The Ivory Nut Palm.

A writer states that in 1843 Mr. William Purdie was dispatched to New Granada to collect plants for the Royal Gardens, Kew. He was specially instructed to find a few special plants, one of which was the ivory nut palm. In his account of this, Mr. Purdie says: "In a journey of 600 miles, from Santa Martha to Ocana, in New Granada in the village of Semena, seventeen leagues from hence, and near the great river of Magdalena, I entered the mountains, and saw for the first time the ivory nut palm (*Phytelephas macrocarpa*), called *Tagau* by the natives. The habit of this palm is to have little or no stem, what there is is decumbent; it is not a robust tree. Old plants have from fifteen to twenty primate leaves, which when fully grown measure nearly twenty feet in length, of a delicate green color, very graceful, and similar to those of the date palm. The male and female flowers are borne on separate plants. The male flowers are produced in six clusters from the bases of the leaves and on short footstocks. The clusters are compact and form a nearly globose head, which, on account of the style-like projections resembling the rigid hair of a negro, it is not inaptly called *Cabeza del negro* (negro's head.) These heads lie close to the ground, each cluster containing four of five seeds. The seed contains at first a clear insipid liquid, which afterwards becomes milky and sweet, and ultimately hardens and becomes the "vegetable ivory" of commerce. Each of these nuts is about the size of a green walnut, and is covered with a yellow, sweet, oily pulp, which is collected and sold under the name of *Pepo del Tagua*. A spoonful of the latter with a little sugar and water makes the celebrated *Chichede Tagua*, said to be the most delicious beverage of the country. The stem of the male is larger and more erect than that of the female, and the singularity of its inflorescence is only equalled by its beauty. The fragrance is most powerful and delicious, exceeding that of any other plant, and so diffusive that the air for many yards becomes alive with myriads of insects. Mr. Purdie states that he had to carry some of these twelve miles, and though he killed a number of the annoying insects that followed him, yet the next day a great many still hovered about the flowers, having come all the way from the woods where the latter grew.

Opening of the First Passenger Railway.

Fifty years ago—that is, September, 1830—the first passenger railway in England, the Liverpool and Manchester Railway, was opened with great ceremony. A year before a prize of £500 had been offered for the best locomotive engine, which had been won by Robert Stephenson's Rocket, upon which were subsequently modelled the old grasshopper engines of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, their appearance being suggestive of their name. Eight locomotive engines had been completed and placed upon the line, and all had been tested with entire success. To every engine was attached four passenger carriages, each containing twenty persons. The first engine, the Northumbrian, drew the most distinguished guests—the Duke of Wellington, Sir Robert Peel, and other members of the Ministry. It had one line of the double track to itself. The other seven locomotives with their carriages, followed each other on the other line. The procession started from Liverpool at 11 o'clock, with flags, music, fine weather, and great enthusiasm. Seventeen miles from Liverpool they stopped to take in water, and in order to afford the Duke of Wellington an opportunity of seeing the procession, the seven locomotives, with their carriages, were ordered to pass slowly by the Northumbrian standing on its track. Several gentlemen had alighted while the locomotives were taking in water, and one of them, Mr. Huskisson, member of Parliament for Liverpool, and an earnest supporter of the railroad cause, catching sight of the Duke of Wellington, between whom and himself there had been some political coolness, ran eagerly across the track to shake him by the hand. At that moment the order was given for the seven engines to move forward, Mr. Huskisson was bewildered. The Rocket, which was the leading engine, struck him while he was still in doubt where to flee. The wheels went over his leg and thigh, and he expired that evening. The accident cast a deep gloom over the day's festivity. The trip was concluded, that people waiting along the line might not be disappointed, but all rejoicing and gayety were at an end. The next day the railway was opened for passenger traffic, and carried 140 persons from Liverpool to Manchester in two hours. The original calculations of the construction had been based on probable returns from heavy merchandise traffic—coal, cotton and iron. They had formed no high expectation of any great emolument from transporting passengers. But the railway was hardly opened before an average of 1,200 persons daily were willing to trust it with their lives. In a few years it was found that the enormous traffic was too heavy for the original rails, and it became necessary to relay the road at considerable expense. But though September 15, 1830, is the greatest day in railroad annals, being that on which the world's first railroad was opened complete, the Maryland Railroad preceded the Liverpool and Manchester in utility. The first sod of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad was broken for its construction July 4, 1828, and by the next year, horse cars, assisted by one locomotive engine, were carrying passengers and traffic between Baltimore, the Relay House, and Ellicott's Mills.

