At sunset we see a band of stratus clouds in the west, seeming to rest upon the horizon. How far distant from the point of observation is the place where those clouds are directly overhead? A Stratus clouds ere varible in height. Generally low in winter and higher in summer. Their height may be from 800 to 5,000 feet. Clouds 800 feet may be seen on the horizon at 35 miles distant. At 2,000 feet high they may be seen 50 ar more miles, and at 3000 feet 60 miles.

What is the average height above the earth's surface of the approaching storm cloud, as we see it creeping up from the horizon before a thunder or rain storm? Of the cumulus? Of the cirrus? A. Thunderstorm clouds are very variable in height-500 to 3000 feet. The clouds in thunderstorms may be very deep, two or five miles or more. Hence the appearance as to distance is very deceptive. Cumulus clouds are intermediate, and generally occupy a position from 2000 to 5000 feet above the earth. Cirrus clouds are the highest, and are from 10,000 to 30,000 above the earth.

What rule may be given for finding the distance of clouds from the place of observations when their angular distance above the horizon and their approximate height above the earth's surface are known. A. Calculations for the distance and height of clouds are very uncertain, from the difficulty of obtaining correct observation; simultaneous trigonometrical triangulation from a known base, and computation, are the only method of determining the distance.

Halloween.

The amusements of this eve greatly vary in different localities, and among different people. In some sections, parties, where all the ladies, are dressed in calico or a kindred material, and their male attendants are arrayed in vests, coats and neckties of the same material, are the vogue. Frequently the young ladies send sufficient material, like their gowns, for the gentlemen's outfits, to the house of the person who gives the party. Then on an evening, a week previous to said party, all thegeotlemen invited, meet and select their materials. This they have made in coats, vests and neckties, without knowing to whom they are indebted. On Halloween, as each gent walks into the reception-room, he selects, for his partner, the young lady wearing the gown that matches his coat. Thus, according to tradition, he learns his fate in the lottery of matrimony. Another way is, for each lady, to make a necktie from material like the gown she is to wear. All these neckties are put in a box, in the gentlemen's dressing-room and each selects what to him, is the prettiest and most neatly made. He chooses, for his partner, the young lady with gown to match.

The menu of this feast embraces nuts apples doughnuts and cider, anc sometimes a simple domestic cake. The gentlemen of the party should, to carry out the "idea," crack all the nuts, and then act as waiters, passing the refreshments to the ladies. Noservants should appear on the scene.

Ir anything in this world makes a man feel badly, except pinching his fingers in the crack of a door, it is unquestionably a quarrel. No man ever fails to think less of himself than before. It degrades him in the eyes of others, and what is worse, blunts his sensibilities on one hand and increases the power of passionate irritability on the other. The truth is, the more peacefully and quiet we get along the better it is for our neighbors. In nine cases out of ten the better course is, if a man cheats you cease to deal with him, if he is abusive quit his company, and if he lies about you, so conduct yourself that nobody will believe him. No matter who he is, or how he missuses you, the wisest way is to let him alone; for there is nothing better than this cool, calm and quiet way of dealing with the wrong we meet with. "Return not railing for railing."

LIME may not show its beneficial effect on the soil for a year or two, as the character of the soil must be considered. Lime adds but very little valnable plant food to the soil, as all soils contain time but its chemical action on the inert mater of the soil liberates other substances that would not be otherwise available. It should be applied as regularly as manure in order to secure its assistance in decomposing the plant food already existing in the soil.

VARNISH made with alcohol will get dull and spongy by the evaporation of the alcohol, which leaves water in the varnish, as all commercial alcohol contains water. It is therefore advisable to take a thin sheet of galatine, cut it into strips and put it into the varnish ; it will absorb in the thin sheet most of the water, and the varnish can be used clear and bright till the last drop. The galatine will get quite soft ; it can then be taken out and dried, and used again.

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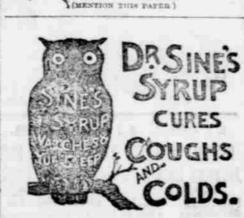
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Preparations for Winter Dairying.

