

FIELD BEANS.—It is stated that few of the Western States supply a supply of white beans sufficient for home consumption, and the amount eaten is far smaller than it should be. No vegetable food contains a larger amount of nutriment than beans. In the formation of muscles they are nearly equal to any kind of meat. Beans form a staple article of diet in all countries noted for their thrift. The institution of baked beans had much to do with the prosperity of the New England States. Famine rarely if ever occurs in countries where beans form a leading article of food. Scarcely any crop can be produced from a given amount of land that will supply as many persons with food as a crop of beans. Common field beans are easily and cheaply raised. The seed costs very little, and the labor of cultivation of it is small. A very fair crop of beans may be raised by sowing them broadcast in soil in all countries. In May, sown in this manner no cultivation is required. It is usual to plant them in drills on old land and to tend the crop with a hoe and cultivator. The drills may be as near together as will allow the running of a cultivator between them. Little cultivation is required except to keep down the weeds and grass. The plants should never be disturbed while they are wet with dew or rain, as the least touch will cause the leaves to rust. The land on which beans are planted should be of nearly uniform character, so that they might all ripen at about the same time. Very fine soil is not necessary for the production of a good crop of beans. It is necessary, however, that the land be dry. No crop will do as well on sandy hills and knolls as common white beans.

HOME-MADE MACRAME LACE PILLOW.—For macrame lace either thread or supple for the purpose may be used; or, as it is rather expensive, fine string, a pale brown color and four pence or six pence per ball may be used, and looks equally well. To make a pillow yourself, get an old wooden box—your grocer would probably give you one—about eighteen inches long, twelve broad and three or four deep. Fill this with bran, and cover it tightly all round the sides with a piece of calico or holland. Make a slit in the top of the cover, and with a spoon fill it as much more bran as you can squeeze in. In this way you get the pillow much firmer. Sew up the slit with a strong thread, and then cover all round with a piece of bed ticking, putting the straight lines the length of the box, as they are a guide in keeping the threads straight. Put an extra piece on the side, in order to form a little pocket which will keep the pins, crochets and knitting-needle in the work. The two latter are fastened to the pillow by a strong pin, and the more pins used for fastening the knot as you proceed with the pattern, the firmer and more even will the work be.

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A VERY GOOD PREPARATION OF GLYCERINE has always on hand can be readily prepared by any apothecary or druggist: In two ounces of sweet oil of almonds, melt, by a slow heat, half an ounce of spermaceti and one ounce of white wax. Then add one ounce of good glycerine, stirring in a little oil of rose. Keep in small jars or small wide-necked bottles. In cold weather keep closely exposed to warmth. Half or a fourth of the above quantity may be used. It is excellent for softening the skin, for the most injured skin surfaces that are not open sores, for chapped faces, for moist, ching corns or calloused feet or toes, and especially for chapped feet, lips, or hands. When the hands are chapped or cracked, or roughened by cold, wash them clean with soap, and rub them with this glycerine ointment, wiping it off to prevent soiling clothing. If this is done at night, the hands will be soft and in good condition in the morning, except when deeply cracked. It is very good to apply to the hands after "washing" with soap. This is an excellent preparation to use by those afflicted with the distressing trouble known as hemorrhoids, or piles.

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HOW IT PAYS TO RAISE CABBAGES.—Let us look for a moment into the details of growing, say half an acre of cabbages, and note what the result is likely to be. A piece of land fitted to produce a good crop of potatoes is in good condition to raise cabbages. Set them four by five feet will require about twenty hundred bushes, and they should cost about \$5 per hundred, or \$80. During the first season potatoes may be planted between the rows and between the bushes, without materially injuring the growth of the bushes or the yield of the potatoes. During the second year beans may be planted between the rows, which, with what fruit is obtained, should pay the original \$80. And the third year they should produce one and one-half pounds to the bush, which, at six cents per pound, would amount to \$18. At the end of the bush has attained its growth, with good culture, a fair average yield would be about three pounds to the bush, which, at six cents per pound, would amount to \$216. The expense for labor and manure annually would not vary materially from that required for an acre of potatoes after they were planted.

PREPARING MANURE FOR HOT-BEDS.—A fresh manure, in which there is plenty of litter, is most suited for this purpose. It should be left for one or two days in the heap. If this is not in the mass in sufficient quantity add leaves or tanbark; shake it up and mix it well together, adding water if at all dry and musty, and throw it into a compact heap to ferment. Let it remain a week, and then work it over thoroughly, as before, and add water, if necessary. Where the ground is quite dry a very good method is to dig a space about eighteen inches deep, and put in the manure, tramping it firmly and evenly, and place thereon the frame or sashes, and put in the earth, as before, and cover it with the seed, having previously stirred the earth freely to destroy the seeds of weeds therein.

REMOVE ALL CAUSE OF IRRITABILITY AND discomfort from the baby, by using Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup, the surest, best and cheapest remedy in the world for the diseases of babyhood. Price 25 cents.

ENGLISH CONFECTION.—This is a favorite English confection. To make it, take three pounds of the best raw sugar and boil with one-and-one-half pints of water, until the candy hardens in cold water. Then add one-half pound of sweet flavored butter, which will soften the candy. Boil a few minutes until it again hardens and pour into trays. Flavor with lemon if desired.

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD IS DOING IN Philadelphia.

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY, is indefatigable in its efforts to improve the carrying capacities of its road, and at the same time accommodate the traveling public in the best manner. All along its various lines new and improved passenger cars have been erected, and at the same time track facilities multiplied to supply business demands. But the work of the greatest magnitude and importance on this line has been undertaken by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in building an Elevated Railroad from their present depot in West Philadelphia to Fifteenth and Market streets, thus bringing a line into the very heart of the city and landing passengers within a few minutes walk of the principal Hotels and business places of the city. This important work which was commenced in November last has been pushed rapidly forward during the Winter and Spring months and is now in such a condition as to warrant the belief that the line will be completed and in operation by the first of December of this year.

THE WASHINGTON HOTELS receive the regular rates, and it is amazing to see what a number of gentlemen in straight-fronted coats and white chokers are to be seen at Washington hotels.

THE INDIANAPOLIS preacher who says that prayer is a humbug used to be Methodist, has lately been a Unitarian, and now believes in the gospel according to St. Ingeroll. He will sit at a table and preach the religion of nothingness.

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