Improvement in Vegetables.

Vegetables have been more improved in their qualities and appearance by careful cultivation than many persons are aware. Celery, so agreeable to the most palates, is a modification of a plant the taste of which is so acrid and bitter that it cannot be eaten. Our cauliflowers and cabbages, which weigh many pounds, are largely developed colewarts that grow wild on the seashore, and do not weigh more than half an ounce each. Beets and carrots were originally little more than hard, stringy roots; while the potato was at first no larger than a walnut. Turnips and carrots are thought to be indigenous roots of France; cauliflowers came from Cyprus, artichokes from Sicily, lettuce from Cos, peas from Syria, beans from Persia, spinach from Western Asia, radishes from China, onions from the East, and rhubarb from Turkey.

The Venomous Breath of Malaria

Does not infect the systems of those who use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as a precaution against it. Nor is it less useful as a remedy where intermittent and remittent fever has fully established itself, in consequence of a neglect of preventive measures. It checks the paroxysms with astonishing certainty, and eradicates this type of disease, even in its most inveterate form. This medicine is an especial boon to the emigrant population of the far West, where fevers of a malarial type are particularly prevalent, but the recognition of its merits is so far from being limited, that it is known and approved at its true value throughout the length and breadth of America. Travelers by land and sea, miners and sojourners in unhealthy localities, esteem it highly, and are its most constant purchasers, and in many a rural household far and wide it is the chosen family specific.

HUMOROUS.

M. X. and his spouse dine together. The meal is almost over, when he takes the bottle of Bordeaux, in which is left a scanty half-glass of liquor, and prepares to empty it into his own tumbler.

"Don't, darling, don't," cries his wife, who is superstitious; "if you drink the last drop of that wine you will be married again before the year is out, and I love you too much for that."

And she emptied the wine into her own glass and tosses it off.

SCENE.—Augusta's boudoir. Lucy holds an open letter in her hand, and says: "Well, you see, dear, I only met him at Mount Desert this summer, and we did flirt desperately, but its too absurd, his writing to me now and proposing, now, isn't it?" Augusta—"Awfully bold, I think; but then it is just like a man. Shall you accept him?" "Lucy—Well! I don't know what to do. He don't deserve it, but then he's awfully handsome, and besides I really think I would be a good wife. I can make splendid corn bread.

A GOOD woman, after the death of her husband, had married a brother of the departed. She preserved, nevertheless, in her dining room, a picture of her first spouse. One day a guest at the table, noticing the portrait, asked her if it was a member of her family. "Yes," replied the lady frankly, "it is the portrait of my poor brother-in-law."

A MAN was once asked how he and his wife got along with so little friction in the family machinery. "Well," said he when we first married we both wanted our own way. I wanted to sleep on linen sheets, my wife preferred cotton, and we couldn't agree. Finally we talked the matter over and came to the conclusion that it was unchristian to live in constant bickering; so we compromised on linen and have got along all right ever since.

BOGUS CERTIFICATES.—It is no vile drugged stuff, pretending to be made of wonderful foreign roots, barks, &c., and puffed up by long bogus certificates of pretended miraculous cures, but a simple, pure, effective medicine, made of well known valuable remedies, that furnishes its own certificates by its cures. We refer to Hop Bitters, the purest and best of medicines.—*Exchange.* See another column.

COLONEL McClurg kicked a man out of an Alabama hotel for a personal affront. Six months after he saw the same man kicking another poor fellow out of another hotel. "Tush, man," said the Colonel—"Hold, but ain't you the man I kicked out of the Nassau House, a little while ago?" "Keep still, colonel," was the response. "Don't say one word. You and I know who it will do to kick."

HE was a plain old granger, and when his son informed him that he had determined to go to college and learn something, the old gentleman looked straight at him and said: "Now look-a-here, John, you may learn readin', ritin', 'rithmetic, and a little jography, but if you grapple with any o' them dead langwidges, I'll kill you when you come home, so's they'll do you some good."

MME. D., who has been guilty of uttering a hasty word to one of the servants, repents and says kindly to him, "John, I'm afraid I spoke crossly to you a few moments ago."

John generously, "Oh, madame, you know that I always make allowances for my poor employers!"

"Do you see here where you are charged, sir, with being drunk and disorderly?" observed the recorder, holding out the affidavit just signed and sworn to by a policeman. The tramp took the affidavit, read it carefully, upside down and replied: Am I to blame? I never wrote that."

FIRST Boy—"Where yer bin, Billy?" Second Boy—"Bin fishin'." First Boy—"Ketch anythin'?" with an anxious expression on his face. Far-seeing Second Boy—"No. But I expect ter when I get into the house."

