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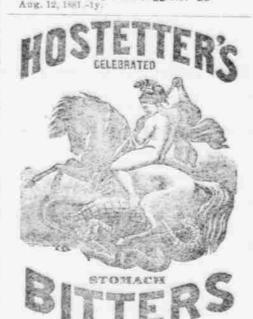
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mal," the naturalist said, "in proportion to your size, you could take Trintty church by its steeple and toss it over into New Jersey. There are animals in this drop that we can't see with this powerful glais. Suppose there was this same difference in size among the larger animals. Elephants would be as large as the State of Rhode Island. If this bell animal was as much larger than man as it is than these little creatures it is eating, we would see a gigantic scope of jelly larger than the Forty-second street reservoir coming down upon us, whirling in the water and causing such a suction that a regiment of men would, if in the water, be hurled and twisted and then encompassed by it. The strength of the known that the smallest section of the finest hair that could be cut seemed like a mountain beside it; yet the microscopic creature moved the end of an entire bair placed over the giass. In moving about it threw aside bits of algae and mud. That could be compared to the act of a single man striking down one of the giant trees of California or kicking over a block of houses. I am devising an instrument to measure the power of these microscopic giants. You see, among the lot there are always a number to that seen, from no special cause, to be in great terror, rushing about wildly, stopping at nothing, passing through masses of weed and mud in direct lines. Now, the force with which they bring up against a barrier is certainly the maximum of their strength; so I arranged a you ever did see, call at our store and we will show them to you. We challenge machine after the plan of one that I have seen to measure the velocity of shot, the latter striking a frame, and the force of the blow being recorded on a scale. For my partition I took what was evidently the eggshell or cover of some microscopic animal. I attached it by one end to a larger body, and the whole thing stood over a delicate scale that was cut on the glass slide, and as the animals rushed and pushed it around the scale."

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at the New Drug Store, Postomer, Eb. are some constituences to me and large insects." One was a long box, sanded on the bottom with glass sides. At the end was a small friction wheel, over which ran a silk thread. On one end was attached a tissue-paper receptacle for weights, and the other was tied in a slip noose. A large black ant was taken from a flask, the noose caught around his body, and, on being released, rushed away up the miniature street, hoisting the scales and three grains of corn with the greatest ease. A small red ant was then brought out, and, after showing evidence of a decidedly mulish disposition, it ran off, hoisting a very heavy pea. "An ant can carry a weight about seventy-five times its own," the naturalist said. If you had the muscle of one of these little creatures in proportion to your size you could lift about 11,000 pounds."-Baltimore Gazette.

> CELERY FOR RHEUMATISM.—It is asserted that rheumatism is impossible f celery is cooked and freely eaten. The fact that it is always put on the table raw prevents its therapeutic powers from oming known. The celery should be cut into bits, boiled in water until soft, and the water drank by the patient. Put new milk, with a little flour and nutmeg, into a saucepan with a little boiled celery, serve it warm with pieces of toast; eat it with potatoes, and the painful ailment will soon yield. Such is the declaration of a physician who has again and again tried the experiment, and was uniformly successful. He adds that cold or damp never produces, but simply develops the disease, of which acid blood is the primary and sustaining cause, and that while the blood is alkaline there can be neither rheumatism nor gout. English statistics show that in one year-1876-3,840 persons died of theumatism, and every case, it is claimed, might have been cured or prevented by adoption of the remedy mentioned. At least two-thirds of the cases named heart disease are ascribed to rheumatism and its agonizing ally, gout. Small-pox, so much dreaded, is not half so destruc tive as rheumatism, which, it is maintained by many physicians, can be prevented by obeying nature's laws in diet. But if you have incurred it, boiled celery is pronounced unhesitatingly to be a specific remedy.

> HOW TO MAKE COWS GIVE MILK .-A writer in the Southern Farmer says his cow gives all the milk that is wanted in a family of eight, and that from it, after taking all that is required for other purposes, 260 pounds of butter was made this year. This is in part his treatment of the cow: "If you desire to get a large yield of rich milk give your cows every day water slightly salted in which bran has been stirzed at the rate of one quart to two gallons of water. You will find, if you have not tried this daily practice, that your cow will give twenty cent, more milk immediately under the clear water unless very thirsty. But this mess she will drink almost any time, and ask for more. The amount of this drink necessary is an ordinary water pail

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Alteona, April 22, 1881.-W. VACCINE VIRUS.

WHERE IT COMES FROM AND HOW IT GATHERED.

A correspondent of the Cincinnati Enquirer gives the following account of the manner in which vaccine virus is produced at the Agricultural College at

Columbus, Ohio : Upon entering the shed I saw two or three professional looking men, one of them with his coat and hat off, and a surgical Instrument in his hand. Another gentleman, who appeared to be an assistant, was superintending the driving of a heiffer yearling cowalong side of a table, in which were several holes in either corner big enough to admit the entrance of a half inch rope.

