirra Ann started. She had fed calves with milk a good many

years, but never had she heard of feeding squashes. She almost dropped her pens in amazement. Opening her mouth, she leaned forward to learn more of this strange idea. To make the matter plainer to his companion, the young man pointed out the "feelers" on the vines growing near, and explained how the milk was prepared and placed where this little part of the vine could absorb it.

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In a secluded corner of the back yard, Tirza Ann had raised for years a garden of sunflowers. These were her particular property, the only thing she had ever called her own, and not a person was allowed to intrude upon that sacred ground. Afternoons, when other members of the household were seated in comfortable chairs and hammocks out on the cool front plazza, or were playing golf and tennis, Tirza Ann would steal quietly out of the back door and carefuly remove the weeds from her "posy garden," as she called it. To her the sunflowers were old friends, and she would talk to them in

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her low, crooning voice, as she loosened her low, crooning voice, as she loosened the soil about their stalks. This year, by accident, some seeds sent from the agricultural bureau got in among them, and she left the plants that sprang up, "fest tur see what they were likely "Jest tur see what they were 'kely tur be," so she confidentially told the sunflowers. Some of these proved to be squash

Some of these proved to be squash vines, and as they grew, they ran all about the sanflewer patch up to the back stoop, where they afforded pleasure for the bees and amusement for Tirza Ann. She had paid but little heed to these new possessions, except to watch the butterflies and bees hover about them, but now they were regarded with a new interest, as she went from hill to hill, carefully looking them over, and found she had a number of small green squashes, besides many blossens. If Tirza Ann ever nossessed a feeling of gratitude, it was many blossens. If Tirza Ann ever possessed a feeling of gratitude, it was at that moment.

For the next three months Tirza Ann was busy, it had been an unusually dry s-ason, and every spare moment was spent in tending her cherished

One afternoon a couple of young art One afternoon a couple of young artists came out to ask for a bunch of her favorite flowers, to use in a design, and catching sight of the large squashes. ravel so enthusiastically over the size that a look of terror came into her eyes. What if she should be robbed? Her heart sank within her at the idea.

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After that, visitors frequently came from the front side of the house to view her famous squashes, among them the two young men of whomshe learned her secret. Only two of the largest ones were in sight. The other big ones were securely hid by the great sunflower haves, where even the curious visitors did not venture to spy them out. When questioned, the only reply Tirza Ann would give was, "Them's mine." It was only a we k before the county fair, and Tirza Ann's anxiety began to wear off. Every moothight night until late she sat on the back stoop, watching the shining beams upon her golden beauties. The first thing in the morning she would no out and look them all over, familiarizing herself with every mark upon there leight coats, while the sunflewers nodded and smiled at her, and Tirza Ann felt she was as near happiness as she ever could be.

On the morning of the second day before the fair, Tirza Ann went as usual to the back stoop, but no shining yellow objects met her gaze. She had been robbed, for her cherished squashes were gone. Had she known how to have wept. I am sure she would have done to, but Tirza Ann knew nothing about tears. Her poor, starved nature had never found an outet for her sorrew in such a manner. No Tirza Arn did not weep. Forcing he; way in among the sunflowers, she saw two of the squashes of her charls help our there was a man and the sight of them served to comfort her.

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That night, at an early hour, the guests would have witnersel a most peculiar speciacle, had they been watching. A tail, thun, angular woman was tugging at a whe sharrow that contained a large object of some kind. Slowly she pushed her burden down the dusty not and was lost to view in the evening mixts.

The members of the prize committee were closing the hall, teeming with farm product, when they were startled by the appearance of Tirza Ann. frightened and breathless, pushing along the whoe harrow containing her prize squash. What to ray or how to say it she did not know, but a few questions on the part of the committee brought out the story, and in a few maments the tenderly nurtured equash was resting in the most conspicuous place of the hall, with the name "Tirza Ann Hopkins" securely attached to it.

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As the still bewildered owner turned to no. As the still bewildered owner turned to no, she spied two other squasies of the same variety and nearly as large as hers. "Them's mire as wer stole I know every inch on 'emi' she exclaimed, to the amazement of the others. Evaluations of liowet, and the same production and manufacture manufacture variety would to reore. Explanations followed, and the committee unnulumently voted to reserve the large terring the names of two young men, substituting Tirza Arn's, for in their opinion there was no question as to the truth of the states and their things were righted to her mind. Tirza Ann mechanically took her old squeaking wheelbarron and started for home. for home with a feeling of great sat-fatherion.

Three days later she made her first public appearance. In and around the

hall had gathered a mass of expec-tant people, to witness the awarding of the different prizes. Seated in conspicthe different prizes. Seated in conspicuous places were visitors of importance from the neighboring towns. Tirza Ann, in her merino dress, cotton gloves and poke bonnet, was content to stand back in the shadow of the door, where she took in the scene with blinking eyes, as cheer after cheer was given with enthusiasm when the prizes were received by the engrat hands of the winners. The story of Tirza Ann's squashes had spread throughout the village and everyone was awaiting the village and everyone was awaiting the awarding of the \$50 prize offered by the horticultural farm.

village and everyone was awaiting the awarding of the \$50 prize offered by the hortfeultural farm.

After a pause and a whispered consultation, ene of the judges arose and said, "To Miss Tirza Ann Hopkins is given a prize of \$50 for the largest squash on exhibition this year. In fact, the four squashes exhibited by her are the largest ever raised in this section of the country. We congratulate Miss Hopkins on her success, and are happy to award her not only the first prize of \$50, but a second prize, which is a ladies' bleycle of the best modern make. Miss Hopkins has kindly loaned us her squashes, which will be exhibited over the state to show what care and patience will do 1.1 the line of farming."

The people cheered and shouted as Tirza Ann, pale with fright, stepped forward and received the money, while an attendant brought forth a shining wheel thar would have pleased the most fasticious female bicyclist.

The next morning Tirza Ann sat out on the back stoop peeling onlons, Beside her stood the one great desire of her heart—a bicycle. The spokes glittered in the sunlight and the polished handlebars reflected the golden glory of the sunflowers that nodded and smiled above them, while Tirza Ann, gazing on the purple hills, the bright flowers and the shining wheel, looked up into the blue heavens and actually smiled.

ASPIRATION.

!Written for Farm and Home.] In this world a fellow finds.

In this world a fellow finds.

Many men of many minds.

Some want this and some want that,—

All have got their wants down pat.

Hain't a one of the whole lot.

But wants what he hasn't got.

If he gets it, why, I jing;

Up an' wants some other thing.

Some men set their hearts on fame.—Think they'd like to make a name. If ye "lect one of "em squire, First thing, wants to go up higher.—To the legislature, or Mebbo be state senator. And no scener that is done. Wants to go to Washington. If he gets there once, why then, Thinks he must go back again.

That's the way it is, I guess.
All of us are like the rest.
Man, I've had to 'bout decide,
Never can be satisfied.
And what's more, it seems to me
He was never meant to be.
It's ain't no limit to our powers.—
All the universe is ours.
And the men who make a showin'
Are the ones who keep on goin

Marco Morrow.

WHAT HE SAID.

You must cover your ears and nose, my

Says mother, one cold_cold day.
For if they should freeze, they would drop right off.
Then, what would you have to say?

He is eight years old,—such a great big

loy!
And he says, as with pride he swells:
I shouldn't care much if I lost my nose.
For I know how everything amelia!
M. I. S.

DO GOOD.

Do all the good you can, in all the ways you can. To all the people you can, in every place you can, At all the times you can. As long as ever you can. [Selected.

THE TEMPEST.

I once was sad and filled with wee. My soul was like a storm-toss'd sea. I heard it rain, the cold wind blow. And heavy was the load on me.

But now" what matter if 'tie dark outside."

Side State and dreary?

Cold, rainy, dark and dreary?

The tempert in my heart has died.

And only left rae weary.

SHERMAN, CITIZEN AND SOLDIER

Mr D. II. Feathers of Truckee, Cal, was one of "Sherman's dashing Yan-kee boys," and on one of his visits to us, consented to tell some of his war reminiscences.

"Did I ever see Gen Sherman? Yes, and talked with him, too. By reason

reminiscences.

"Did I ever see Gen Sherman? Yes, and talked with him, too. By reason of my position I often chanced to see him. I was one of a body of mounted men selected from various regiments for special service. Our duties consisted of confiscating rebel property, such as arms, ammunition and horzes, learning dispatches or engaging in scouting. "We would ride up to a plantation integer," fire off our revolvers, swear at him and command him, to tell where imassa's' horses were hidden. Generally he would be so scared he could hardly gasp, and would obey with alacrity. On one occasion we raided a farm and robbed a lot of bechives. No one was at home but the hady of the house, Rushing out on the porch, she gave his a running volley of abuse. But we got the honey and returned to camp.

