Potatoes for Planting.

Few operations on the farm recive so little attention as the selection and keeping of potatoes for planting, yet the success of the crop depends very much on the condition of the potatoes planted. How often we hear farmers complain that their potatoes do not come up well, or that they fail to make a vigorous growth, usually attributing it to the state of the weather, when in many cases the trouble is with the po-

In selecting and keeping potatoes one important fact is usually entirely overlooked, which is, that the potato is not the seed, therefore is more liable to be injured by keeping. Most of seeds are covered with a hard substance which protects them from the light, and the sudden changes of the violence or physicial neglect matters.

But better and more honorable than gratifying to know that the people are becoming thoroughly aroused. Whether the cruelty be in the form of physicial six he was engaged to Miss Carrier violence or physicial neglect matters. temperature, if kept in a dry place; but the potato being simply a tuber, has no such protection, therefore is very sensitive to light and variations of temperature, even though kept in a dry place. The potato is injured by being kept where it is too hot, too cold, or too dry. If it is kept too hot it sprouts baday, and thus loses its vitality, never again pro ducing such vigorous stalks as come from the first sprouts. If kept where it is so cold as to chill it, it is worse than keeping it where it is too warm, as it does not take much of a chill to prevent it from growing at all. The farmer in scleeting potatoes for planting should ever keep in mind that he is dealing with tubers, and not with seed, therefore size and form is not so important

As the potato when planted is simply the renewal of the old life, it carries with it many of the diseases which it may have gathered up, while a seed only carries with it the constitutional weaknesses of the parent. Thus the importance of selecting potatoes as free as possible from disease, and of keeping them where they will lose none of their vitality.-Mass. Plouhman.

FIRE-FANGED MANURE .-- A writer in the Country Gentleman says that fire-fanging is caused by the heat of fermentation driving off the moisture of the manure, and much of its value in other matters. It is always greatly injured in value and sometimes nearly worthless It is prevented by keeping the manure trodden solid with the feet of horses and cattle, by keeping it moist enough, or by supplying it with absorbents, such as turf or loam placed in alternate layers with the manure A good way is to draw it out and spread it on the the land as fast as it accumulates.

TWENTY-NINE HENS .- Mr. Gerry Valentine, Hammonton, N. J., forwarded the following figures regarding his poultry experience for the year ending Nov. to the American Institute Farmers' Club: "I have twenty-nine hens which have laid 4,364 eggs, and if my arithmetic is right, they averaged twentyfour cents a dozen, making \$87. 28 for Add \$30 for chickens and you have \$117.58. The cost of keeping I been kept so exact, but it was about

"Home Sweet Home."

After lying in a foreign grave for thirty-one years, the dust of the auther of Home; Sweet Home," is brought home at last, and the feeling with which the incident is regarded is well expressed by a poet of kindred impulse in a recent number of the Weekly. Mr. Ducykiuck gives a very interesting sketch of Payne in the Cyclopadia of American Literature, taken a great part from a paper of his friend Theo-

Payne was born in New York II 1792, but his father went immediately afteward to Boston, where at a very early age the boy's taste and talent for literature and the theatre appeared. Returning to New York, he was clerk in a counting room and a student at Union College, always with the same Theatre in New York as young Norval. He was a successful actor, and by the don in 1813. In England and France, brought out by Kean with great sucess in 1818. And when Charles Kemble became manager of Convent Garden, and applied to Payne for aid, Payne offered him a collection of MSS. for £230. The £30 was the sum asked for Clari; or the Maid of Milan. Kemble bought them all. Payne turned Clari into an opera. Miss M. Tree, the older sister of Ellen Tree, took the chief part, and sang, for the first time, "Home, Sweet Home." The play was enormously successful. Miss Tree made "a great match," and every body made money except Payne, who lost not only the £25 which was to have been paid for copywright on the twentieth night, but he was not even complimented with a copy of his favorite song. He to smile, and in 1832 he came home.

