FARM, GARDEN & HOME.

Fowls will cat a great deal of granulated charcoal. As a preventive of disease it is invaluable.

Egg shells crushed and shaken in class bottles half filled with water will clean them quickly.

A mixture of marl, wood ashes and rich earth makes an excellent manure for young trees. No animal manure should be used unless it be completely decomposed.

The shell lime, which is much cheap er than stone lime, is excellent for agricultural purposes, and the best time to apply it is when the land has been plowed and old sod turned under.

A pound of copperas, costing 3 cents, in a bucket of water, sprinkled from a watering-pot in the pigpen, will proand will also largely assist in prevent-

Cultivating the beets should still be done, as they will continue to grow un-til the frost shall appear. Beets are relished by all classes of stock in the winter, and plenty of them should be stored away. Carrots should also re-

The breaking of glass jars by hot fruit can be avoided in two ways: 1 By folding a wet towel and putting it under the jar while it is being filled 2. By putting a solid silver spoon in the jar before pouring in any of the

The white and brown Leghorn fowls begin to lay when only five months old. They are non-setters, lay white eggs, and rank very high as egg producers. They are, however, rather small in size, and do not answer as well for market as do the larger breeds.

Finely chopped clover hay moisten-ed with water that has been slightly salted and sprinkled with corn meal, makes an excellent food for old stock that cannot well masticate hay. It should be fed in connection with mixed ground grain, also with a small allowance of linseed meal.

Those who feed grain, in addition to grass, and feed it intelligently so far as we have ever heard them give an opinion, believe that it pays. One prominent feeder says that he finds that it requires only half as much grain to fatten an animal on grass as it does to latten it in the winter on dry food.

Cut up carefully two large tender chickens, and fry in butter in a sauce pan ; when brown, skim off most of the butter, add two finely chopped onions fried in the same gravy; seed and skin eight or nine tomatoes, cut in slices and add to the fowls, also half a green pepper finely chopped, a teacup of thick carefully browned gravy and the same quantity of peef broth; season and let it all boil slowly for half an hour, and serve with plain boiled rice in a sepa-

To can grapes, pick grapes from stems, taking only the perfect ones, and wash and spread them on a table on which you have previously put a table-cloth. Leave until dry. When dry fill the cans. Then place on stove to boil one pound sugar and one capful of water to every quart of grapes. When boiling fill up the cans with the hot liquid. Before sealing leave stand

A pretty arrangement for holding letters is made of wide-brimmed sunhats. They cost 25 cents, perhaps, and may be used after having been worn one summer. If they are plain, embroider a vine of daises, butercups or poppies with coarse wool and long stitches. Effect is what is wanted, not fine work. Line the entire inside with bright filk or satin shirred; fold together and the with a hig bow and ends and er and tie with a big bow and ends and hand near the desk, that the letter may be thrown into it without any trouble. If too much trouble to embroider, tie a bunch of wheat heads or dried grasses with a bag of ribbon or a bunch of

A newly patented composition for the removal and erasure of writing inks and writing fluids from paper, cloth and all other substances which writing fluids and inks more which with the substances which writing fluids and inks more which with the substances which will be a substance with the substance which will be a substance with the substance will be a substance with the substanc writing fluids and inks may come in contact with, without injury to the pa-per or other substances, consists of the following ingredients: Four quarts of water, four ounces of citric acid, twelve driver after the other had left. to sixteen ounces of strong solution of borax, and three quarters of a pound of chloride of lime. In preparing the Jehu, as he gathered up the ribbons. had been previously boiled and cooled are taken. Four ounces of citric acid six or eight ounces of a strong strained solution of borax are added, after ed solution of borax are added, after which the whole may be put in a bot. When Columbus died he first found a tle or suitable receptacle.—Manufac-resting place at Valladolid, But it was turers' Gazette.