"Sherman happened to be near our camp at the time, so I put some of the nicest honey on a clean shingle, walked over to the general, saluted and said. 'Would you like some of this honey, General Sherman?' Where did you get that honey, sir?' thundered Sherman, his eyes looking clear through me. 'I—we obtained it from a lady back yonder,' I said, trying to wear a bought-and-paid-for look. 'Oh, you did, did you! All right, sir. Thank you.' Whether Sherman thought It was all right or not. I have never been able to decide, but I got away as quickly as I could conveniently.

"I saw Gen Sherman oreg after the war. It was during Hayes's administration. President and Mis Hayes', Gen Sherman and one or two others passed through Jacksonville, Ore, on a western trip. The town treated them coolly, and in its official capacity utterly ignored them. President Hayes took it good-naturedly enough. Sherman was mad. I didn't want to see my old chief slighted entirely, so with my little daughter and one or two others passed through Jacksonville, Ore, on a western trip. The town treated them coolly, and in its official capacity utterly ignored them. President Hayes took it good-naturedly enough. Sherman was mad. I didn't want to see my old chief slig

noney? I said. 'Yee, sir, I do,' he replied, smiling.
"My little daughter felt much awed by the great meh. 'To think,' she said, 'that I have talked with a great general and a great president?' 'Well, my little girl,' raid Sherman kindly, laying his hand usen her head. Then see the his hand up in her head, you see that great generals and presidents are not so very different from other men, don't you?" "-{G. Stafferd.

INDIVIDUALITY.

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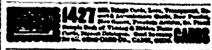
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the opposite s a. Lines I and I show this.

In personal appearance, this man is the rink of perfection. His desk or papers must never be touched. It may seem necessary at times to take up a little, but never attempt it until he says so. Such men are prompt and require it from everyone else. They will grant a favor to anyone if their first glance of that person meets the requirements of their mood. They are often called hard taskmasters. Their perceptive qualities are so fully developed that they can't see why you cannot see what is to be done without being told, "Look shead". "Find something to do" may often be expressions of his. It is the most interesting of head lines. Such great possibilities." But to another person with the same or nearly the same formation of head line, it would bring two positives together, and neither could see virtues in the other. But this bead line will, to anyone possessing it, with a good fate line (4) and sun line (5), give a force and power that may make him president of something, or rise very high in life to any honorable position.

position.

His hoart line is called an ownership heart line. Apparently cold to the outside world, his own, that he loves, are perfection. The fate line (4) is finely marked for worldly success, and line 7 coming in toward the Ed year of his life, means influences to be thrown in his favor from outsiders. His life is to be an active one, for the number of lines on the sun mount show interests of a different nature to tend to make

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There are two marriages, neither carly in life,—the first not before 32 and again toward 51. There are four children shown in the perpendicular lines on 12. The cross, at 13, gives this man greater happiness in a large city than a small place, and he will never be truly happy until located in one of the larger cities, which is southwest of the place he was born in, as shown by the line 13.

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Young America.

LEAD PENCIL.

The first thing I remember, I was in a deep, dark pince.

Never in that long, long time saw I the sun's bright face.

But finally I was displaced from out my rocky bed,

And if I say it—truly, since, an awful life I've led.

I was rolled and hammered and heated, then put in a wooden case,

And started off on a journey to find my resting place.

What is that, now, my friend? What did I hear you say?

You never saw me? Pshaw, you use me every day.

[Nellie Kelsey.

INELLIE KELSEY.

LIGHTNING BUG.

When darkening clouds are overhead, My first lights up the skies. My second may do harm or good,—is called a pest, but it soon dies. My whole is seen on summer nights, And to the darkness lends its lights. NELLIE KELSEY.

FROM OUR YOUNG AMERICANS.

Bubble Over-I am deeply interested in the collection of minerals, relics and natural specimens of all kinds. I think it is a source of much interest and pleasure and-offers a good chance for the study of geology and natural science. It is my desire and ambition to procure specimens from all parts of the Union, Canada and other countries, and from places of public or national interest. I think were the Young Americans to engage in something like the above and write more about their homes and surroundings, giving nice, breezy sketches of interesting places or pleasant outings or excursions they have visited or participated in, the Y A page would soon fairly bubble over with enthusiasm and good things—[W. Arthur Good. it is a source of much interest and

Always Busy-1 live in Washington's woods. You may think it is very lonesome, but it is not. I like the big trees, and most of all the flowers. I trees, and most of all the flowers. I have a brother to play with, my lessons to study and the dishes to wipe, so you see I am always busy. My papa is a subscriber to F & H and I enjoy reading the letters very much.—[Myrtle Florness (Ten), Washington.

Wheel and Organ-1 am in the fifth grade and like to go to school very much. I have read this paper quite a thile and would not like to be without it. I have a wheel and I like to ride. I have an organ also I spent a week of July in Detroit and had a very pleasant time—[Nina Waiker (Eleven).

"Awfully Well"-1 live in the exme southern part of Colorado, adjoining Utah, one of the most inter-esting parts of the world. My three favorite books are Janice Meredith, favorite books are Janice Meredith, Richard Carvel and David Harum. My Richard Carvel and David Harum. My favorite poet is Longfellow. I am not much of a hand for music. I am not very tall and weigh 132 lbs. I study White's Complete arithmetic. My brother has a little pinto pony that I like to ride. I have three sisters and one brother. I like to recite awfully well, and intend to be a speaker on woman's rights. I raise Reighan hares. I think it is a fine way of making money. Mamile, I am but one year older than you, but I think it is all right to go out in company with other boys and girls. I go with my brother and my parents and with a crowd. Sarah Adams, I wish you were my sister. I agree with you in everything you mentioned.—I Cowgirl im Colorado.

Author-I live in town in winter because there is no school I can go to in the country. We are having a new schoolhouse built now. I am in the tenth grade. I would like to be an artist or an actress. Mamma thinks I think I will write a little. I live Nebraska.

Nebraska.

Summer-I live in a little village two miles from the Pacific ocean and I go in bathing lots of times. I like favorite outhors are Louisa Alcott.
Marina Finley and Elizabeth Stuart
Phelpa. I don't approve of kissing, but
I think it's lots of fun to write notes in school. The teacher doesn't seem to think so, though. I have got four subscribers for the F & H already, and I expect to get more. We have an orsubscribers for the F & II already, and I expect to get more. We have an organ and I can play a little bit, but not very much. Pennsylvania Farmer Boy, how would you like to live where I do? It is summer about all the year around, and no snow at all. I will sign my name as -{Jean, California.

Help-Githel, I, like you, like to rend good books. Last year I read 32 books. I would rather live in the country than in the city. Miss Avis E. Wellman, I am not afraid to help on the farm. We have two cows and I sell the milk. I can also harness the horse and hitch it into the buggy and drive the horse. We have an organ and I have been taking lessons on it, but I do not care to learn music at all. I have three brothers and three sisters.—[Milkmaid. in the city. Miss Avis E. Wellman, I

Wonderland-I always like when reading from the pen of anyone, to know their name and where from. Doubtless others do the same. I live in southern Ohio, eight miles from the famous Serpent mound in Adams county, and two miles from Fort Hill, in Ohlo's wonderland Highland county. [Ethel M. Smith.

Spiteful—Looking over the columns of the F& H, my eye caught the words "Fretful Midget," and as that is my name, I at once read what was said of me. No. I did not go to the city last summer, but am there now, attending school, and like it real well. I have almost fiven up the idea of being a clerk. or of the readers asked our school, had the it tout wen, a land almost given up the idea of being a clerk. For a f the readers asked our advice whether they should go to school and obtain an education, or stay on a farm and work. My advice to all is, go to school, by all means, ause one who has not an education in this day and age of the world is classed with the ignerant set of people. Potato l'ete, why are you so spiteful? Are you not ware that it is wrong to be so revengeful? Take my advice, readers, and do not center all of your hope, joy and love on anyone, for if you do you will suffer more than words can tell, if they should happen to prove untrue, which is often the case. My girl ideal is one who is cold and haughts at, who does not fall in and out of love every new moon. How many of the Councilors are interested in clocution?—[Fretful Midget.

Ira's Poem-I live on a farm of 160 res. My teacher's name is George Tedrick. I will close in a rhyme.