AN unpleasant passenger on a street car is a crying Baby. In such cases Dr. Bull's Baby syrup should be given to the little sufferer to ease its troubles. 25 cents a bottle.

THE pastor and deacons of a church at Gainsville, Texas, are said to have played poker, at 5 cents ante and 50 cents limit, while waiting for a quorum at a business meeting.

HE is a wise preacher who pauses in his prayer when the fire alarm sounds, to allow his people to count the strokes and locate the box.

THOSE who work can take care of themselves. A kind Providence must provide for loafers.

ARE you a wall flower," he asked, and she replied, "No, I am a wall sir." Then they waltzed.

AN Oswego woman thinks her husband very stern—because he's always behind.

WAS William Penn's pocket-handkerchief the original pen wiper? Who nose?

CHEMICAL analysis fails to find the least trace of adulteration in Dobbins' Electric Soap, (made by Cragin & Co., Philadelphia, Pa). For sale everywhere. It is for your interest to try it.

Can the fellow who tenders a lady a biscuit be said to offer her a doughnation.

IN a malarial district of Indiana they have a base-ball club they call "Qui nine."

A MAN who goes fishing should take luncheon along. He may get no other bite,

A man cares little for his wrongs when getting his funeral rites.

It's a game of bluff when you try to scale a precipice.

A SAILOR makes tarring tours.

Money Safes.—A recent contrivance for the protection of money safes is a net of telegraph wire spread all over them, in electric communication with a powerful alarm bell. Any attempt to force the safe open, to drill its sides, to cut or remove the net work, or to tamper in any way with the apparatus, sounds the alarm.

A DRY, RASPING COUGH, irritates and endangers the Lungs, and greatly debilitates and annoys the patient. Dr. Jayne's Expectorant removes constriction of the bronchial tubes, promotes easy expectoration, heals all inflamed parts, and brings about a speedy cure of the most stubborn Cough or Cold.

DOMESTIC.

A FRENCH WAY OF WASHING CLOTHES.—A system of washing clothes has lately been introduced in some French towns which is worthy of mention. Its economy is so great as greatly to reduce the cost. This is the process; Two pounds of soap is reduced with a little water to a pulp, which having been slightly warmed, is cooled in ten gallons of water, to which is added one spoonful of turpentine oil and two spoonsful of ammonia; then the mixture is agitated. The water is kept at a temperature which may be borne by the hand. In this solution the white clothes are put and left there for two hours before washing them with soap, taking care, in the meantime, to cover the tub. The solution may be warmed again and used once more, but it will be necessary to add half a spoonful of turpentine and another spoonful of ammonia. Once washed with soap, the clothes are put in hot water, and the blue is applied. This process, it is obvious, saves much time, much labor and fuel, while it gives to the clothes a whiteness much superior to that obtained by any other process, and the destructive use of the washboard is not necessary to clean the clothes from the impurities which they contain.

SNOW DRIFT CAKE.—1 cup powdered sugar, 1 heaped cup prepared flour, 10 eggs the whites only whipped stiff, juice of one lemon, and half the grated peel; and finally the flour. Stir in very lightly and quickly, and bake at once in two loaves or in square cards. It is very nice baked as jelly cake and spread with this filling; whites of three eggs, 1 heaping cup of powdered sugar, juice of 1 orange and half the peel, juice of one lemon. Whip to a good meringue and put between the layers, adding more sugar for the frosting on the top.

STEWED CAULIFLOWER.—Common heads will do for this; boil till about half done; drain them and place them in a stew pan stems down and set on a slow fire with a spoonful of fat. Stir gently so as not to break them, and in about five minutes add half a gill of broth (or half a teacup milk thickened with a tablespoonful of rice flour) and season with salt or pepper; simmer till done, stirring now and then, dish them, turn the sauce over them, and serve hot.

MILK TOAST.—Cut slices of stale bread half an inch thick, toast quickly, and dip each slice, as toasted into boiling water; butter and salt slightly and lay in a covered dish. Have ready in a saucepan enough boiling milk to cover all well. Melt it in a little butter and salt and pour over the toasted bread. Cover closely and let it stand five minutes before using.

CUSTARD FISH.—Boil the soaked codfish in water until tender; then pour off the water and pick very fine; have ready a quart of hot milk for three quarters of a pound of fish, and put into it the fish, and a tablespoonful of butter; stir until it boils; then stir in with a heaping tablespoonful of flour, and cook it five minutes. Let it cool a little, and then stir into two well beaten eggs without further cooking.

