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## FARM NOTES.

-By raking the fence corners and burning the materials many harboring places of insects will be destroyed and the farm made cleaner in appearance.

-Eggs for hatching should be kept in a cool place, turned half over once a day, and should be selected for perfect shape, uniform size and from hens that are healthy

or cut them down with a scythe. This method will destroy them in one season. The nearer the seeds approach maturity the better, but they should not fully mature before they are cut down.

The early clover is injured when cattle are permitted on the field. There is a temptation to allow come to me the close weaken the bair. temptation to allow cows to use the clover field some, but any gain by so doing is al-ways at the expense of loss in some other manner. Cattle do much harm by trampling, for which reason not even the pasture should be used until the grass has made considerable growth. Close grazing should never be allowed

-Peach trees will stand more pruning and cutting than any other kinds. The tree bears fruit on wood of the previous year's growth and not on spurs, as with some other trees. Keep the young growth alive all through the centre of the tree, thinning the outer growth so as to admit light and air. Some of the young growth should be cut back to a stump, about an inch long, that new wood may form for the following year's fruitage.

-Compost is a term used for designating a mixture of manure, diet, leaves or other materials that have become decomposed and are in a fine condition. Those who grow flowers prefer compost to manure. A compost heap should be prepared now, using one part horse manure and four parts rich dirt, mixing well. On this heap urine should be poured occasionally, and the mixture should also be worked over as may be required.

—It is possible to give an animal an abundance of food and yet not supply its wants. It is the amount of digestible matter in foods that fixes their value. When hogs have a desire for coal, charcoal, rotten wood, etc., the indications point to a possi-ble lack of something required, which may be the mineral elements, especially lime.
The feeding of wood ashes or ground bone
would no doubt satisfy the desires of the
animals. The food should also be improved by the use of bran and ground oats.

-If an orchard is given as much care as grain crops it would prove more profitable than grain. There would then be fewer complaints of blight and insect attacks,

should be very fine and dry, well mixed, and dusted over every portion of the tree. The curculis is very destructive to plums, and the use of such a remedy as the mixture mentioned will cost but little and it may also prove as effective as has been claimed for it.

should be done with care, and labor should not be spared in the effort to do what is proper. as a good beginning is everything with a tree. Order the trees now, to be sent at a certain time, and insist that only the varieties ordered be sent. The ground should be prepared as soon as it can be done, the stakes made ready, and the trees set out as soon as they arrive. One of the points to observe is not to allow the roots become dry. Cut away all broken or injured roots, and leave as little top as possible, as the more top the greater work on the roots. The peach trees may be trimmed off like clean sticks, and no trees should have too many branches. Cut off the young shoots if they are too thick, so as to first secure good root growth before allowing a heavy top.

## Feeding a 26-Foot Python.

There are twenty five genera of the boa family, the most important of which are the two species known as the pythons. They are of great size, some of them attaining a length of 30 feet, and are noted, usually, for their voracious appetite, but occasionally this appetite fails and drastic measures must be employed. Some time ago the New York Zoological Society secured a 26 foot python, which was placed in the reptile house. It absolutely refused to eat anything, and while it is possible for a snake to refrain from food for a considerable paried there is an and able period there is an end even to the en-durance of a snake. As there seemed to be no inclination on the part of the snake to save itself from starvation, the authorities decided that extreme measures must be taken. The food, which consisted of two rabbits and four guinea pigs, was prepared. The animals were fastened to the end of a long pole. The snake was firmly grasped by twelve men and brought out in the centre of the reptile house. Its mouth was opened and the food pushed into it by the aid of the pole. The snake made violent efforts to break away, and it was only by the combined efforts of the men that he was held quiet enough to allow the gastro nomi-cal operation to be performed. He was then put back into the cage to allow the processes of digestion to resume .- Scientific Amer-

## The Wrong Connection.

The telephone girl, and the bill clerk, to whom she had promised her heart and hand, were sitting in front of the fireplace talking about the happy days to come when they would be one.