Once there was a little boy
Who said he had a little horse.
But his maining said it was a toy,
And he believed it, of course.

(Ira Holdeman (Nine).

Measles- I have a sister 16 years old and we live in the city. I have had the measles and I don't think they are very nice. We had four cute little kittles and gave them all away.—[Hazel Carpenter (Ten). New York.

"Auntie"-I am 5 ft 3 in tall and have brown hair and gray eyes. I am 15 years old. Little Auntle, I am lefthanded, too, and have been auntic just handed, too, and have been auntic just as many times as you have and like to read as well as you do. I had a gold pen given to me the last day of school for good behavior during the term. How many of you have read St Elmo and At the Mercy of Tiberius? I have and think they are the best books I ever read.—[Maggie Spark, North. Dakota.

Not Ashamed-Kittle Griffin, I too am a farmer's daughter and am not ashamed of it, either. I have boarded in the city nearly eight months, I liked it very much, but prefer the country.—[illivia Rymer (Seventeen), New York

I go there quite often. I am II years old and have a plane and a bicycle [Pearl Gray.

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broken.

Then why not form a good habit, a habit which will counteract the many bad ones, in other words contract the unfashionable habit of being always

habit which will counteract the many bad ones. In other words contract the unfashionable habit of being always well.

The best health habit to get into is to have and keep a vigorous stomach: if you have a healthy digestion you can drink your beloved coffee, smoke your favorite brand of tobacco, with little or no harm, the mischief hegins when these things are forced upon the faithful stomach without any assistance.

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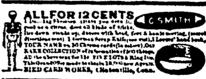
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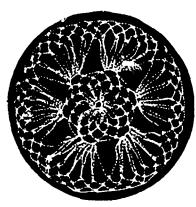
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SACHET AND DOILY.

Two circles of sheet wadding well filled with heliotrope powder and a cover crocheted of lilac silkateen are the materials required for the sachet.

Ch 6, join.
2d row- Ch 12, s c in ring, repeat from * 11 times, ch 6, s c in 1st loop of

3d row-. Ch 6, s c in . of loop, repeat from 11 times, ch 3, s c in ch 6. 4th and 5th rows-Like 3d.



loop, then ch 6, s c in each loop all

Make two profes, fasten over sachet by pinning in place, then croshet together what che 6, so in each loop of 6 ch, plobing up a loop from each side. A lovel pincushion can be made of bright all and covered with this pattern, seven of these wheels foined together will make a pretty tidy.

In he dolly the flower is made of pink and the leaf of green silkateen.

For the former, ch 6, join, ch 3, d c, ch, 2 d c, repeat from * 4 th, cs, sl st in top 3 ch, 10 d c in 2 ch, s c in a c, repeat. Make 8 thowers.

With the green ch 6, join, ch 3, 20 d c

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KNITTED SILK MITTENS.

This pattern is large enough for a person who wears a 6½ kid glove. Cast 22 st on each needle. K 4 rounds plain. 5th row—O. k 2 rog.

6th row-Plain.

6th row—Plain.
7th row—O, k 2 tog. K 7 rows plain.
15th row—O, k 2 tog.
16th row—Plain.
17th row—O, k 2 tog. K 6 rows plain.
24th row—O, k 2 tog.
25th row—Plain.
26th row—O, k 2 tog. K 21 rows plain,
Now work band of ribs by k 1 and p.
Repeat this 6 rounds. Make holes
in which to thread ribbon or clastic, as
olicays:

lat row-K l, p l, o twice, k 2 tog. Re-

peat.
2d row—K 1, p 1, k 1 loop, p 1 loop, k
2, p 1, k 1 loop, p 1 loop. Repeat from
"k 2." Last st of round k 1.
3d row—K 1, p 1, k 2 tog, p 1, k 1, p 1,
k 2 tog. Repeat from 2d "p 1." Continue rib, k 1, p 1, 6 rounds more. K 7

starting back. K 7 st plain, p 1, make 2 st, p 1, k 4 rows plain, p the st as you come to them, making 2 st every 4th round, until you have made from 27 to 29 st between 2 puried st.

29 st between 2 puried 8t.

Slip off thumb st with darning nesdle and plece of thread, the ends securely and even up at on 2 needles for hand, leaving back same as com-

K 7 rounds plain on back, repeating (o, k 2 tog, 4 times, k 4 plain, o, k 2 tog, 4 times) every 8th round.

K 50 rounds in an average mitten,

more or less rows according to length of hand.

In narrowing off, k 2 top. 4 8, k 2 tog.

In narrowing off, k 2 to_B, ^k S, k 2 to_S, k 8, repeat whole round,
K 8 rounds plain, k 2 to_S, k 7, k 2 to_S, k 7 same as before. K 7 rounds plain,
K 2 to_S, k 6. Repeat round, 6 rounds plain, K 2 to_S, k 5. Repeat round, 5 rounds plain, k 2 to_S, k 4, k 4 rounds plain.

plain.

Narrow 3 times each round after this until each needle contains 4 st. Then narrow each time, until there are 2 remaining st. Draw yarn through these and fasten off mitten.

Now pick up thumb st, equally dividing them on 3 needles. K about 40 rounds plain, necording to size of mitten. Narrow once each time until there are 2 st on each needle. Finish off as in hand.

ofth row-* Ch 21, s.c. in 6 ch, repeat from *5 times, ch 24, skip 1 loop s.c. in next, repeat, making 6 bun h.s. of locals, ch 12, fasten m. tep of 1st borp.

7th row- Ch 6, s.c. in each loop all around.

8th and 9th rows- Ch 3, s.c. in 1st loop, then ch 6, s.c. in each loop all around. warmth too.

silkateen mitten requires same

ch., 2 d.c, repeat from 4 thises, sist in top 3 ch, 10 d.c in 2 ch. s.c in a.c, repeat. Make S flowers.

With the green ch 6, joir, ch 3, 20 d.c in ring.

2d row—Ch 12, si st in 6th st of ch, repeat from 4 twice, making 3 loops on 1st loop.

3d row—D c 10 in each loop, making clover leaf, 10 s.c on stem, 3 s.c on d.c of center, repeat until there are 8 leaves, joining as made.

Where the leaves join make 5 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c, 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c. 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c. 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c. 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c. 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c. 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c. 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c. 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c. 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c. 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers, fasten in center of a petal, 5 s.c. 12 ch for a clover leaf, 10 s.c. take one of the flowers are skipped. 13th round 12 c a between 2 skipped. 13th round 12 c a between 4th and 5 d.c. 4 c in 1st of 5 d.c. 4 d.c in 1st of 5 d.c. 4 sh of 15th round and sh of 4 d c in every sh of 15th round, 15th round—Like 14th, 16th round—Sh between every sh. Work two more rows like this. Sew on band, If not long enough make more rows in the yoke,—[A, R, A.

> "Our Boy"—Many a boy owes his in-clination to want to be a wild west cowboy, to some tale read between yellow backs, and it may have been loaned to him by tome boy associate. If care has been taken that said boy has been given wholesome reading, he will out-grow this inclination. But as we can-not always regulate the reading matter of his associates, it is of double impor-tance that "our boy" should have the -[A, N. Springer,

Children Often Sturved-The popular idea is that errors in diet, particularly a hearty supper, are responsible for poor sleep. Consequently, many "k 2." Last at of round k l.

3d row—K l. p l. k 2 tog. p l. k l. p l.

k 2 tog. Repeat from 2d "p l." Continue rib, k l. p l. 6 rounds more.

K 7 rows plain.

Now start fancy back and thumb same round. The back leave 20 at on 2d needle. O, k 2 tog, 4 times.

Thumb is started next needle after

The last of round k l.

for poor sleep. Consequently, many children's appetites are curbed, the supper is a very light and an early meal, the child being sent to be l with an empty stomach, to grind upon itself and tease the brain with importunity until morning. Few children, properly cared for, eat too much. A great many are unintentionally starved, and show it in their attenuated forms and poor-

ly-organized tissues. Growing children can manage a great deal of autitious food if they get fresh air, exercise and recreation in proportion.

Essentials in the Home-In the home, the things that are of vital interest to the family or to any member of the family should be discussed by the whole family and should receive the best thought of each member. But the numberiess other things that will come up in even the best regulated households, should not be allowed to make even a ripple in the smooth current of everyday life —[Phama Bair.

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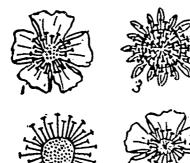
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closing stuff solid to make a little cushion for the pins, which are put in aroun the center to form the stam as Make four or five roses in all and attach to different lengths of 4-in wide ribbon in pink (or green, if prefeired, to carry out the stem idea), join with a bow at the top and the ornament is ready for suspension from any projecting point.

