House and Hints.

INSECTICIDE. - Hot alum water is the best insect destroyer known. Put the alum into hot water and let it boil till all the alum is dissolved; then apply it hot with a brush to all cracks, closets, bedsteads and other places where any insects are found. Ants, bedbugs, cockroaches, and creeping things are killed not, though whether time will also reby it; while it has no danger of poison-veal the truth of another report is—as ing the family or injuring property.

TO REMOVE IRON RUST OR INK SPOTS. -Moisten the spot and apply salts of lemon until it disappears, and rinse well. Salts of lemon are made of equal parts of oxalic and tartarie acid, and any person can make them for their own use. Another way is to moisten with lemon juice, sprinkle on salt, and lay in the sun. If ink is spilled on colored goods think I told you before) a convenient that will not bear acids soak them immediately in sweet milk, boiling hot. Hot melted tallow poured through ink stains and before the useful indisposition had will remove them.

OIL STAINS OUT OF WHITE CLOTH. -Make a strong solution of borax waterone tablespoonful powdered borax to a pint of boiling water; place the cloth on a clean board or table and rub the oil stains well, using a clean brush dipped into the solution; if the spots are of long standing a very little soap may be used with the borax water; rinse well with clean hot water, using the brush for that purpose, then rub dry with a clean soft

CLEAN SILVER,-Table silver To should be cleaned at least once or twice a week, and can easily be kept in good order and polished brightly in this way: Have your dish-pan half full of boiling water; place the silver in, so that it may become warm; then with a soft cloth dipped into the hot water, soaped and sprinkled with powdered borax, scour the silver well: then rinse in clean hot water; dry with a clean, dry cloth.

To PREVENT MOTHS .- If a small piece of paper or linen, moistened with turpentine, be placed in wardrobes or drawers, two or three times a year, it will effectually prevent any damage from moths. When furs are packed away in the spring, they should be beaten well with rattan, in order to dislodge any eggs of the moth; afterward brush thoroughly and sew up carefully in a linen pillow case; over all pin newspapers, leaving no crevice where an insect could insinuate itself. It would be well to paste the edges of the paper together. If well done, you need not fear for the most valuable furs.

I have read with interest the notice in your issue of the nineteenth by "Free

How to Manure Orchards.

Talker" of one of the meetings of the Pomological Society when the necessity that it is always easy for us to bear the of a system of fertilization of orchards misfortunes of others, was broached, especially of the orchards of the Michigan Lake Shore, where the soil is of a silicious character. This matter of enriching orchards has been clusion to make an attempt in that direction on about ten acres of apple orchard. In the spring of 1876 I plowed the ground as deep as I could, then sowed one bushel of clover seed; and tend to let grow the balance of the seaseon, ripen the seed and thereby restock
the land. In 1878 I think there will be
the land. In 1878 I think there will be

Michigan Farmer. Apples Every Other Vear. One year ago the country was flooded by an immense apple crop. They were not worth the cost of picking and housing in many places. Farmers having large orchards were tempted to give up raising apples as a farm crop, because when they are plenty the price is so low that there is little profit from the crop, and when the price is high there are no Why it is so I shall not attempt apples. Why it is so I shall not attempt to explain, but it seems to be a fact that the little family as if to inquire how they apple-trees bear about all their fruit in are all getting along. Should the old even years. In a few orchards in New cat happen to be there during these frein some of the extreme Western States easiness, while should any children or the habit of bearing only in even years does not seem to be as yet fully estab-The tendency, however, seems frequently has, in some new place. to be all that way. Now we wish every farmer and every farmer's son would make the experiment of picking off all the fruit from at least one apple tree this year, as soon as the fruit is as large as acorns; and from another tree pick off the larger portion of the fruit at the same stage, and note the results, Whether the bearing years can be changed by this course, we are unable to say with certainty. It has been often claimed that the change might be made in this way. At any rate the object is well worth working for. The trees should be manured and the ground cul-

## Thoughts for Saturday Night.

tivated to stimulate growth and the

formation of fruit buds, as the crop of

fruit is always determined the year pre-

vious, - Kansas Farmer,

If you take temptations into account, who is to say he is better than his neighbor?