From one little detail to another the

talk finally drifted to the subject of lighting the fires in the morning. On this point the young man was decided. He stated it as his emphatic opinion that it was a wife's place to get up and start the fires and let her poor, hard-working husband rest.

After this declaration there was silence for the space of about three-quarters of a Then the telephone girl thrust out the finger encircled by her engagement ring and murniured sweetly, but firmly:
"Ring off, please. You have got con-

neoted with the wrong number. "-Salt

Lake Herald.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

It is as bad to slave at work as to slave at pleasure. But God may forgive what people cannot help.-Lazarre.

Peroxide is antiseptic and bealing. Its bleaching qualities make it feared by the average woman. In the hands of those who are familiar with its virtues and the

It can be applied to any part of the skin, but should be kept away from eyebrows, lashes and hair about the face because of its bleaching agents.

Mercerized chambreys, etamines and linens are the most popular for colored shirt waists in linen color, blue and pink. Yokes mark the difference between this year's and last's colored shirt-waists, sometimes only in the back, sometimes both back and

A deep gray with moss-green roof and doors and window casings white, is among the latest color schemes for exterior painting for a suburban house, and very effect-

Two points about lamps for house use are well to bear in mind. First, that the correct light for a student's table is low and concentrated, while a higher, more spreading lamp is best where a large room or dark stairway is to be lighted.

Remember not to call a room without books a library just because it is fashionable to have a library. Names should be given rooms consistent with their furnishings and uses. So, too, there have been known dining rooms without china, where the comfort of the room has been sacrificed

The advance spring millinery importa-tions, just from Paris, show a profusion of lace used in their trimming.

Narrow turn-overs are more than ever the proper collar finish. What may be called narrow turn-ups are also the proper corresponding finish for sleeves.

Redness of the nose may be due to tight lacing poor circulation or indigestion. To cure get at the cause. A temporary relief may be had from a hot foot bath. A lotion made of one drachm of boracic acid in in two and a half ounces of water is also

than grain. There would then be fewer complaints of blight and insect attacks, while the trees would live longer and produce more and better fruit. There are orchards on many farms that bear every year, though neglected, but the fact that such orchards do not fail is strong evidence that the proper varieties for the soil were selected and that with cultivation there would be larger profits.

—It is claimed that for the destruction of the curculis, there is nothing equal to jarring the trees and spraying, but good results have been obtained by dusting the trees, after the blossoms fall, with a mixture of one pint of crude carbolic acid and 50 pounds of dry ground land plaster. It should be very fine and dry, well mixed, and dusted over every portion of the trees, and dusted over every portion of the trees. seam 2 for about 2 inches. For the neck take up as many stitches as possible, from 112 to 124, according to size, knit 2 seam 2 for collar as high as desired, using 4 small needles as in knitting stockings. Sleeves can be knit in or sewed in after they are made. "Brioche" stitch in any number, -The planting of fruit trees in spring divisible by 3, thread in front of needle, slip 1, knit 2 stitches together. Always keep the thread in front of the needle.

> For your summer tailor made gown you could have nothing more stylish than the 'Gibson'' suit is the most striking and original: the back is cut in a single piece, which extends beyond the width of the ack a little-over the sleeves; the front. which is a continuation of the back, is brought over the shoulders, down to the waist line, where it is tucked or pleated into shape. It is one of the prettiest, plainest, quietest styles imaginable and gives the straight line from the shoulder to the waist that is so good just now.

> The hats of the hour are inclined to be small and are worn very much forward. The prettiest spring hat seen so far is a toque covered closely all over with tiny white Banksia roses. The craze for Irish lace of every description is a noticeable

Dark lines under the eyes are caused by the congestion of the veins of the part. No outward application will have more than a very transitory effect. The cause of the dark lines may be overwork, care, anxiety, prolonged study, lack of sleep or any trouble which will drain the system and deplete the nerve centers. Anaemic sub-

jects are apt to have dark lines. Massage will relieve the congestion, and in cold water with gentle friction around the eyes is sometimes useful. A little turpentine, rubbed into the skin once daily, with great care so that it does not touch the eye, will sometimes stimulate the circulation and relieve the congestion, but, generally speaking, the cause for the dark circles should be ascertained and

Where there is sudden inflammation o the eyes, red lids or any irritation pro-ceeding from cold, or due to any external ource of irritation, a simply remedy frequently all that is required.