No 2 is made the same way, omatting the ribbon petals, more pins being inserted in liregular way and it might be called a daisy. No 3 is made with a center of green, the sepals of loops in different lengths of No 1 or baby satin ribbon in green. Fill the whole center with pins and a dandelion gone to seed will be the result. No 4 is a poppy and can be developed in red 1 differs only from No 1 in having a little puff of green in the center to simulate the seed pod.

The brush bag in No 5 is made of eeru linen, blue denim or duck, bound with braid or ribbon of suitable color. Cut the back about 1 ft long by 7 in wide, and the pocket 8 in long 9 in wide, and the pocket 8 in long 9 in wide, box plaiting in the extra fullness, as in the cut. The dimensions can suit the individual taste.

No 6 is a wall pocket made of Japaness or palm leaf fans and neds no description. The butterfly in No 7 is a cover for shaving paper. Cut the butterfly from brown or yellow cartridge paper and make the markings in water color. Fold over and stitch in several pieces of delicately tasted tissue paper in the same size and shape fasten on a brass ring, crocheted over if preferred, and a useful little gift for a man is the product.

The cover of the needlebook is cardboard covered with linen on which is outlined a clock in banck, the needle is which is outlined a clock in banck, the needle is white and thread, forming the words





ber of letters of the alphabet, scattered carclessly here and there over the sur-face, in sort of anagram style. These little books cost only 10c and can be

little books cost only 10c and can be purchased at any large book or department store.

A ribbon tape measure can be easily made. Half-inch or a little wider ribbon in a pretty, delicate shade is used. Mark off the measurements in gift, black or sepla, and if possible paint or embroider delicate sprays of flowers here and there. here and there.

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To make a pretty jewel casket, proceed as follows: Cut a round of cardboard 6 in across and cover one side with eiderdown in a light, pretty shade. For the other side, fine cambric or percaline will do. From cardboard cut three pieces 8 in long and \$\frac{2}{3}\$ in wide. Cover these also with the eiderdown, join each round and tack the three neatly on the large round so the sides of the small rounds touch. For a cover take a piece of silk or ribbon to match eiderdown, 1 yd long and \$\frac{1}{2}\$ in wide. If of silk, fringe one side, join ends, gather the other side, draw close and attach to base of casket at center between three rounds. A frill of very him lace the same length and a little narrower, gathered and fastened in the center over the silk, and a many-looped bow of baby ribbon to cover the fastening, complete a very dainty affair. Sachet powder can be sprinkled in the foundation.

A "Coming Events" pad will serve as a useful reminder, and on it can be jotted engagements or any future pleasure or duty which requires attention. Make the cover of mat board a little larger than the pad and on it print "Coming Events" in some dark color, edging the letters with gilt. A floral decoration in water colors will add to the decorative effect. Attach to the top a small lead pencil with narrow ribbon and finish with a bow, or make a loop

and finish with a bow, or make a loop



of ribbon for saspending. A tablet for the guest chamber can be made in the same way. Letter the cover vith some appropriate lines, perhaps the follow-ing:

"As thoy hast this chamber with thy presence blest, So may thy slumbers hold no unbidden

guest.
And on the morrow this may thy name adorn

As one who, rested well, doth greet the morn

[Mary Bradford.

SUITABLE GIFTS

Christmas presents, as viewed by the receiver, often present a very different aspect to that intended by the giver. Not that the love which prompted the gift is valued the less, but that the gift in itself is utterly unsulted to the recipient. As Christmas time draws near cipient. As Christmas time draws near the mind becomes filled, and the time taken up as far as possible, with the presents for the different friends and relatives far and near. Secret drawers and nooks are filled with bundles of various shapes and sizes, covered with

"Never too late to mend, red The leaves are flamed buttonheed long and short on the edge in red. Two pieces of red ribbon to tie it together at the front edges would add to its attractiveness.

A pretty and useful gift is a fancywork bag, made of two handkerchiefs with a lacy open edge rat suitched together just inside the border on three sides. Cat-sitich the fourth side of each handkerchief separately and run a ribbon through from each side for a draw.

A useful and pretty adjunct for a writing desk is made of a little lictionary with thumb index and stiff paper covers. Re-cover with ecru linen on which are painted or outlined a number leaves and sizes. Cat-sample with the four in the right place, should be the motto at Christmas time, and if it were followed. I think a great many people would be not only pleased, but benefited by their gifts of that season.

Now about presents, what is or is not acceptable? Of course opinions differ on this point, but there are a few things that can always be relied upon. Hand-kerchiefs, for example, are always use-

ful, and such pretty ones can be had for such comparatively small prices nowadays, that a half-dozen or so fixed nowadays, that a half-dozen or so fixed in a pretty box, make a handsome little gift. Books, too, to students and readers, will always be welcome. An author's works in sets bound in different colors, such as dark green and old gold, are pretty. These, together with sachets, perfumes, stationery and such like, make suitable selections.—[Dorothy Maxwell.

GIFTS FROM ODDS AND ENDS.

Many odds and ends of material with ingenuity and taste and the expenditure of a few dimes can be converted into pretty Christmas gifts. There are charming landscapes and no end of cute and pretty children's figures in adverisements which can be utilized in many

tisements which can be utilized in many effective ways.

Match Scratcher: With a sharp knife cut an oblong-shaped card from matboard and ornament edges with gold paint, or get cards of photographer. Cut a pretty woman from a colored fashion plate, mount on card and glue sandpaper exact size and shape of dress over skirt and glid edges of same; through two holes near top of earth in-

dress over skirt and gild edges of same; through two holes near top of card insert narrow ribbon and tie in long-looped how at center.

Calendar: On a gray oblong photograph card mount a fine black and white view from a railroad tourist advertisement, near upper left corner, and a calendar pad near lower right; suspend with red ribbon.

Box of Writing Paper: Ornament box with water colors, crepe paper or a silk cover; make sachet of heavy azure



Are often capable of doing injury to less positive people, the very emphasis of their affirmation making up for lack of argument and want of evidence. And the worst of all dogmatists are those doctors who, harking back to some old dogma of the schools, insist that certain patients are beyond all medical help, because, forsooth, their diseases are beyond the limited medical knowledge of the dogmatist.

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shorter one through sides: bring together and the in many-looped bow at center of from.

Pincushion Make a pincushion in wide by 10 in long and fill firmly with brain, pushing the corers out well; cover with prain ribbon, silk or velvet, seaming neatly along sides; pass No 1 representation of the around cushion 2½ in from each end and tie in many-looped bow with short ends at center of front. Stick white-headed pins in one end division, black-tipped in the other, and common dressing pins in center.

Pin Book. This consists of leaves graduated in width, filled with different-sized pins, glued together like the leaves of a book, and can be had for a triffe in any shop. Make slik cover, envelope shape, by covering two pieces of some shape and size, neatly overhand stitching together; glue book inside with lower edge even with straight end of cover; bring upper end of cover up at back, make two eyelets at each end, draw narrow ribbon through and tie in bow with short ends, sew ½ yard of ribbon at center of fiap for tying around book.

Playing Blocks. Blocks of different around book

around book.

Playing Blocks. Blocks of different sizes and shapes can be had for the asking of any house builder, stain thoroughly with olive green or other dark diamond dye, when dry, paste pretty pictures, large letters or figures on each side.—[Katherine B, Johnson.

SILK PURSE

The materials needed are a spool of black knitting silk, a bunch of steel beads, No 16, and a brass ring large

beads, No 16, and a brass ring large enough to slip the finger through.

1st row—Ch 65, turn, 3 d c in 3d st of ch, 2 ch, 3 d c in 3d st from shell,
repeat to end of ch, turn.

2d row—Ch 5, 3 d c in space, 2 ch, repeat. At end of row, 2 ch, 1 d c in 1st shell of 1st row, turn.

3d row—Ch 3, 2 d c in space, finish like other rows. Make 1s rows in all.
19th row—Crocini cony half-way across.
20th row—Like previous row except

across.

20th row—Like previous row except decrease one shell and continue thus in each row until only one shell is left. Fasten thrend.

Fold wide part over and sew or crochet sides together to form pocket, letting flap fail over opening. Make another pocket like this and cover ring with a c.