Here he had various projects, but nothing prospered. He went as consul

to Tunis, then returned, and vainly sought a more congenial place, finally going back to Tunis as consul, where ne died and was buried in April, 1852. There his body rested quietly, not in a "neglected spot," but in a garden of roses and carnations and heliotrope and garded by the Europeans and the na-tive inhabitants. On the 5th of January his coffin was disinterred, and, as a letter in the Tribune states, it was carried, attended by his old Arab dragoman and a few personal friends, to 'the little Protestant church where the chancel window is inscribed with his name. As the coffin was brought in an En-glishman at the organ softly played "Sweet Home," which an American again; but it may be restored at pleaswas placed upon a French steamer, which sailed for Marseilles. At Mar seilles it was transferred to a steamer for New York. The name of Payne will live in the heart of every genera tion by the pathetic tenderness of a sin-

Thomas Stewart, of Philadelphia backed by New York capitalists, proposes to start a manufactury of fibre lined paper at York.

The eruption of Mount Ætna is in creasing in violence. A new crater has The lava from the volcano threatens to overwhelm Nicolosi and other villages. The people living in the threatened places are fleeing from their homes. Troops are assisting them There are eleven fissures in the mountain. The central opening is active, but there is no discharge of lava.

"Why, I didn't cry. How could I when everyone else in the church was using white!"

THE LOST CHILD.

A PATE WORSE THAN ABDUCTION.

HOW PARENTS, BY A LACK OF PRECAU TION AND CARE, ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH OF THEIR CHILDREN.

(Camden, Me., Herald.)

The moral and legal responsibility of parents, in the care of their children is, fortunately, attracting the serious atten-tion of the better portion of the entire country. The many instances of child violence or physicial neglect matters not—the principle in both cases is the same. The man or woman who neglects his or her own health may be pardoned, as the consequences fall upon the individual alone; but the parent or when he reached her. It was deterinnocent victims of disease. Such parents may be guiltless of intentional wrong, but the disastrous results upon move to the quiet and cosy home her husband had provided for her.

But she has been an invalid all her their children are just as great.

to his bed much of the time, Hermon to his bed much of the time, Hermon was able to be about but in so weak a ward of his devotion. Mrs. Burdette He tound difficulty in retaining food

that critical time his elder brother, aroused almost to the pitch of desperation by the three deaths that had so recently occurred and the other one am not sure of, as the count has not staring them in the face, resolved to take the case into their own hands. \$55. The hens are a mixture of several They accordingly did so, and secured a breeds, but none pure. The White Leg remedy that was then being universal horn and Brahma predominate. The feed has been corn and wheat screenings, with some hog cheese and wheat middlings, pounded oyster shells, etc.

The white Leg. It was then being universal by used, and began giving it to him. Its effect at first was slight, but any improvement was considered a good symptom. By degrees his strength returned; he was able to eat with a our hands, 'The Rise and Fall of the relish, then walk about the house; and as above related, and that he was re-

while they lived, undoudtedly, provided faithfully for the wants of all their children; and yet the seeds of disease had taken deep root. Their care in one direction had been counteracted by un-known carelessness in another. Their love was sincere, but wholly misdirected. They should have known that children are just as liable to kidney and liver diseases as grown up people ; and that the fatality of Bright's disease of the tastes, until in his sixteenth year, in kidneys is just as great among little 1809, he appeared at the old Park children as with adults. This is a seriadvice of Cooke, Payne went to Lon- fever, diphtheria and the passing troub- cards upon a table in positions correswith varying fortune, as actor, mana-ger, and playwright, he remained for No case of cholera infantum, measles, nearly twenty years. His Brutus was scarletina, or diphtheria was ever virulent while the child's kidneys and liver were healthy. It would simply be an impossibility. These important organs of the body are just forming within the child and growing with its growth;

> ring the other. By a judicious treatveloped so that a strong constitution,

Restoring Faded Ink.