Not great historical events, but incidents that call up single, sharp pictures of some human being, in its pang or struggle, reach us most nearly. Money buys air and sunshine, in

which children grow up more kindly, of of all classes, as we find them, only one course, than in close, back streets; it buys country places to give them good nursing, and happy, healthful summers. "Friendship" is of a large significa-

tion. By friendship we mean the greatest love and the greatest usefulness; and the most open communication and the noblest sufferings; and the most exemplary faithfulness and the severest

With a clear sky, a bright sun and a gentle breeze, you can have friends in pleuty; but let fortune frown and the firmament be overcast, and then your friends will prove like the strings of a lute, of which you will tighten all before you will find one that will bear the

stretch and keep the pitch. Few people have reason to regret that they bave talked too little. Forbear to sport an opinion on a subject of which you are ignorant, especially in the pres-ence of those to whom it is familiar. If through the brush for a little while, it be not always in your power to speak He eventually hid and we lost him; to the purpose, it certainly is to be silent; but the other one's skin is lying in shine, nor do the dust of the roads and and thousands have remembered camp, and I don't think the Englishman the stains of the bivonac foul it into

A Princely Flirtation.

Olive Logan writes in the San Francisco Call: At last the Princess of Wales has returned to England from her long visit to her brother the king of Greece. It is rumored, however, that she will not be here long, that she contemplates a protracted stay at her father's court in Denmark. Time will show whether that is the true report or princes and princesses do not take the general public into their confidence far more doubtful. It is said that the prince and princess have had a 'row;' that he lately flirted overmuch with the Countess of (let us call her) Blank, and that Alexandra roundly declared cold, which kept her at home from sunhad time to get thoroughly cured she

turned her back upon her spouse and went off to Athens just as fast as she could get there. Most likely it is all a got-up story, as were those thrilling histories which, soon after our Princess Royal's marriage, were so frequently manufactured of how the crown prince used to beat his wife and how Prince Albers had to be sent over to Berlin to the rescue. Married people, royal ones inclusive, will have tiffs sometimes-and oh, how dull conjugal existence would be if it were not varied now and then with a little warfare !—and, year after year, the Prince of Wales' resemblance in face, figure and, it is said, morals, to his royal predecessor and far distant relative, the eighth Henry, grows more striking. The royal Tudor of six wives memory was, as all readers of English history know, terribly given to the tender passion, but in these correcter days not even king or prince can send better half after better half to the scaffold or divorce court, and therefore Albert Edward is able to indulge in nothing more hurtful, lowever aggravating, than flirtations. Possession is nine points of the law, and thus Alexandra has clearly the advantage over every countess or other female rival, be she ever so fascinating. There is also a report that the Duchess of Edinburgh has been too much interfered with (by a certain distinguished personage) in her household concerns, in her private expenditures, etc., and has taken umbrage thereat, all of which demonstrates clearly the fact that royal mothers-in-law strongly resemble other mothers-in-law. Any way it is a great comfort to us commoners to think that royal people have their trials as well as other folks, which truism reminds one of what Thackeray once said-namely,

Queer Friendship of a Cat and Horse. When Mr. Huntington removed from East Bloomfield to this city, says the for some years a subject of some thought Rochester (N. Y.) Express of a recent At length I came to the condate, a white cat was left upon his make an attempt in that dipremises there. This cat had been a great pet with two little boys of the family, and cried so much about the old place, missing the boys, that Mr. H. brought her up to the city. During the spring he also brought the stallion dragged it in both ways; this was in the spring he also brought the stallion April. We had an abundance of rain at Narragansett here, whom the cat at once the time the seed was sown, and, after- recognized as an old acquaintance, havward, the consequence was a good catch. ing been accustomed to daily visit his The clover grew all the season without box stall when in the country, to watch pasturing. At this time of writing, it for mice about his feed box, or for a would be called a heavy crop. I am quiet nap, and in due time the two be having it moved with a scythe. As soon came warm friends. Upon the arrival as it is cut I have it raked under each of Narragansett at Mr. H.'s stable here as it is cut I have it raked under each tree as far as the limbs spread. This I the cat at once renewed her daily visits leave as a mulch; the second crop I in- to his box, at which the horse seemed