Make a chain 212 yds long and fasten Make a chain 2½ yds long and fasten one end securely at one corner of open side of pocket. Put it through opposite mesh on back part of pocket, slip through ring and carry across to other pocket, through a mesh at one side and directly across from top of pocket, through a mesh that is on top of pocket, through a mesh to next mesh on pocket, through it and one opposite, back through ring to other purse, through meshes and continue to weave it back and forth until all meshes are through meshes and continue to weave it back and forth until all meshes are used. Fasten end of ch securely, get chains even and fasten ring to all of them half way between two pockets. String the beads, make a double row of loops, 30 beads in a loop, across bottom and around flap of each pocket. Any other color silk and jet beads will do, but if beads larger than steel ones are used, do not use as many. This makes a very pretty Christmas gift and is so simple that a child could trake it.—[A. R. M.

Crocheted Watch Guard-Use brown black purse silk. Commence at hook I with 3 ch, pass ch through ring of r 131 hook, work 1 s c in 1st of 3 ch.
4 s c between the 2 perpendicular
1-ps of last s c, repeat from 12 times.
1-bs makes a sort of double ch. Next The makes a sort of double ch. Next work 12 s c in last of ch (6 in front of 2 and 6 in back, to keep length of ch 2 km 12 in center) and join round with si st. Then 1 s c n 1st st of 1st row, 2 s c into next st, repeat to end of round. Repeat 2d round twice more. Place a round button (or 2 half-round buttons put together) in half of crocheted ball just made, and work other half over button, decreasing in same proportion as you increased for first half, that is, work 1 s c in a st, pass over 1 st and

or other tinted linen envelope, cut slit 1/2 in long and same distance from edge at center of sides and ends; make a flat silk sachet 1 in smaller each way than envelope; use violet or orris root powder; trim off corners of envelope rounding, silp sachet inside and sent draw a piece of half-inch satin ribbon through slits at end of envelope, a shorter one through sides: bring together and tic in many-looped bow at gether and tic in many-looped bow at center of from.

Pincushion: Make a pincushiot in wide by 10 by long and fill firmly with bran, pushing the cor rs out well; 1 s c in next. Repeat to end of round. Decrease next 3 rounds in same propor-

Raveling-When you hem new table linen, save every long raveling and wind it on a spool. It will make an immaculate darn when worn places begin to show -[1, G, C.

Lounging Cap—This comfortable house cap for men requires 4 half-ounce spools of crochet silk. Crochet in s c a crown 22 to 23 in in circumference according to size of head, widening only enough to keep work perfectly that. Crochet in s c without widening to the desired depth. The edge to be turned up should be in shell stitch.—[L. G. T. stitch.-[L. G. T.

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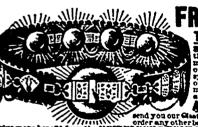


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POTATO VARIETIES.

The colored cooks of the south understand the importance of variety, and one can never tell by to-day's breakfast what to-morrow's will be. From at least a dozen ways of preparing potatoes for that meal, I select the following.

paring potatoes for that meal, I select the following.

Breakfast: Grate 1 doz raw potatoes, add ½ cup melted butter, ¼ cup sugar, ½ teaspoon sait and a little pepper, white preferred. Mix well, putting in a little flour if necessary, and bake in a moderate even.

Fish: To each cup cold mashed potatoes, add ¼ cupful mixed fish, I teaspoonful melted butter, a little onlon mixed with minced celery, salt and pepper to taste. Make into balls, using enough flour to hold them in shape, and fry in hot lard or butter.

Ringed. Pare large potatoes and cut in thin rings, by paring round and round as you would an apple. Fry in lard or butter, stirring often. When brown, place in a dish, sprinkle with salt and serve at once.

Balls: Two cups mashed potatoes, 1 well-beaten egg, 1 tablespoon melted butter, salt and pepper to taste. Roll in flour and fry.

German: Pare and slice large potatoes. Place in a baking dish, sprinkle with salt and pepper, and over the top place thin slices of salt pork. Add enough milk to cover, and bake in a moderate oven.

Cakes: Te each cup mashed potatoes

enough milk to cover, and bake in a moderate oven.

Cakes: To each cup mashed potatoes add 1 well-beaten egg, 1 teaspoon butter, salt and pepper, 1 tablespoon flour and enough milk to make a batter. Fry as you would ordinary griddle cakes and serve hot. Nice with syrup.

Rolls: Boil 6 large potatoes. When done, drain and pass through a colander. Add the beaten yolks of 3 eggs, ½ cup cream, ½ cup butter, 1 cup grated cheese, salt and pepper to inste. Make into balls, and on a floured bread board roll out into long ovals. Brush over with beaten egg and bake in a hot oven.

oven.
Southern: Boll large potatoes and mash. In a baking dish place is cup sweet milk, I tablespoon butter, sait and pepper, 2 cups mashed pointoes and the beaten yolks of 4 eggs. Beat thoroughly and over the top pour the beaten whites of the eggs. Bake 20 minutes in a hot oven and serve in the dish in which they were baked—Halia in which they were baked.-!Lalia

PUMPKIN BUTTER.

There are several ways of making pumpkin butter. If pumpkins are plenty, remove the seeds from a large one, cut in small pieces and cook until very soft cut three pumpkins in pleces, boil them soft, put in a coarse bag and press out the juice. Sift that first cooked, to which add the juice, and cook until it is the thickness of

and cook until it is the thickness of apple butter. Half an hour before it is done add sugar and spice to taste. If the pumpkins are frozen, they will yield the juice mere fre is, and the butter will not be in the least injured. Another recipe is to cook the pumpkin as for pies, to every gallen add left best molasses is or each of alispice. cinnamon and cloves (powder). Cook until of the proper consistency. If made late in the fall and kept in a cool place, it will keep for months, and can be used for pumpkin pies with the addition of milk and cream.

Still another way is to steam the

meat. When done in this way, the beef should be placed on a rack, which will raise it about two inches from the bottom of the baking tin.—[M. F. S.

Fried Cabbage-Chop cabbage fine, and a little melted butter, with pepper and salt to taste, then stir in 4 table-spoons milk, heat through and add 1 or 2 eggs. according to amount of cabbage. Mix well together and turn-into a well-buttered spider. When it is hot, fry a light brown, turning to brown both sides Serve on a hot platter.—[A. R. Annable. Annable.

Squash Biscuit-One cup squash finely mashed as for the table, seasoned with butter and salt.1 level teaspoon soda, 1 cup sour milk containing 2 tablespoons sour cream. Beat up to-gether with a teaspoon salt and suffi-cient flour to make a dough to be han-dled easily. Roll out and cut, and bake as ordinary biscuit.—[L. M. B. blespoons

Best Biscuit-Into 1 qt sifted flour rub 2 teaspoons good baking powder and a little sait. Put in 1 tablespoon shortening and add milk or cold water to make a stiff dough. After mixing well, roll out, using a very little flour, cut out and bake in a hot oven 12 minutes. Be sure to bake as soon as mixed and make the biscuit small.—[A. R. A.

Quick Bread-Pour 14 pt boiling wa ter into the same amount of milk, let cool and add 1 compressed yeast cake dissolved in a little cold water, with I tenspoon salt. Stir in enough good flour to make a soft dough, turn on kneading board and knead 20 minutes. Set to rise for three hours, knead again, put in pans, let rise one hour or until light, and bake 40 minutes.—[A. R. A.

Stew with Dumplings—An excellent dinner can be made with a small amount of chicken, yeal or fricasseed beef, in connection with the broth. If, liked, add carrots and onlons with the meat, a little pepper and sait, and part of the broth, with water to cover ail. The whole of the broth, if already thickened, might add to the danger of scorching. The meat being already cooked, a few minutes later add sliced potatoes. When the potatoes are put in, make a dough of sour cream one part to sour milk three parts (I cup milk and 1-3 cup cream make dumplings enough for a family of five), add I teaspoon sait and flour to make stiffer than biscuit, but not hard, with I teaspoon each of cream tartar and sodu sifted through the flour. Remove kettle to back of stove to stop its boiling for a few minutes while the dumplings, cut like biscuit, are being put in, and be sure the broth does not come up over the tops of the dumplings, else the latter will be heavy. Again set in front of stove, where it will boil again, and cook about 20 minutes, till the dumplings are done. Take up the dumplings and thicken the broth, add-Stew with Dumplings-An excellent dumplings and thicken the broth, add-

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Yorkshire Pudding—Beat 3 eggs very light, add I px milk and 1 level teaspoon salt. Pour this mixture gradually upon 1 cup sifted flour. Beat thoroughly and pour into well-grensed muffin pans. Bake in a quick oven for about three-quarters of an hour. Serve on a heated platter around roast beef.