The present is the time to begin preparations for making butter in winter. The first requisite is that the cows shall come during the months of September and October, and calculations must be made accordingly. The advantages of changing from the old systems of summer dairying to winter operations are so great that many of the most intelligent and progressive dairy farmers have adopted the latter method. They thus escape the daily and exacting labor of the dairy during the busy summer months, when the general operations of the farm demand the most attention. The cows go dry during the sultry days of midsummer, when the pastures are the most parched and scanty. There is no butter to be kept over through the hot season, when keeping it in good order is the most difficult and prices are the lowest. These and other advantages are greatly in favor of winter dairying, which has been made practicable by the modern improvements in deep sitting, preserving fodder in silos, centrifugal separating, etc. With this, as with other important changes, it is the first step that costs. The first step, as indicated above, is to hold the cows back so they will come in during September of next year. In the vicinity of a butter factory it is desirable that the majority of the patroos shall agree to make the change, that the factory may be kept running through the winter. Those who already have cows which will come in next fall, or can buy them, most see that good shelter is provided, with plenty of ensilage, means for taking the chill from the drinking water, etc. It is jidle to object to this system as "unnatural" for the cows. The dairy cow, as we have her today, is an artificial product anyway, which has been brought to her present state of development by a long course of breeding and care. It is only a step forward in the same direction to change her season of greatest milk flow from summer to winter.

How the Balloon was Invented.

Exercise is antagonism; at each step force is used to lift up our bodies and push back the earth; as the eminent Joseph Montgolfier said, that when be saw a company dancing, he mentally inverted his view and imagined the earth dancing on the dancer's feet which it most unquestionably did. Indeed, his great invention of balloons was guessed at by his witnessing a mild form of antagonism between heat and gravitation. He, being a dutiful husband, was airing his wife's dresses, who was going to a ball. He observed the hot air from the fire inflated the light materials, which rose up in a sort of spheriodial form (you may have some of you noticed this form in dress !). This gave him the idea of the fire-balloon, which, being a large papermarker at Annonay, he forthwith experimented on, and hence we got aeriai navigation. This anecdote was told me by his nephew, M. Seguin, also an eminent

Reading Aloud.

No one can serve others without doing good to himself. A good reader, for instance, gratifies others by reading aloud, and he also strengthens his own body. So wholesome is the practice of reading aloud, that medical authorities agree in pronouncing it a healthy and invigorating exercise for the mind and the body.

The late Sir Henry Holland, an eminent London physician, says in his 'Medical Notes" that persons who have a tendency to pulmonary disease should methodically practice "those OILS! OILS! actions of the body through which the chest is in part filled or emptied of air."

He advises that those whose chests are weak should read aloud at stated intervals, and even recite or sing, using due caution as to posture, articulation, and the avoidance of excess.

"These regular exercises of the voice," he adds, "may be rendered as salutary to the organs of respiration, as they are agreeable in their influence on the ordinary voice."

Soda in Toothache.

Dr. D. Duckworth contributes a short memorandum on this subject. He was called on to treat a case of very severe toothache, and tried various ordinary remedies, including chloroform and carbolle acid, without any benefit to the patient. He then remembered having read that that the pain might be relieved by holding in the mouth a solution of soda. He at once gave the patient half a drachm in an ounce of water, and, to his astonishment, the pain ceased immediately, and complete relief was secured. He thinks that as TIN, COPPER AND SHEET-IRON WAR the remedy is so simple, and the disease so distressing and often intractible, this treatment may be worthy of notice and imitation.

It is't any harder for a woman with a bustle on to sit down than it is for a man with a pint flask of cholera mixture in his coat tail pocket to do it. All he's got to do is to be a little careful, of course, and that's what a woman with a bustle on has to do. The secret of it is this; When a bustle decked woman sits down, she does so sidewise. There is a pretty little trick in it. She pretends she is going to sit on the right side of the chair and makes her first move in that direction, but just as she reaches the chair she moves gracefully to the other side, the bustle rolls to the right, entirely out of the way of the sitter, and the problem is solved. So

at least we are told. Goop temper is as an essential factor n success in almost any department of life. A superintendent who loses his temper in his school becomes himself at once the worst element of disorder and confusion which he is trying to reduce. And a teacher who grows cross when his class is disposed to be unruly has lost his last chance to control the turbulence.