a heavy crop of clover. If so, I shall food, until at last Mr. H. said she pursue the same course of mowing and wanted to get into the barn, which was mulching. The second growth of '78 at proved the moment Mr. H. started for a proper time in the fall I shall plow it. Immediately in the barn the cat Thus I shall return to the land went to where Narragansett stood, maktwo heavy crops in the shape of mulch, ing for herself a nest in front of his fore and one, green, plowed under. This feet, under his head, and expressed her will be a cheap and durable way to comfort by her quiet. As Mr. H. reenrich our orchards.—J. Whittlesey, in turned to the house the barn was left open in case the cat wished to come again to the house. In the morning as Mr. H. little family of five, and the horse evidently aware there was something by his foot he would hurt should he step about much. The cat seems to have no fear, but goes and comes as she likes, while Narragansett, by way of amuse-England the trees bear in odd years, and quent inspections she manifests no unstrangers disturb by a look even Kittie

would soon hide her little family, as she

Dentistry in the United States.

That people are becoming aroused upon the subject of teeth can be seen didn't have any money to pay. I thought the soda busted him up, but 'twas the soda man who did it. He hauled off, rom the employment of from 11,000 to and he drew back, and he shut his jaws, 12,000 dentists in our country alone, who, according to the best authority, are annually packing into cavities in teeth no less than half a ton of pure gold, costing, owing to the great amount of labor required to furnish it, about half a million dollars, or one three-hundreth part of all the gold in the United States. Besides this, there probably is in weight four times as much cheaper material used for filling cavities in teeth, costing about \$150,000. In this country there are annually made about three millions of artificial teeth, mounted upon plates of gold, vulcanite and platina, which contribute to keep the fingers of this busy profession at work. this busy profession at work. What is more wonderful is that not half of the people avail themselves of their valuable services who need them, not only for their health and happiness, but to maintain beauty of form and complexion of the face. From statistics taken in America, it has been ascertained that out of an average of about eighty people can be found with perfect dental organs.
All the rest are troubled more or less with decayed teeth .- Farrar's Dentat Parlor Talks.

Waking up Grizzlies.

Texas Jack writes from the wilds of Wyoming Territory: "I came near getting into a scrape with two grizzly bears the day before yesterday. One of the Englishmen and myself saw them at a distance and headed them off with four ponies. When we came up they were both lying asleep under the shade of a scrubby pine. The ponies were so frightened that I had to hold to then while he shot. One fell dead, but the other made for us. My horse wheeled.

Again, and the while the shot are so frightened that I had to hold to then pouring through the little plain so far, stretched the concourse of stalwart soldiers. This army is a white army I fired and struck him just as he was coming up to my friend. The shot stopped him, but he recovered soon, and we

CAVALRY OF HISTORY. The Troops in Ancient Times-Changes and Improvements in the Service in Europe. Originally horses were only used in war for the purpose of bringing the chiefs fresh into action, and this was being bows and arrows, or javelins. In fact, the first cavalry were but mounted skirmishers. When Xerxes invaded from, and who are you, anyhow? Greece the Persian host comprised cavalry who were accustomed to charge from Cheyenne to make stamps hand with the enemy. Alexander the boss?' Great was apparently the first among "A the Greeks to understand the proper use of cavalry and to derive full advantage from their momentum. His cavalry were of three sorts; heavy, with coats of mail, helmets and brazen greaves, swords and short pikes; light, with lances sixteen feet long, used mainly for outpost duty; and dimachi, genuine dragoons, accustomed to fight either on foot or horseback. Alexander organized his cavalry in troops two hundred and fifty strong, with eight ranks. Between the troops he placed light infantry, a practice which has found favor with commanders who lived two thousand years later. The early Roman cavalry used neither saddle nor stirrups, wore no cuirass, and had only a shield and helmet. Their arms were light lances, avelins and swords. They sat on a pad, kept in its place by a girth, a breast-plate and a crupper. The Roman caval ry, as such, were for some time only ised for reconnoitering purposes, and to

caped off their horses to fight. Hanniintroduced great improvements in enemy, followed his example, and raised the mounted branch to a high pitch of The Germans formed their cavalry in as sixteen ranks. Their method of fighting was by riding up to the enemy without charging, and upon arriving within range of their pistols, they fired two pistol shots each and then the front rank wheeled to the right or left and unmasked the second, which took up the fire while the leading rank were retiring to the best.