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Plain Cake-Good plain cake which never falls, if directions are followed, cups sugar to a cream (if granulated sugar is used, put in only 1% cup) Add 1% cup sweet milk and 3 cups sifted flour. Beat the yolks and whites of 3 eggs separ siy, add to above mixture and beat well together. Lastly add 1 teaspoon soda and 2 of cream tartar, mix well and bake in layers. Put together with any 'llling preferred.—[Anna W. Galliher. is made thus: Rub 1/2 cup butter and 2

Potato Scores -- Take 1 pt yeast bread dough. When it is light, add 1 egg vell beaten and 2 cups warm mashed po-tatoes, a lump of butter and salt to season. Mix well, roll out and cut like biscuit. Let rise and bake in a brisk oven—fA. R. A. oven .- [A. R. A.

Plain Doughnuts-Two cups sour milk, I tablespoon (a little heaped) of sour cream, 1 egg, 1 teaspoon soda. Beat egg with 1 teaspoon sugar and add a heaping teaspoon salt, add milk and cream. Stir in flour enough to make a dough to roll out comfortably, cut in strips and pinch the ends together, making cakes the size you wish, and let rise on cake board for an hour. Fry in hot fat, turning but once when the under side is a rive brown.—[L. M. B.

Old-Fashioned Indian Pudding-Take 1 cup very finest Indian meal and mix with it in a bowl 1 tablespoon flour and a pinch of sait. Pour on this is cup good molasses and stir until perfectly-smooth. Add 2 pits boiling milk, mix well and then turn it into a milk boiler and stir it over the fire until it thickens. This will take about 10 minutes. Then pour it back into the bowl and allow it to cool. Then cold, stir in thoroughly I qt cold milk, and put the mixture in a pudding dish, pouring to pt milk over the top, and set it in the oven to bake. It should be baked very slowly for at least three hours Half the quantities given will be sufficient for a small family, but it is equally as good warmed over as when first baked.—[M. F. S. and a pinch of sait. Pour on this 1

FARM AND HOME Potato with Boiled Eggs—Take mashed potatoes and make into balls. hollow out the center of each ball, form. ing a nest. Take hard-boiled eggs, remove the yolks and put one yolk in each rest. Cut up the white in small pieces and lay at at the yolks, Place in the oven and brown slightly—[A. R. A.

Beef Omelet-Two pounds beefst ak (clear beef) chopped fine, 4 soda crackers miled fine, 4 eggs (beaten), 14 cup ers wiled fine, 4 eggs (beaten), ½ cup butter, ½ cup milk, salt and pepper to taste, a small enion chopped fine and a pinch of sage. Mix in chopping bowl and make into two loaves. Put in a covered pan with 2 cups water to each loaf. Bake in a moderate oven three-quarters hour.—[A. R. A.

Baked Corn-One can corn, 1 cup milk, 1/2 cup bread crumbs, 2 eggs, a little butter, pepper and salt. Bake in the oven until brown.—[R. R.

Cherry Pudding-Take canned cherries and separate the juice. Use 1 pt cherries, 3 eggs, 2 tablespoons hourer and 2 heaping tablespoons flour. Str well and bake in a quick oven. Serve with cream and sugar.—[R. R.

Boiled Dinner-Boll a nice piece of fat beef one hour. Pare 6 parsnips, 6 carrots and 3 turnips and cut in medium-sized pieces. Place these in the kettle with the beef. Let boll together one-half hour. Cut in quarters 1 cabone-nair nour. Cut in quarters I cab-bage head, place on top of the other ingredients and boil one hour longer. Then pare 8 good-sized potators, place on top of the cribbing and other vege-tables, salt and pepper to taste and cook until the potatoes are done. Then take up 'he vegetables, leaving the water in the kettle, to which add a lump of b or, a little ground mustard, and doz crackers rolled fine, all this after the grease has been skimmed from the liquor. Serve as sauce with the vegetables.—[A. R. A.

Stuffed Squash-Pare a squash (small size), cut off one en dand remove the inside with zeeds. Lay in salt waone hour, then fill with a stuffing made of bread crumbs, a little chopped salt pork, parsiey, and salt and pepper to season. Replace the end cut off. Put a lump of butter and 4 cup hot water in a baking disn, lay in the squash, cover closely and bake two hours. Add water if needed. Serve with a butter, gravy.—[A. R. A.

French Mustard-An easy making French mustard, which excels that of commerce, is to mix 3 tablespeons druggist's dry mustard with 1 table poon granulated sugar. Then add the beaten white of an egg. Beat until well incorporated and very smooth, and add 4 tablespoons very keen cider vinegar. Set in a dish of boiling water over the fire and stir with a granite or wooden spoon until smooth. [S. E. W. spoons druggist's dry mustard with 1

Little Pigs in Blankets-Season large oysters with pepper and salt, cut fat pork or bacon into thin slices, wrap one oyster in each slice and fasten with a little skewer (toothpicks are the best). Cook long enough in a frying pan to crisp the bacon. Place on small slices of buttered toast and serve.—[Ellis Cook Book.

Prune Whip-One-half pound prunes stewed until soft, put through a colan-To every our prunes add the whites of 3 eggs, beaten stiff. Sweeten to taske and add 1 teaspoon vanilla. Put in oven about two minutes. Serve with cream and sugar.—[Ellis Cook Book

Clam Soup-Select fine, large, plump clams, and after chopping them fine, add the liquor to the meat. To every 12 clams allow 1 qt cold water, and putting ment liquor and water into a pot, let simmer sently, but not boli, an hour and a haif. A, the end of this time, every particle of meat should be so well cooked as to make it seem that there is only thick broth. Season to taste and pour into a tureen in which a few slices of well-browned toast, cut in dice, have been placed. If desired, I teacup new milk and I egg may be allowed to every 2 doz clams, with good result. Beat the eggs very light, add to then the milk. Beat hard for a minute, then add the whole to the soup when taken from the fire.—[S. O. F. clams, and after chopping them fine.

Excellent Fruit Cake-One-half pound white sugar, 14 lb brown sugar, 1 lb butter, 1/2 lb flour, 1 cup molasses 12 eggs. 1 teaspoon soda, 3 lbs raisins citron, 1 small cup dark jelly, juice and rind of 1 lemon, chopped fine, 1 tablespoon each of nutmeg, cinnamon and cloves. Bake in three long tins.—[Eills Carl. Back. Cook Book.

Chicken and Toast-Cut a chicken in small pleces, add salt, pepper and an onion, with sufficient water to cover. Cook until done, then add ½ pt rich cream and a little chopped lemon peel. Nicely toast slices of stale bread, pour the chicken over them and serve at once.—[L. M. A.

Rolled Wafers-One-fourth cup butter, 15 cup powdered sugar, 14 cup milk, 74 cup bread flour, ½ teaspoon vanilla. Cream the butter, add sugar gradually and milk drop by drop, then add flour and flavoring. Spread very thinly with a broad, long-bladed knife on a buttered inverted dripping pan. Crease in three-inch squares and bake in a slow oven until delicately browned. Place pan on back of range, cut squares apart with a sharp knife and roll while warm in tubular or cornucopia shape. If squares become too brittle to roll. place in oven to soften. If rolled tubular shape, the in bunches with narrow ribbon. These are very attractive and may be served with sherbet, ice cream or chocolate. If rolled cornucopia shape they may be filled with whipped cream just before sending to table. Colored wafers may be made from this 4 cup bread flour, 1/2 teaspoon vanilla.

mixture by adding leaf green or fruit red. If colored green, flavor with K tenspoon almond and K tenspoon va-nilla. If colored pink, flavor with rose, Colored vafers must be baked in a slow oven to prevent browning. Farmer's Cook Book,

Chicken Jelly and Lonf-Clean and disjoint a chicken, cut into small pieces, breaking the bones, and place in a saucepan with 1 pt cold water to each pound of chicken. Heat slowly and let simmer until the meat fails from the bones. Then strain and let stand until cold. Skim off all fat, season with salt, pepper and a little lemon juice, and turn into molds to harden. To make a chicken loaf, prepare a chicken as for jelly, cook until tender, remove all bones and chop the meat finely. Put into a saucepan with ½ cup buter unless it be very fat), salt and pepper. When hot, pour into a mold the bottom of which has been covered with slices of hard-bolied egg. When cold, turn out, cut in slices and serve for tea.—[L. M. A. disjoint a chicken, cut into small

Vegetables-Never put vegetables into water which is not boiling hard. If icft to soak in hot water it will tough-en them as well as destroy the flavor and color.—[I. G. C.