SET BACK 42 YEARS.—"I was troubled for many years with Kidney Complaint, Gravel, &c.; my blood became thin; I was dull and inactive; could hardly crawl about; was an old worn out man all over; could get nothing to help me, until I got Hop Bitters, and now I am a boy again. My blood and kidneys are all right, and I am as active as a man of 30, although I am 72, and I have no doubt it will do as well for others of my age. It is worth a trial.—(Father.)

JUMBLES.—One cup of butter, two of sugar beaten together; one cup of milk, half teaspoonful of soda stirred into the milk, and four eggs; beat it well together; add any kind of spice and six cups of flour; roll rather thin, cut it with a tumbler and a wine glass to form a ring; brush them over with the white of an egg, and sift on a very little fine sugar before baking. Bake them fifteen or twenty minutes.

APPLE MERINGUE.—Pare and cut in quarters some apples, stew them with a little sugar until tender, and lay them in a shallow dish. Beat the whites of four eggs to a stiff froth, mix with them a teacupful of powdered sugar, spread over the apples, and bake fifteen minutes in a moderate oven.

SPANISH CREAM.—One ounce gelatine three pints of milk, six eggs, eight tablespoonfuls of sugar; cook the gelatine one hour in the milk, then when it comes to a boil beat the yolks of the eggs with the sugar and stir in, let it simmer; then take off the fire and pour over it the whites of the eggs beaten to a froth; flavor with lemon or vanilla.

APPLE JELLY.—A very nice, firm jelly may be made from the parings of apples and the cores. Cover them with water and let them boil until the water has wasted a little and the apple-skins are very soft; then strain them and add an equal quantity of sugar as their liquid. A little lemon juice, a few cloves, and some ginger improve the jelly.

For a good cement for sealing bottles, mix three parts of rosin, one of caustic soda, and five of water. This composition is then mixed with half its weight of plaster Paris. The compound sets in three-quarters of an hour adheres strongly, is not permeable like plaster used alone, and is attacted only slightly by warm water.

The Umbrella Commandments.

Much observed during the late rainy season.

Thou shalt neglect no opportunity to steal thy neighbor's umbrella.

Thou shalt not respect the umbrellas of the father-in-law or mother-in-law, or any of the umbrellas of their maid servants or man servants.

Thou shalt if possible, steal the umbrella of the stranger within thy gates.

Thou shalt buy only for thyself a cheap cotton umbrella.

Thou shalt leave it in place of thy friend's silk, ivory-handled, $5 umbrella.

Thou shalt walk rapidly away with it, looking neither to the right nor left, and wear on thy face a meek, harmless expression.

How Women Would Vote.

Where the question admitted to the ballot, and women were allowed to vote, every woman in the land who has used Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription would vote it to be an unfailing remedy for the diseases peculiar to her sex. Dr. Pierce has received hundreds of grateful testimonials of its curative power.

IOWA CITY, *Iowa March 4th* 1878.

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Yours thankfully,

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AGRICULTURE.

HARVESTING TOBACCO.—A very good way is to cut the plants just at night, and take them to the shed early in the morning after the "dew is off." The plants are then cool and less liable to pole rot or sweat by adopting this method of harvesting. In hanging the plants avoid crowding, as space is as much an object with tobacco growers as with newspaper men, and if the plants are over-crowded, the leaves are apt to sweat and rot. In about two weeks however, the danger is passed and the leaves will have commenced to "cure down," changing at first from green to yellow and from yellow to brown, the natural color of the leaf. Too rapid curing is not desirable, since the leaf is apt to be dry and husky, rather than soft and silky. Keep the sheds as dark as possible if dark-colored leaf is sought for, and open the doors if a lighter shade is wished for. Close the doors next the sun at all times, and open on the other side, but open all during the night, unless the weather is very muggy—a most dangerous time for the curing process and the time when pole rot and sweat will ensue. After the plants or leaves are all "cured down," close the sheds tight so that the color may even up, but should a damp spell come on, open the doors, but not if rain beats in on to the leaves. Before cutting the plants see that all are thoroughly suckered, as the offshoots are liable to grow when hung up, and the curing leaves come in contact with them are apt to rot and be otherwise injured. Tobacco plants may be hung either with twine or string, on laths, as may be thought best. Both modes of hanging in the sheds have their advocates, many claiming that when hung on laths the leaves cure better and are less liable to sweat or rot. Well-ripened tobacco will cure faster than when only partially ripe; hence there is less danger from rotting when the plant is thoroughly matured. Havana seed tobacco must not be cut unless well-ripened, as the leaves will be bitter in flavor if cut when green. The plants of this variety should stand in the field so long as there is no danger from frosts, say from eighteen to twenty-four days after being topped, and in some cases even longer. On low grounds, where the early frost nips the vegetation, the plants should be carefully watched and cut, even if not ripe; since severe frost, or any frost, even a "white" one, unfits the leaves for use, and since unripe tobacco is better than that touched by this merciless foe of the weed.