practice arose among the French cavalry French adopted the vicious practice of the Germans, and soon all over Europe "Whose little cuss is he, Doc?" asked duced to a trot. Hence, for some time, neglected his fa o chips. cavalry was of little use in war. Gustavus Adolphus was, perhaps, one of the greatest military reformers that ever lived. He reduced the depth of cavalry to three ranks, retained only the cuirass and helmet in the heavy cavalry, abolished defensive armor altogether for the light cavalry, and ordered the cavalry to charge at speed, and after a single dis-charge of pistols of the first rank, to dash in with the sword. His successes caused his practice to be adopted all over Europe. Frederick the Great improved on the lessons of Gustavus Adolphus, and brought the tactics, the

"All Busted to Death."

a boy ran up to a policeman standing on Monroe avenue, and called out in an ex-

About nine o'clock yesterday morning

"Come on-come down here-hurry

What's the row, boy !" calmly in-

"Man busted all to death down here!"

"Yes'r! He drank two glasses of

oda water, and busted up like a biler!

I stood right there and saw the whole

down. See if the coroner is there, and

The boy ran back, and after being ab-

sent about fifteen minutes he returned

fellow called for two glasses of soda, put

em away as fast as he could, and then

and he busted that stranger in memory

of '76. He just came to his senses an

got there and he's rolling his eyes around

and sticking out his tongue and purtend-

ing that he's made at least nine cents out

o' the performance. You'd better go down and draw him in for forgery."—

Sounding Truths.

Says the Reno (Nev.) Gazette: Now,

we don't expect to check stock gambling

in the least, nor have we any desire to

his money, but there are, it seems to us,

a few points upon which we may all

ones on a margin in the stock market.

The man of family has no right to put

Stocks that are half bought belong to

A dollar in the store is worth two in

Every man may own the controlling

Shares in a homestead always pay divi-

No man can win unless another lose,

be slow and sure, and let well enough

A White Army.

An English correspondent with the

Russian army invading Bulgaria says:

"The white caps showed in a dense mass among the willow trees of the

now, white to the last shred, save facings

and boots. Officers and men wear a loose white canvas blouse which is the

so pronounced as to dazzle in the sun-

interest in a home; very few can control

Detroit Free Press.

capitalists.

mines.

the stock market.

"I got the facts a little mixed.

if any officers are around."

at a slouchy gait and explained:

dispersed order.

cited voice:

quired the officer.

see my mamma jest onst! O-oh! boy's tears.
"Let the little chap aloae, organization, the drill and the individual instruction of his cavalry to great perfection. The Austrian regular horse still depended much on their fire and "I didn't go to hurt his feelin's, Doc;

intervals, at a trot, or at speed, in

The desperado was actually trying to soothe and caress the lad. "Then call him Jim Pride, if you want to- and let him alove.

And so he was called Jim Pride after that. A very nice boy in his ways, he ful and jealous of the welfare and good morals of their boy as a lover would be

and he ain't agoing to learu it from you," one too-talkative desperado.

"Why don't you set up a Sunday-school for the boys here? When me "Now, boy, you go back and see if you were not mistaken," said the officer. "If there's a dead man there I'll go and little Jim here takes a hand you'll have to call in the checks and close the game, eh, Doc?"

of Joe Bunce, with the laugh of others around the gambling table, came hot words, and then the inevitable revolvers. ing, yells, and the terrific uproar of seat again.

cards. yes, dead! And I wish it was me. I wish it was me and not him!"

The next day Deadwood had a funeral a very sad one! There was a small rough coffiu into which the entire population in town gazed earnestly and tear-Many rough and some cruel fully. interfere with any man's right to bet hands suddenly become strangely tender and wished to help bear away that coffin. No one knew the boy's real name; but there is a marb'e slab at his grave. Was it a tender chord in a gembler's heart the comfort and support of his little that prompted this inscription?

