

DELICIOUS DISHES.

Gratin Mush.—Graham is one of the most beautiful and delicious of breakfast cereals.

Letuce Salad Dressing.—Take four tablespoons of oil, two tablespoons of vinegar, a half teaspoonful of salt and one-half teaspoonful of paprika.

Cream of Celery.—A most delicious soup, which is good always, and especially in the spring, is "cream of celery."

How Bananas Can be Used.—Bananas are about the cheapest and most seasonable fruit now in the market.

Pineapple Desserts.—The strawberry pineapple, in spite of its acidity, makes a very good compote, and is nice for desserts.

The Time of Flowers.



How to Draw a Will.

The wisdom of having the will drawn while in health, when the nervous and morbid fears engendered by illness are absent and the person making it is able to order a clear and reasonable distribution of her property.

When you find a fat goose pluck it clean, and let the fat goose pick the legs.

And legal charges are regulated not only by the amount of work done, but by the ability of the client to pay.

Go to any reliable attorney and tell him that you wish to have your will drawn, and that you can only afford to pay a certain sum for a fee.

You can drive nails into hard wood without bending them, if you dip them first in lard.

BULLET-PROOF COAT.

REMARKABLE INVENTION BY A GERMAN TAILOR.

Coats That Resist Modern Bullets—Middle Age Armor at a Discount—Secrecy in Germany About the Invention—An Exciting Test.

The latest sensation in the military circles of Europe is the bullet-proof coat which has recently been tested by a number of army experts.

Herbert Dowe, the man who conceived the idea of bullet-proof cloth, has spent several years in perfecting this new armor.



He had his bullet-proof coat tested on a semi-private shooting range near Berlin. A large number of people were present, chiefly newspaper men, military officers and representatives from the various German gun clubs.

More recently the inventor achieved his greatest success. He had interested Count Schouvaloff, of the Russian embassy, in his invention and this gentleman said he would like to make a test, provided the tailor would wear the coat while being shot at.

Dowe has placed the coat he wore while being fired upon on exhibition, as well as the solid pieces of oak which were penetrated by bullets that were harmless against his coat.



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NOTES OF THE FARM.

Feed puts the most flesh on young bones.

Keep pieces of chalk where the young animals can lick them.

Every animal must speak for itself, and only its pedigree can speak for its offspring.

The coming farmer must trust less to his eye and more to foot rules and pound-weights.

Do not try to repair a rail fence by piling rails on top. In this work go to the bottom of things.

The secrets of large yields always and everywhere are rich soil, good seed, and thorough tillage.

The farmer who makes his own pork and beef puts another bond on health and pays himself for so doing.

Don't talk while milking. You can't milk so fast; the cow will learn to give down her milk slowly; and the talking excites the cow.

When the law requires a man to restrain only his own stock, he does not need half so much fence as when he must fence against everybody else's animals.

In making men out of boys, and women out of girls, consider that the character of the material has something to do with how to cut to the best advantage.

A good crop of both corn and weeds cannot be grown on the same ground at the same time, any more than two railway trains can pass each other on the same track.

Profitable feeding must be steady feeding—in spasmodic feeding the fests may do actual harm, and the short rations surely entail loss.

Hooks about the stable, upon which to hang the lantern, are an excellent thing. The lantern set down is frequently knocked over, and the straw or hay set on fire.

Every dangerous bull should be dehorned. The operation is best performed on young calves, but can be done on mature animals without injury.

An experiment made with cows proved that when a handful of salt, or about two ounces of it, was given every day, the yield of butter was increased one-fifth; and when salt was held the yield fell off in the same proportion.

The Ash of Plants.

In some parts of plants there is but very little ash, while others may contain a large per cent. This ash is a complex compound containing a dozen or more substances.

Cultivating the Orchard.

A successful fruit grower pursues the following plan: He plows his orchard one way, leaving strips close to the trees about eight feet wide, and plants potatoes, covering them with straw.

Kerosene as an Insect Destroyer.

Kerosene is a cheap and effective insecticide where it can be applied without injury to the growing tree or plant, but to what extent it can be safely used has not been fully determined.

Roots for Hogs.

Parsnips, carrots, Swedish turnips and especially manget-wurzels, will all fatten pigs. The roots ought not to be given in a raw state, but always cooked and mixed with beans, peas, Indian corn, oats, or barley, all of which must be ground into meal.

Fruit Pests.

At the time when fruit trees are blossoming, and when sparrows have commenced their annual raids upon them, a good way of driving away these diminutive plagues, consists of lime-washing the trees.

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