Of these the best known is the old camphor eyewash:

Alum Eyewash. Borax, 1 grain. Camphor water not spirits of camphor 1 Pour a few drops of this solution into the eyes two or three times a day.

Another old-fashioned remedy, easy

get at any time, consists of a wash made by pouring hot water on tea leaves; let the leaves steep and cool, and use the liquid to bathe the eves. An alum mixture will often relieve in-

flamed eyes. Make it thus : Recipe for Simple Eyewash. Alum, 1

Pure water, 1 ounce. and to most

Drop a little into the eyes morning and But these recipes are only to be used for temporary relief. When there is inflammation, weakness or pain in the eyes, head-aches or neuralgia, that ordinary methods do not releive, go to an expert oculist. Don't take chances with your precions eyes!

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"crops are very uncertain, and the farmer must work ten days in the week and sleep only on holidays." Its population in 1900—14,745—increased in ten years only 294 souls. But Rice county has attained a claim to distiction that is almost unique in this country. It is mining rock salt nearly a quarter of a mile under ground, and has dug out of this mineral wealth about as many streets as there are in Lyons, the capital of the county, a little city of some 1700 inhabitants.

ness and of exceptional purity was selected for mining, and it is through this vein that the underground works have been extended. The bottom of the shaft is the centre of operations, and the works extending from it resemble the rectangular streets of a well-laid-out town. The main streets are twenty-five feet in width, running east and west. At frequent intervals they are crossed by other streets of the same width, running north and south. From these cross streets rooms or chambers are dug out, each having a width of fifty feet; and between each room and the one next to it a pillar of salt is left, fifty feet wide, to support the ceiling, or, in other words, the salt roof over the workings, which is only about ten feet above the floor. As this bed is yielding nearly 500,000 barrels of salt every year it will be readily understood that the ramifications of these streets far below the surface have become quite extensive. - New York Snn.

## The Patrick Murder Trial.

The Patrick murder trial is dragging its slow length along in New York City, and incidentally revealing a criminal combina-

tion which goes far to prove that truth is stranger than fiction. It is alleged that Albert T. Patrick, a niddle-aged lawyer of undoubted acuteness and resolution, attempted to poison one of his clients, an old millionaire Texan -William Marsh Rice. The poison was administered, but failed of its effect. Then Patrick influenced Jones, a colored in the service of Mr. Rice, to make an ending of his master with chloroform. He had acquired a hypnotic influence over Jones, who is a weak and shambling charoter, and has told contradictory stories.

On the day following the death of Rice, with whom Patrick had maintained some sort of intimate relations, a check for 000, signed by Rice in favors of Patrick, was sent to a banking house. In the body of this check Patrick's first name was put down as "Abert," while in the indorsing ignature it was spelled correctly as Albert. When the check was returned to Patrick he indorsed it with the misspelled name and returned it to the bank. The Teller began to have suspicions and telephoned to Mr. Rice's residence. Jones answered the call and said that his master was ill. On being questioned more closely, however, he admitted that his master had been dead for twenty-four hours. Meanwhile, on the Saturday before these events, checks amounting to \$100,000, with signatures resembling the check for \$25,000, had been cashed by Patrick without exciting any alarm. The Coroner immediately set about an inquiry, and the case assumed an even more serious tone when, after Patrick had presented a will made by Mr. Rice in his favor, three other wills were produced and litigation began. The millionaire seems to have had a purpose to devote a part of his millions to a Texas educational institution, but the will Patrick presented made him the inheritor of the money.

The theory of the prosecution is that the weakling Jones, Rice's valet, got his 'master out of the way by deliberate chloroform murder, being hynotized by Patrick. This accomplished, Patrick forged and put forth the will making himself the inheritor of Rice's millions designed for an educational bequest. sums blow

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