Diamonds are found as little round pebbles, covered with a thin, brownish crust, and semi-transparent. When this brown coating is taken off they are colorless, but some are found tinged with red, orange, yellow, brown or black. Those When one covetous man gets rich, one hundred get poor. It is always best to and called "diamonds of the first water." Diamonds were first found in India and the Island of Borneo. The most celebrated mines in India are those of Gol-conda and Roalcondal. But most of these stones imported into Europe and America now come from Brazil, where they were first discovered in 1728. The art of cutting diamonds was discovered by Louis von Berquen, of Bruges, in 1456. It is now principally carried on by Hebrews at Amsterdam. Perhaps the most precious diamond in the world is the "Pitt diamond," which was bought in 1743 by the regent Duke of Orleans, who paid \$675,000 for it. The stone is now valued at \$1,000,000. The perfection of a campaigning garment for warm weather. The white of it is not large annuity for a diamond weighing with pain their garrulity, few have reason to repent their silence. will want to see any more bear yery absolute dinginess. It can be washed pigeon's egg.

THE WAIF OF DEADWOOD.

the Black Hills--His Untimely End. The proprietors of a gambling saloon in Deadwood, and their industrious visitors also, were for a moment diverted effected by means of chariots, from the contemplation of sundry piles which the warriors descended and fought on foot. Even when cavalry proper first came into use the horsemen did not of a small boy in their midst. He was charge in organized bodies or engage in an uncommon boy, too, because no comhand to hand encounters, their arms mon boy would have gone of his own accord into the Minerva saloon. "Young chap, where did you come

"My name's Jim, and I cum up here com Cheyenne to make stamps like all in regular formation and fight hand to the rest. Don't you want a boy here

"A boy! Major, do you bear that? The boy wants a place here. Jim's his name, he says," Yes, and I reckon we'd best take bim. too; only what'll we do with him? that's

"And where's that?"

what I don't know. Jim, where's you folks? "Dun no-home, I spect."

"I don't like to tell you that; and you don't know 'em-my folks-so what's the use in tellin' all about 'em, eh?" "That boy is sharp, major, sharp And you want a place here, boy, do von? "Yes, boss; I'm lookin' for a place,

I can shine boots, and do 'most anything. I never cusses and swears, but I the to smoke cigar batts and whole ones.

"Shine, can you? Now let's see how you can some before we hire you for steady work.'

And Major Showers left the 'look out' seat at the fare game to test the capacity pursue a beaten enemy. As late as the of the small boy who wished for a place, battle of Cannæ the Roman knights Major Showers was a gambler—a favo dealer; and his partner, "Doc." Puffer, bad carned the curses, because he had the Carthaginian cavalry, and the been the ruin of more than one poor Romans, ever ready to learn from an fellow.

This boy, Jim, was certainly the only small boy without an owner in Deadwood. It was a wonder how such a little wait came away there in the Black Hills. double order, with sometimes as many His own statement of it was perhaps as good as any : "I jest kept a comin' till I got here.

boss; that's the way it was," And that shipe of yours, Jim, ain't mite up to what we're used to here; but nebbe you'll improve. You see, we don' care what it costs, but we must have

the rear, where they formed up in reserve and recharged their pistols. Each rank did this in turn until the whole force had discharged their weapons. A that was the only bargain ever made man as a dog would a smaller animal. While struggling with the forceions the establishment. Like a rare paint the stomach. The dogs were attacking That was the only bargain ever made ing or a curiosity, the lad became an at-the beast in the rear, and she turned away from Simmons to follow them, leavof charging at full speed, sword in hand, araction. His quaint old-manish ways away from Simmons to follow them, leav-and the result was always the overthrow and sayings caused many a rough cus-ing him more dead then alive. He manof their opponents. Yet gradually the lomer, and those better beed, 100 to clop aged to drag bimself to camp, and was

a pistol, and the pace of the charge re- watched the boytill he wholly forgot and manner, and although the wounds are Mine and major's

"Young fellow, what's your name?" "Jim.

"Jim what?" out with it, quick or "-"Jim-I don't like to tell, so I don't.