PERSONS of sedentary habits, and overworked, find in Dr. Bull's Baltimore Pills a specific for want of Appetite, Palpitation, Debility, Constipation, and many other ailments. At all druggists. Price 25 cents.

RATS.—The damage by rats is one of the most serious losses to which farmers are subjected. On the whole, this loss is doubtless greater than that from all the fires which occur upon farms. We have tried a preparation called "Poisoned Wheat," put up for the purpose of destroying vermin, and find it very effective. The rats disappear; that is, all that can be noticed. But poison of any kind should be used so that fowls or other animals cannot get it. To destroy the rats is now a timely work, and will prevent much future loss of grain.

SMUT AND RUST.—These troublesome diseases of wheat and rye may be prevented by pickling the seed. The pickle may be made of strong brine, or of a solution of four ounces sulphate of copper, in one gallon of water. Sprinkle the seed grain, stir thoroughly to wet every kernel, and spread to dry. Either of these will destroy the spores, which are the seed of the parasitic fungi, known by the above names.

AFTER many experiments, a certain and speedy remedy for burdocks has been discovered in kerosene oil. A small quantity poured into the heart of the plant, directly after cutting, leaves no trace of their existence save a small hole in the earth where they stood. Refined or crude oil will accomplish the purpose equally well.

Dried and Crystallized Flowers.

There are many of our brilliant flowers, such as dahlias, pansies, pinks, geraniums, sweet-williams, carnations, gladioli, which may be preserved so as to retain their color for years. White flowers will not answer well for this purpose; nor any succulent plants, as hyacinths or cacti. Take deep dishes, of sufficient depth to allow the flowers to be covered an inch deep; get the common white sand, such as is used for scouring purposes, cover the bottom of the dish with a layer half an inch deep, and then lay in the flowers with their stems downwards, holding them firmly in place while you sprinkle more sand over them, until all places between the petals are filled and the flowers are buried out of sight. A broad dish will accommodate quite a large number. Allow sufficient sand between. Set the dish in a dry, warm place, where they will dry gradually, and at the end of a week pour off the sand and examine them; if there is any moisture in the sand it must be dried before using again, or fresh sand may be poured over them the same as before. Some flowers will require weeks to dry, while others will become sufficiently dry to put away in a week or ten days. By arranging these with grasses and putting them on wire stems they will make a pretty bouquet mixed with pressed ferns. A pretty way to preserve cut flowers is to place a vase containing the cut flowers in the centre of a flat dish, into which a little water has been poured; insert a bell glass over the vase, so that the rim of the glass is covered by the water, thus forming an ari-tight chamber. The air surrounding the flowers will be kept constantly moist, and will remain so as long as the supply of water in the dish is kept undiminished. I recommend those who love to see plenty of fresh flowers in their sitting rooms in dry weather to adopt this plan. The experiment can be tried on a small scale by inverting a tumbler over a rosebud in a saucer of water. If some camphor has been dissolved in the saucer it will greatly assist in keeping the flowers fresh. Violets may be preserved for a long time by sticking them with short stems into a glass dish filled with damp silver sand, and then inverting a tumbler over them. Flowers may be preserved for many months by dipping them carefully, as soon as gathered, in perfectly limpid gum water; after allowing them to drain for two or three minutes, arrange them in a vase. The gum forms a complete coating on the stems and petals, and preserves their shape and color long after they have become dry.

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BOONSBORO, Wash. Co., Md, March 16th, 1879.

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Respectfully yours,

S. S. DAVIS, M. D.

RALEIGH, North Carolina, February, 14th, 1878.

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We can but congratulate you on the high standard which your most excellent pianos have attained, and must bespeak for them a future which will place them in high favor with the musical world. I shall always be pleased to recommend your pianos to those of my friends who may desire to purchase, and to bring them to notice in our community.

Truly yours,

(Judge) CHAS. D. UPCHURCH.

We take great pleasure in again calling the attention of our friends and readers to the Mendelssohn Company's Jubilee Organs, a notice of which appeared in these columns some time ago.

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