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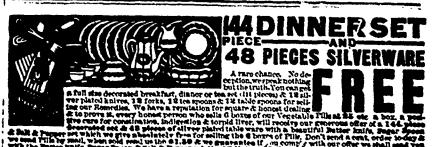


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An' though I ain't allers known jes' what

sorter inclined towards a-bein' con-

The corn has dried up an' the chinch bugs

hev come.

I've oft heerd the locus' an' grasshoppers hum.

An' a summertime shower has sometimes the knack
Of visitin' me 'fore my wheat is in stack.
But though of the harvest it ruined a batch.

batch.
It did worlds of good to my late turnip patch.
An' I allers affirmed I weren't carin' a cent.
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An' I've noticed the ones who sien fit to complain
At drouth, never got more than their share o'rain
When the downpour did come. An' the dryness despite.
Er weiness, the crops never yet failed us quite!
An' I've thought he who sparrers will note in their fail.
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us all.
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When one's sorter inclined toward a-bein' content!

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AROUND THE COUNCIL FIRE.

Education on Farm-Hopeful, you say the farm is a drawback to get an say the farm is a drawback to get an education. Of course the country boy hasn't got so many months of school in the year as the city boy has, but then, he makes more use of the time he devotes to school than the city boy does, because he is more alive to its real value. And then, he learns something besides books, which makes him the much better citizen. As for bigher real value. And then, he learns something besides books, which makes him the much better clitzen. As for higher education, there is enough leisure on the farm to attend college. I know a number of boys who have worked on the farm in the summer and gone to college in the winter, and acquired a splendid education. In fact, some of our greatest statesmen have been boys on the farm. Further on, you complain of too little money and too much work. If you are an up-to-date farmer, I fall to why you cannot make your farming pay, as there are good prices for what a man has to sell. And as for time, there are few vocations one could choose where there is more ielsure than on the farm. A bookkeeper or clerk hasn't got half the leisure that a farmer has. Hopeful, you complain of lack of society on the farm you can have the same grand society on the farm that you can have anywhere else. Buy good books and you can associate with men of worldwide fame.—[Greenback.

Have More "Ups"-Webfoot and Buckstrap are evidently having troubles of their own, but are getting all

try, and all such, but I like the country better than the city. Fruit is our crop here. I would rather pick peaches than husk corn. I was raised in a corn country, where you could see nothing but corn and oats for miles.—[Temperance Michigan. ance, Michigan.

Five Deaths-I can sympathize with Mrs Young, for we have lost five out of our family in 10 months and one day. of our family in 10 months and one day. We had not had a death in our family for 25 years, so you all can know how hard it was for us. Then we were in the terrible flood of July, 1899, and a recent storm tore my home up and furniture and clothes are all to pieces. I have had a hard time for as young as I am, 'only 19." Now, Woman Hater, I don't see how you can hate women. They are not all alike.—[A Widow.

Some Poor Soul-How much better and more contented we feel if, on looking over the work and events of the we can see something accomday, we can see something accomplished worth striving for, and some little deed of kindness to help a fellow traveler on the way, than if we have been careless and neglectful! It takes so little to do a kind act or speak a kind word that will perhaps make a whole day brighter for some poor soul, struggling along under more than its share of trouble. We ought to watch engerly for an opportunity to help our associates, and remember that by our lives we are unconsciously helping or hindering others, cheering them on or discouraging them by our failures or carelessness.—[Wyopa.

Healing the Sick-Being an interested reader of the Council, and noting the many inquiries from young ladies who seek to know about trained nurswho seek to know about trained nursing, etc. may I suggest another and
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am in the work. I like it. I am one
who intended to become a nurse, but
changed my mind and took up electrotherapeutics instead. The field is as
yet worldwide and not overcrowded.—
IEva McLouth. Eva McLouth.

THE FIRE UPON THE HILL. I leaned against the doorpost.
In the evening calm and still,
And watched the flames ascendin
Of the fire upon the hill.
And while I then did ponder.
Lo' the haze had passed away.
It was my own bright future
That I saw before me lay. ascending

Then a voice spoke, "Be worthy Of the life new before you kind words kind thoughts and actions." These are things that you must do. I thought. "Am I but dreaming Is my mind a-wandering still?" I woke. I'd learned a lesson From the fire upon the hill. It. II. W.

L. H. W.

Let 'Em Alone-Poems and book reviews would be profitable, but we all views would be profitable, but we all want to mix a few pleasures along with those profits. 'Jordan am a hard read to trabble," anyway, and if it makes the read smoother to a few old maids and bachelora, that have never had a sweetheart and maybe never will, to talk and dream about love, why, let'em alone. Life is chiefly made up of mistakes, and they are happlest who never find it out. No doubt but each of us has a soft spot somewhere. As for books and poems, some of the best ever written are on the subject of love.—[Maude Steele.

Only Contempt—A. M. S., when I read your letter, I just felt like shouting, "Them that's my sentiments, tew." Truly, a good woman is the crowning work of God's creation. And I believe a good man to be woman's peer in every respect, but not such men as Cowboy. Webfoot and Bad Boy, who haven't got sense enough to settle their own love affairs, without "airing" them in management and making what what he will be a state of the settle their own love affairs, without "airing" them in bles of their own, but are getting all sorts of advice from seemingly experienced Councilors. I really feel sorry for them, but I guess I can't help them any, for I am not experienced very extensively in love affairs, but I have no one to blame but mysel. However, it is nice to have sympathizing friends to unfold our troubled hearts to in times of sorrow. But, thank fortune. I have none such to trouble my contented brain. Still, we will have our ups and down, but let us try to have more ups and not so many downs. Are any of the Councilors interented in crayon portrait painting? I seem to asionish all who see my work. They tell me I have ao business on the farm and am foolish for staying in the coun-

ficiently matured to grapple with such ficiently matured to grapple with such perplexing problems as love and marriage, and then perhaps yeu will be able to solve them without applying for assistance to any journal or magazine, and if you do this I can assure you the time will come when you can say, as truly as that ancient relative of yours, Adam, "There's only one girl in this world for me." And when you meet her, you'll know what you want to do without asking F & H.—[Brown-Eyed Lenore.

Distracted Self-Are any of the Councilors stenographers, or interested in the profession? If so, come this way in the profession? If so, come this way please. I am taking a course and have just finished my first examination today, after a hard week's grind, but I cnjoy it so much! Don't think, dear Councilors, it's only a pastime. Oh, no,—I mean to convert it into a means of gaining a living for my mother, sister and poor distracted self. Any suggestions from those who know will be gladly received by one who intends to know, so let me hear how many there are of this profession among the numerous doctors, lawyers, schoolma'ams and who knows what else? Potato Pete, you speak truthfully when you

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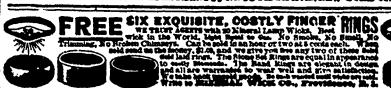
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say, "Youth is in itself a fortune." With "outh and good health, combined with an honest endeavor to rise in the world, who dares to say you shall not? Master Billy Goat can give you a boost if you but wave your red flag of distress and flaunt it bravely in his domain. Mrs Osana, your letter takes me back to happy days of childhood spent on grandpa's farm. Oh, for a happy, bright day to roam those meadows, climb up in that large barn, wade the creek,—so free from all care and trials,—and when weary of all this to sit at the feet of one of earth's dearest saints and hear again those sweet stories, old yet ever new, as they fell from the lips of grandma, long since gone to reap the reward of a long and beautiful life. Paul J. Daily, you ask if I live in Mauch Chunk, No, but in that big town three miles below, situated on the right bank of the peaceful, sedate old Lehigh river. Was surprised to think that even our own F & H could find its way up there among those beautiful mountains.—[Kitty May, Pennsylvania.

POWERS OF FATE.
Cold winter with his honry frost,
Will chill the earth and bind it fast.
The liquid streams will cease to flow,
Till Sol dissolves the crystal snow.

Life's flecting hours, how swift they glide! Weeks, months and years pass with the tide.

And man, alas! like withered grass. Must be consigned to earth at last.

And as we journey to and fro, Unmindful as to weal or woc, We must, for every sad mistake. Yield to the sterner powers of fate. Mus Robert Waldron.

Mystic Future-Hello, Githel! Let me respectfully bow to your late courme respectfully bow to your late courtesy. No, I can't speak the German language, but can the Spanish. Come over some Saturday evening and we'll exchange some of our foreign words. David Copperfield is the "crown prince" of literature in my mind. Yes, I love girls,—black-eyed, blue-eyed, oh, all kinds of girls. I love men, too. And children, sweet, lovely, angelio children, I love you most. When I see a party of romping, frolicking children, I can't help but think: "You know not what awaits you in the mystic future."—[The Mountaineer.