This table was a queer sort of an arrangement. It was probably the usual length, perhaps less, of a common dinner table, but much larger than the average, and had the usual number of legs. But a closer scrutiny of the legs on one side showed me that they were hingeda sort of a knee being thus made. The ower part of these two legs could thus

be bent inwardly. By dint of coaxing and considerable pushing the bovine, a fine, healthy looking young cow, was driven alongside this table. When the men thought that the position of the animal with referto the table was about right, the hinges were bent and thus the table was placed by the cow's side, forming for the time one side of a stall.

Above the table, attached to the joists of the shed, were several ropes with pulleys. When all was ready two bands of leather, perhaps,) four inches in width, were adjusted around the belly of the bewildered but docile animal and the ends of these bands met beneath the pulley over the centre of the table. The animal thus stood like it was ready to be hoisted from the ground.

This was not the intention exactly This rope, it was seen, was fastened to to one side of the table, so that when a brawney-armed employee pulled on the rope the lower side of the table came and table moved at the same time, the latter losing all control of itself, and, much against its will, was iaid prone on the low level surface, like a subject ready for the dissecting knife. A man rushed to the animal's head and he'd it firmly down, while the four legs made ineffectual attempts to do mischief.

In vain. Deftly but firmly ropes were placed through the holes in the lower corners of the table, and afterward tightly tied around the legs just above the hoofs. No more kicking now with the feet. The limbs however, on the opposite side of the cow were still at liberty rendering it very unsafe to be in that

vicinity. In a moment or two these also were tied and pulleys were forced wide apart, giving the animal the appearance of a huge thing with slender wings.

Now, apparently everything was pre- GENERAL BANKING BUSINESS pared for the operation whatever it was, At this juncture I stepped up to a young man, whom I afterwards learned was Dr. Ervin Heyl, former City Physician of Columbus, and asked him what it all meant. Said he, "We are about to inoculate

this heiffer with Beaugency virus in order to get another supply of vaccine "Ah, ha! That's it, is it? Well,

we'll see how it is done."

The Doctor then took a razor and be der. This being accomplished in a few minutes, he next produced a sharp-pointdozen incisions upon the bare surface of This being done, the parts were thoroughly sponged dry, after which he took from a glass tube a small amount of queer-looking stuff, and applied it to Ebensburg, Pa. each incision made by the aid of a tiny piece of ivory, pointed at one end. This completed the job. It did not take long. and in a short time the cow was loosened from the cords, the pulleys were adjusted, and the animal was placed upright, or in her original position as easily as she had been pinioned. By and by she was driven into a stall, and her head fastened in such a way that she could not P get a chance to apply her tongue to the

part operated upon and when the itching "How long will it be, doctor, before it will 'take?' " "About seven days. At the end of that time we can get enough pure,

healthy virus to vaccinate thousands of persons ! "What is that stuff you put on the "It is what is known as Beangeney virus, from the fact that near the town of Beaugency, France, this matter is 'raised' under the supervision of the

French Government, and is imported into this country. The 'seed' which I am using was obtained fram Dr. Martin. of Boston Highlands, who got it direct from Beaugency. "What do you do after the seven days have clapsed?" "The cow is again trussed up, and then we dip these little points into the matter, a clear water fluid, which ex-

udes from the pores, and after drying

them thoroughly apply the virus to peo-

ple who come to be vaccinated to escape

valuable for fertilizers as they are for other purposes. We know of ne better absorbent than coal ashes, and we are surprised to see large, unsightly piles of such ashes lying around dwellings, when they might be profitably used in the privy vaults and for absorbing the sewage from the house. There is very little, if any, free alkali in them so that they never liberate ammonla, but rather absorb it, also absorbing other offensive smells. Coal ashes could also be used to advantage in the hog pen, but much of their value depends upon the temperature at which they are burned. Ashes from furnaces are frequently vitrified; that is, they are burned at such a high temperature that they are dissolved to a certain extent. When this is the case, they make excellent garden walks. Their mechanical effects upon the soil are excellent; they render stiff clayey soils more porous, and, strange as it may appear, they render a sandy soil more compact. We have frequently spread them

upon grass lands, and have been satis-

fied of their beneficial effects there; but

have not yet determined whether the

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effects in breaking the continuity of the

sod, or from the small amount of alkati

they contained .- Boston Jultivator.

GOATS AS SHEEP GUARDIANS .- The farmers of Hunterdon and Somerset counties, New Jersey, use goats to protect their sheep from dogs, and two are about all a farmer puts in with his sheep. As soon as a dog enters the field at night the goats attack him, and their butting propensities are too much for the canine, who soon finds himself rolling over and over. A few repetitions of this treatment causes the dog to quit the field, limping and yelling. Formerly, when a dog entered a sheep field at night, the sheep would run around wildly and cry iteously. Since the goats have been Parising used to guard them they form in line behind the goats, and seem to enjoy the fun. The idea of utilizing goats in this way came from the West, where they are put in the sheep pens to drive away wolves.

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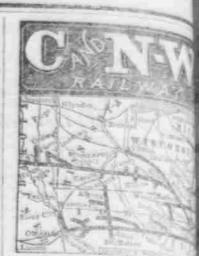


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