A valuable discovery has been recentmade, whereby the faded ink on old parchments may be so restored as to render the writing perfectly legible. The process consists in moistening the paroses and carnations and heliotrope and per with water and then passing over violets. There, too, he was kindly rethe lines in writing, a brush which has been wet in a solution of sulphide of ammonia. The writing will appear quite dark in color, and this color, in case of parchment, it will preserve. Records which were treated in this way in the Germanic Museum in Nuremburg, ten years ago, are still in the same condition as immediately after the aplady sweetly sang, and then it was left ure by the application of the sulphide alone through the night, watched by The iron which enters into the compo the dragoman, and in the morning it sitton of the ink is transformed by the

She Couldn't Gry.

"I saw you at the funeral the other day," said one lady to another yester-

"How natural the corpse looked!" "Just like marble." "I never heard a more affecting fu-

neral sermon, did you ?" "Never. And just think of it, when everybody was crying I reached for my handkerchief and found to my horror, that it was a red one I had in

my pocket."

A Humorist With a Love Story.

From the Atlanta Constitution.

Bob Burdette is known the country over as the humorist of the Burlington Hawkeye. He is the most successful of our lunny men. His books have a constant and increasing saic. His salary from the Hankeye gives him a handsome income, and his little sketches command the best prices from the magazines. In addition he has \$150 to \$250 a night wherever he wants to take a lecturing tour of one or twenty weeks. His humor is delicate, true and abundant, and he is an honor to the beating, oppression, and other forms of lighter American letters because of his

with the message that she was dying. guardian who permits the inroads of mined at the wish of both he and she disease upon the innocent ones depend-ent upon him for protection, is crimin-death should at once claim the bride. ent upon him for protection, is crimin-ally liable in the sight of God, however The ceremony took place in fifteen he may appear in the eyes of men. minutes, the little lady being able to respond only by a motion of the eyes to care for their children, but, who through carelessness or the urgency of other duties, permit them to become the lied, and was finally well enough to But she has been an invalid all her

life. More than once her life has been These are truths which must be mani- desprired of. Usually she has been est to every worthy parent and espec- confined to her room and unable to ially in a vicinity where the unknown walk. One night at a theatre in Phileffects of the atmosphere, the water and the general tendency to malaria are so earnest man making his way to a pri great. There are many families in this vate box, with a delicate, clinging wogreat. There are many families in this locality who have been called upon to mourn untimely losses, even when the greatest care was execrcised; but the experience of one only will be given; It is that of the late W. O. Thomas. The children were all most little lady, and her great, tender eyes and thanks to every gentle. promising, but for some unexplained seemed to send thanks to every gentle reason their health and strength seem | man who moved aside in courtesy. It ed to gradually lessen until their was Bob Burdette and his invald wife. friends feared they were the victims of consumption. One by one, they sick tations of the world, the dazzle and glitened and died until three had departed ter of the society that has welcomed and two of the surviving brothers him—the converse with brilliant men, were also taken ill. Their names were the club, the theatre, wealth, fame—all Hermon and Edward. Hermon, bow- and either of them failed to win his ever, seemed the stronger of the two; and, while his younger brother was confined to the house constantly, and

condition that he had no desire to has been the inspiration of her husplay. Eddie's symptoms were terrible! band's life—at once, his spur and counsellor. She first discovered the rich apon his stomach, was restless and irquality and the spontaniety of Bob's ritable, and out of his head frequently. humor and the homely flavor that At various times three different physicians visited him; and each one told his friends he could not live. He agine the humorist reading the most finally got so low that death was only laughable stories at the bedside of his considered a matter of a few days. At invalid wife. He tells himself of how

"One day when she was lying help-less, she said she believed I could write a lecture and deliver it successfully, and so she sat me down to write that lecture, and from time to time I rebel-led with tears and groans and prayers. Moustache.' This was all right enough. finally he regained complete health and strength. The boy was so rejoiced L would first truit at Keckul. It I over his recovery that, accompanied by the editor of this paper, he went before Justice Charles K. Miller and made outh to the facts of his sickness as above related, and that he was restored to perfect health by the use of and I knew if it was flat the Keokuk Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure.

Now, Edward Thomas's parents, while they lived, undoudtedly, provided faithfully for the wants of all their chil.

So I carried her aboard the cars. We went to Keokuk and the people

pronounced it good."
From that day he has prospered whereever his homely, insignificant little figure has been seen.