Succeed Anywhere-H. E. K., I agree Succeed Anywhere—H. E. K., I agree with you, and think if a girl, be she city or country bred, has any "get up and so" about her, she will succeed anywhere. I fer one do not like the farm, but I have lived on one 14 years of my life and could live on one as many more if I had to. I was born in the city of Saginaw, Mich, and lived there until I was six, when we moved to this wonderful Empire state.—[Lorna Doone.

Faithful Pedagogue—I. like Lady Prue's letter. I, too, am a school teacher, having walked in the path of teacher, having walked in the path of the faithful pedagogue for five years. Nothing pleases me better than to teach little ones and have them crowd around for me to tell or read them a good meral story. Children are great imitators, and how many of us teachers ever think whether or not are we stamping habits of good or evil on the minds and heavts of our pupils! It is worth thinking of. Aside from riding my wheel, I ride horseback, and play the piano. Lady Prue, I think "Old Kentucky Home." "On the Banks of the Wabash." "Just One Girl," "Coon's Breach of Promise" and "Sweet Bunch of Daisles" are very pretty songs.—[Cute, Nebraska.

read. I think that all the letters of the Councilors are helpful. The Coun-cil page is the first page I read when I receive my F & H.-[A Buckeye Girl.

Mother's Face-So much has been said about life's sorrows and disappointments, that we can barely see bepointments, that we can barely see beyond the clouds the sun still shining. The sunniest spot in the wide, wide world is home, and the dearest face is mother's. What if life is such a complex problem (and we must admit that accidental happenings sometimes shape our destinies), neither complex problems nor accidental happenings can darken our little hamlet, or make mother's face less dear.—[Grace Darling.

Always Scolding-Mother, you are right in wanting to talk more with your right in wanting to talk more with your children, and the less you say, "Don't do that," said "Don't do that," the better you will find your children will mire hey soon get so that they think you are always scolding.—[Mother, Montana.

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Obsolete—A Subscriber, take a piece of red velvet or plush, just a little larger, all around, than your Bible, sew a slik fringe of the same color on the edge, and you will be pleased with the effect. A City Girl, I like your sentiments about old maids. You are very sensible, Who would ever think of calling Frances Willard or Mariet a Holley or lots of other nice ladies, whom we all know, old maids? Fie' the term is obsolete, and people who use it are out of date. Better never get married, girls, than to marry too young and be sorry for it afterward. Bald Head, don't judge all girls by one bad, silly one. Your girl used you badly, but she isn't worth the ink you used in writing about her. Don't you suppose if you had married her she would have spoiled your future life? Oh, you ought to pity the other fellow. Be consoled. There are lots of good, nice girls, and there is one waiting somewhere for you.—IVenus.

Inquiring Friends—Mary (Conger)

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Tropper would like to know the whereabouts of her uncle, Jess Craft, who went to Ohio in 1874 and then to Miswent to Ohio in 1874 and then to Missouri.—O. S. a d others, we are forming no new lett—circles, and those already in existence must do their own straightening out.—B. D. G., you can find the names of the presidents and their parties in any United States history, often in tabulated form in the back part.—A reader wants to know where the old story of Aspenville or Aspenwold can be obtained and who is the author.—The best way to renovate a rubber coat that is cracking in places, is asked by J. T.

Her Business—A City Girl you mustn't throw out such gentle hints as regards city girls. Why not "bless" the country lasses as well? Don't you the country lasses as well? Don't you think they deserve it? Your sentiments in regard to "old maids" are thoroughly correct. If a lady is past 25 and chooses to live single, that is her business. Remember, there may have been a love in her young days that is sacred in her memory. We married ladies (who are young yet) would "fight for rights" if we should be called "old women" outside of our family circle, eh? Many of the nicest ladies I know are over 25 and single, and seem to have no desire to be "tied down" yet.—[Mrs D. R. Clarke.

Nursing-Potato Pete, I think it is best for you that "she" married some-one else, for if she didn't love you well Helpful—I don't agree with H. E. K. when he says that the home making and housekeeping instinct is borr in all women. I have known girls to marry the best kind of young men and yet be the poorest kind of housekeepers. They seem to think that the world was made for their sole comfort. So. H. E. K., if you think all girls are angels, you may find out your mistake too late. I, hope Graham Gem doesn't class all men with tobacco users, sall men and the sall men sall mentation with some the did not be too work to let her pass. I hope you will have great success in your work and let us hear from you again. I would certainly be a physician, but as it is, I expect to be a trained nurse, for I think there is one work for each of us to accomplish, and I have a longing desire to nurse and care for the sick and helpless. Military would certainly be a physician, but as it is, I expect to be a trained nurse, for I think there is one work for each of us to accomplish, and I have a longing desire to nurse and care for the sick and helpless. Military would certainly be a physician, but as i

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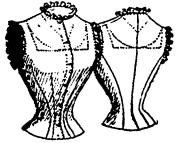












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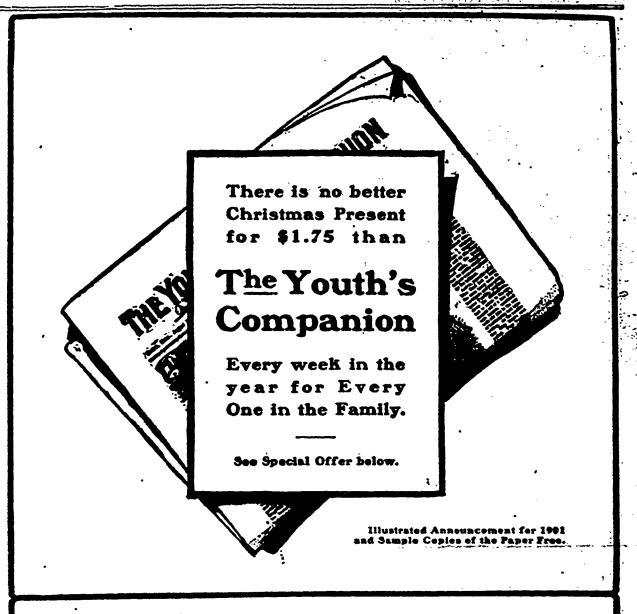
Needs of the Navy—The startling statement is made in the report of Admiral Crowninshield, chief of the navigation bureau, that the present personnel of the navy would form barenavigation bureau, that the present personnel of the navy would form barely one-fourth of the total establishment necessary to fight a first-class European power. The naval academy is suffering for want of instructors and the present high standard of training cannot be maintained. Every bureau in the dept is short of officers. There are now 131 vacancies in the list of naval officers, when vacancies can be least afforded. Therefore, it is recommended for the next 10 years that appointments to the naval academy be doubled. It is declared that it is now impossible to man the vessels of our navy already constructed with the present force, not to mention those building or authorized. The report calls attention to the dir-ouraging condition in which distinguished officers of the navy have been left by not receiving any formal recognition for their heroic services during the war with Spain, except those who shared in the victory at Manilla and three who served elsewhere in the war.

Chili has voted half a million dollars to make an exhibit at the Pan-Ameri-can exposition at Buffalo next year.

In the Philippines-Maj-Gen Mac-Arthur, commander of the army and military governor of the islands, has submitted his report to the war dept. Between Nov 1, '99, and Sept 1, '90, the Between Nov 1, '99, and Sept 1, '60, the casualties in minor engagements were 288 Americans killed, '350 wounded and 55 captured. E27 Filipines killed, 694 wounded and T561 captured. For the six months ending July II there died 24 officers and 371 men, of whom seven officers and 267 men were killed in action or died from wounds, the rest from various diseases. Gen MacArthur says the natives are united in their sympathy for the insurgent leaders, and that to pacify the island and make them accent American supremacy will require a large force of arms, both for the present and "for many years to come." Instructions have been sent to Gen MacArthur to start a vigorous campaign at once, pressing the remnants of the Filipino army to the last extremity, following even small bands when necessary.

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The Bosts are still making it lively for the British troops, and marly every day skirmishes are reported. They are following guerrilla methods, at which they are greatly superfor to the British soldiers. Lard Roberts has been recalled to England and Lord Ritchener placed in command. The method will be one of merciless extermination and the question of depopulating the country and adopting for Weyler's Cohan reconcentrate plant Beding considered. Fifteen thousand Bosts are planning to leave the Transvani, cross the Kalahari desert and take up their residence in German Southwest Africa. The Boots are still spaking it lively



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