There is little doubt that the production of eggs may be largely increased by a systematic scientific plan of feeding, and the average poultry keeper should give this matter a good deal of study and attention. The scientific part of it need not frighten any one who is willing to read, study and put into practice what they learn. Those into practice what they learn. Those who are recognized authorities assert that the egg product of a hen in her prime is about three times her own weight yearly, and in view of this fact the importance of supplying her with food rich in all the elements that make the egg is at once apparent. An egg contains all the elements of a living chick, flesh, bone, sinew, blood and feather, besides the shell matter, which is mostly lime. The principle elements in the egg are sulphur, oil, phosphorus lime and nitrogen. The food that is given the hen should contain all the eloments that exist in the egg. These are found in wheat, oats, corn, bran, linseed, crushed bone, sunflower seed and vegetable matter. A reasonable mixture of all these, varied more or less, with the aid of crushed limestone or gypsum would afford every element called for to produce a constant yield

But there is another point. A promi nent writer on the subject rightly re marks that one of the greatest mistakes in feeding fowls is overfeeding. When a person gets the chicken fever they get enthusiastic in the cause and stuff heir fowls instead of feeding them. If bens are allowed to run to grain the barn, they eat twice as much as they ought to, and the result is a short supply of eggs. Where they are confined to vards they are too frequently fined to vards they are too frequently to fine they are too frequently to fine they are too frequently too frequ georged with food which makes lat in stead of providing those elements which go to make up the egg. As a general thing own is fed to the exclusion of everthing else, and while it is a go od food for fattening it is a poor one for exclusively. No one for exclusively. No one for exclusively. No one for exclusively. g od food for fattening it is a poor one for eggs if fed exclusively. No one food contains all the elements, and some cort of variety must be provided.

- American Farmer.

Heating Cars Without Stoves.

The road upon which the most systematic and careful work in the direct ion of abolishing the car stoves has been done seems to be the New York Central, Mr. Buchanan, the superin tendent of the motive power upon the the road, says: "We believe that we have now a comparatively perfect heating apparatus for our passenger cars, safe, effectual, and economical. Of course you will at once ask why we have been so long about it. I can only say that while experiments towards getting rid of the car stoves has been going on for some years, it is only recently that something has been offered to us which is wholly satisfactory. Last February we equipped five cars on the Buffalo division. The appara-tus is simplicity itself. The steam is taken from the locomotive at a reduced pressure and is passed under the cars in a main pipe from which branches enter each car. At the car joint is a regulator by which the heat in that particular car can be kept at any point. The coupler between the cars is all metal, and condensation is provided for by a system of taps which discharge any water automatically. The system is practically a house warming apparatus in which each car represents room. There is no danger of explos iou, because the pressure does not exceed ten pounds in the pipes, and in case of a collision or a separation of the cars of the train the main supply from the engine is of course cut off. As to costs we cannot find that steam taken for heating purposes costs us anything. We are so well satisfied that this system is what we want that we have equipped thirty cars and have just given orders to equip as many more at once. By spring we shall not

The Destructive Power of Torpedoes.

pels the change.

have a car stove on the road." One

railroad man says that the Pennsyl-

vania railroad company will not have a stove by the end of next winter, al-though no law in Pennsylvania com-

The destructive power of torpedoes was recently illustrated in the Resistance experiments; but no exact account of their action has yet been published, as far as we know, of their use in notual warfare. Although the destruction of the Chinese corvet Yang Wo during the fight between the French and the Chinese at Foochow has al-most been forgotten, no anthentic report of the encounter has ever reached port of the encounter has ever reached us. The account just given of the annihilation of the Chinese vessel by a close eye-witness is therefore doubly interesting. The writer says that the French flagship had two torpedo boats attached to her at the gargways. The ship was about 300 yards below the Yang Wo. As soon as the firing commenced, both boats attacked the Chinese vessel. The first one fired her nese vessel. The first one fired her torpedo directly under the Yang Wo's after gangway-starboard side. damage whatever was done to the ship but the officer in charge of the torpedo boat was wounded in the chest by the return action of the torpedo. The other had in the meantime attacked the ship forward, a little abaft the cathead, on the same side. This torpedo was in direct contact with the ship. The ef-fect was that, when the torpedo exploded, it penetrated the fore magazine, or rather the fire from it. This blew up they will have settled. Be sure to have a damp cloth around the bottle when filling. Will be fit for use in six week. for several days. The Yang Wo was a wooden corvet of fourteen guns. The torpedoes used were booms—contact ones .- Iron.

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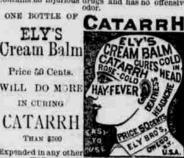
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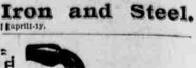


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