My mamma wouldn't like me to tell neither. She said how I was going to be the pride of the family some day, if I was a good boy, Ob, I wish I could jest

And a torrent of tears told the earnest love of the lad for his far-away mother. Other eyes, total strangers to such sensations, were puzzied at the effect of the

remained too, in spite of the fearful life around him. And those gamblers of the New York. Minerva saloon were presently as watchof his mistress.

"The boy don't know anything bad, was the quietus Doe and his revolver put upon the wickedness of more than

From no greater cause than this banter

There was in a moment cursing, shootfrontier barroom light. Finally the noise ceased and the crowd came slowly together again. The favo dea'er took his

"Nobody hurt, gentlemen. Now we'll go on again with the game!" It was then that somebody pointed to a corner. A little bunch of clothes lay there behind a chair.

"Oh, God!" cried the dealer, springing up and throwing away his box and cards. "It's our little boy, Jim. Dead!

"Under this bit of turf, under this forest tree, Waiting for God to call, lies the pride of the

About Diamonds.

cutting occupied two years, and reduced the weight from 410 to 136 carats. The Empress Catherine and 2450 000 and Empress Catherine paid \$450,000 and a Hogs... Beef Cattle-Poor to Choice, ...... 678 Gain Sheep.....

Turkish Love of Water.

A Turk, writes a correspondent from Constantinople, thinks he can do nothing so grateful to God and man as the setting up of a fountain by the roadside or in the streets of the city, where the way farer and his animals may appease their thirst and bless the name of him who provided for their wants. Often in my travels in the interior of Turkey I have halted beneath the shade of a wide-spreading plane tree to slake my thirst at the limped waters of a marble fountain, and to repose from the noon-day

There is always some edifying distich from the Koran, that "Water is the guit of God, blessed is he who distributes 't;" or that "Water is the source of life and health," etc. The Turks are great consumers of water, and they are good adges of its quality and nice in whit they use. The favorite water that is sold at a para a glass in the streets is from Asia; either from Tchamlidja, on be mountain above Scutari, or from Karakoulak, some ten miles up the Bosphorus, several miles inward from

This is brought to the landing in bar-rels, on horses' backs, put in barges, and in this way carried to Constantinople beore daylight. Notwithstanding the length of the journey, it is as pure as crysial. The yeuders cry it as "Bowz guibi;" "As good as ice." A pasha will drain two large goblets at a swallow. As water is said to have fattening properties, the large draughts they take of it may be the cause, in part, of the obesity to which both sexes of the Turks are subject.

Struggle With a Bear.

The Souora (Cal.) Democrat relates he following: Last Saturday a sheep be der named Asa Sommons went into a corral near Leavist's, on the other side of the summit, and there met a very large cinnamon bear, which immediately attacked him. Simmons drew his revolver and jumped the fence, but the animal advanced and Simmons was com pelled to fire. The shot took effect and only served to irritate the animal, as did the worrying of two dogs that accompanied the sheep man, and before Simmons could place a safe distance between himself and the infuriated animal she was upon him. He fired again and she c'osed with him, and then both went down, the bear biting, tearing and clawing with fearful rapidity, shaking the man as a dog would a smaller animal.

While struggling with the ferocious then brought to Sonora, and taken to the Germans, and soon all over Europe the lance and sword were abandoned for Joe Bunce, a Deadwood terror, as be left shoulder and left thigh in a terrible not dangerous they are extremely pain-

Appetite a Necessity.

Appetite is a necessity. Without it, sufficient food is not received into the stomach, either to nourish the system or to give the stimulus to the bowels which they require. Both these organs and the liver become torpid in consequence, and the blood grows poor in quality and quantity. Improve the appetite, therefore, and avoid such results. This is most effectually done with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a tonic appetizer and alterative without a peer. It gives not only an untive without a peer. It gives not only an un-wonted zest for food, but enables the stomach wonted zest for food, but enables the stomach to digest, and the system to assimilate it. Flatulence, heartburn, nauses, and every other concomitant of indigestion, are removed by it, as are also biliousness and constipation. Each-narva and fiber of the blood is made to tingle with health by its use, and it is the leading remedy for despondency.

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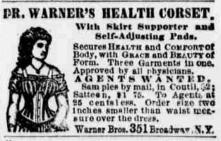
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