A Curious Experiment.

The ease with which persons fall under haltucinations of special sense is illustrated by M. Yung, in a recent comous subject. Hereditary traits : the af- munication to the Helvetic society of ter consequences of measles and scarlet sciences. The operator places eight les which so easily become chronic, all ponding to forehead, eyes, ears, nose, demand the greatest care and caution. netize" them and also some persons in the company, and then goes out, while the magnetized person is required to touch any one card. The operator, having returned, noten the action of a confederate, who scratches a part of his head corresponding to the card and they can be trained to strength and health as readily as the little mind can be trained to truth and uprightness.

touched. Then he cammences an innocent comedy, passing his hand carefully over the cards and or reaching the The importance of carefully watch touched card seeming to experience a ing the slightest troubles of the child, and strong shock. The observers are surespecially those affecting the kidneys prised, of course. One of them is ask-and liver, cannot be too strongly emed to go out and repeat the experiment. phasized. Children respond so readily It is assumed that a certain card has to the proper remedies and are so sen | been touched. Passing his hand over sitive to disease, that it is a sin to de- the cards, he indicates, in nine cases prive them of one at the risk of incur out of ten, a particular card as giving him a shock; and if the company be ment these essential organs can be de- instructed to support his idea of that being the "correct card," he is confirmed wrote Charles II., another very successful play. But still fortune refused to smile, and in 1832 he came home.

Here he had various projects, but experienced any sensation announced and twenty-three described some differ ent sensation.

The appropiation for public printing and binding for the next fiscal year is \$2,500,000. This sum is nearly \$300,-000 less than was asked for by the publie printer. The amount provided to pay the cost of congressional printing and binding alone \$1,402,000. The ecessity for a revision of the Government printing system and the curtailment by Congress of the enormous mass of stuff that is yearly published at the public expense is imperative.

In the last ten days of the session longress directed the publication of matter which will cost, for printing and binding alone, \$219,000, and additional appropriation was made therefor. A few day before the ad-journment the Commissioner of Pen-sions sent Congress, in response to a Senate resolution, a list of all the pensioners in the United States, with accomanying dates. It was ordered printed. Mr. Taylor, the Chief Clerk of the Government Printing Office, says that this report, when printed, will make eight volumes of 750 pages each ; that the services of fifty men for seven months will be required to print it, and

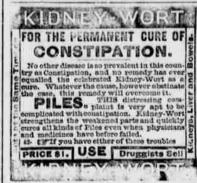
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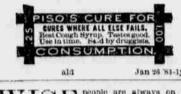
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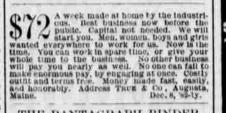
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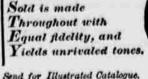
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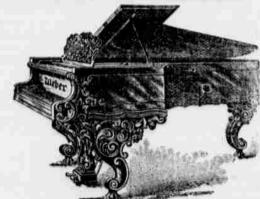
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1.50 a. m.—Erie Mail for Harrisburg and inter-mediate stations, Lancaster, Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington, arriving at Philadelphia 7.55 a. m.; New York, 11.50 a. m.; Baltimore 7.40 a. m.; Washington, 9.10 a. m. Through Pulman sleeping cars are run on this train to Philadelphia, Bautimore and Washington, and through passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Baltimore.

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TRAINS FOR RUPERT LEAVE AS POLLOWS, (SUNDAY BECKPTED.) Leave New York, via. Tamanend 9,00 a. m. and via. Bound Brook Route 7,45 a. m. Leave Philadelphia, 9,45 a. m.

Leave Reading, 11,55 a. m., Pottsville, 12,30 p. m and Tamaqua, 1,35 p. m. Leave Catawissa, 6,10 8,40 a. m. and 4,00 p. m. Leave Williamsport, 9,45 a.m, 2,00 p. m. and 4,80 p. m Passengers to and from New York, via. Tamanend and to and from Philadelphia go through "thout change of cars.

J. E. WOOTTEN, General Manager General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Jan. 10, 1881—tf.

DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.

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