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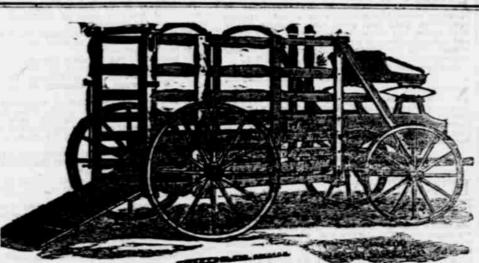
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The Danger of Being a Human Being

Heredity is a puzzle. It seems to be easier in this world to inherit bad quali ties than good ones, but both sorts make such leaps and jumps, and are so inclined to go off on collateral lines, that the succession is difficult to calculate. The race is linked together in a curious tangle, so that it is almost impossible to 6x the responsibility. Defects or vices or virtues will not always go in a straight line. The children off deaf mutes, for example, are not apt to be deaf mutes, but the cousins of those children may be deaf mutes, showing, it is said, that some remote ancestor of both had some mental or physical defect, which has been transmitted to his posterity, though not in the form in which he was afflicted. In most cases we cannot do anything about it : the older onr civilization becomes the more complicated and intrieste are our relations, so that it has already become a dangerous business to be a human being at all. It is not always certain that if a man eats sour grapes his children's teeth will be set on edge, but the effect of the sour-grape diet may skip a generation or two, or appear in a collateral line. We try to study this problem in our asylums and prisons, and we get a great many interesting facts, but they are too conflicting to guide legislation. The difficulty is to relieve a person of responsibility for the sins of his ancestors without relieving him of responsibility for his own sins.

Easily Tamed.

On account of its timidity and the great ease with which it can be tamed, the cobra is the only snake with which the enake charmers of India will have anything to do. By attracting its attention with one hand, it may be easily seized round the body with the other and so long as the hand or any other object is kept moving before its eyes, it will never turn to bite the hand that bolds it. This is the simple fact, the knowledge of which the charmers turn to such advantage in their s. ell-known performances. The snake is taken from its basket, and a slight stroke across the back brings it at once into a defensive attidude. The constant motion of the musical instrument before the snake keeps it watchful and erect, and not the music produced. As a matter of fact, snakes have no external ears, and it is extremely doubtful whether the cobra bears the music at all. The charmers say that the adder of the East, the Daboia, has no ear for music, because they cannot operate on it as they do on the cobra. It is rather interesting to note that this has been the belief since David's time at least-"Like the deaf adder that stoppeth her ear; which will not hearken to the voice of charmers."

Wise Words. A precedent embalms a principle. Be careful. A light heart lives long. Life is a reckoning we cannot make

wice over. Impulse can do wonders where preparation fails.

The most profound joy has more of gravity than gaiety in it.

There is no courage but in innocence, no constancy but in an honest cause. Act well at the moment, and you have performed a good action to all

The true use of speech is not so much to express our wants as to conceal

The man who has never known adversity is but half acquainted with himself.

Wickedness may prosper for a while but, in the run, he who sets all knaves at work will pay them. All that we possess of truth and wis-

dom is borrowed good. You will be

always poor if you do not possess the only true riches. A man of strong character always makes enemies, but because a man has many enemies you cannot be quite sure

that he is a man of strong character. How Diphtheria May be Spread.

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To Husband and Wife.

Preserve sacredly the privacies of your own house, your married state and your heart. Let no father, mother or brother ever presume to come between you, or share the joys or sorrows that belong to you two alone. With mutual help build your quiet world, not allowing your dearest earthly friend to be the confident of aught that concerns your domestic peace. Let moments of alienation' as they occur, be healed at once. Never, no never, speak of it outside. but to each other confess, and all will come right. Never let the morrow's sun find you at a variance. Renew and and re-renew your vow; it will do you good, and thereby your minds grow together, contented in that love, which becomes truly one.

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Food for Thught

Sin is the only thing which God and almost the only thing m Fill thy heart with goodney thon will find that the world is

it is the drifting iceberg settleany current anywhere that wire ships.

Talking much is a sign of van he that is lavish in words is him deed. No man ought to complain

world measures him as he m Better is little, provided it is

own, than an abundance of ber capital. Fear of sickness is the first . the doctor; the rest is only a que of time.

Revenge, that thirsty droper of sou's, makes us covet that which us most. Receive the gifts of fortune at pride,, and part with them with

fuctance.

Truth should be the first lesson w child and the last aspiration to The manner of giving shows character of the giver more the

gift itself. An affected man proclaims be deficiencies, telts what he denne Many a man who prides himse

being self-made is simply a profe his good wife. The pungency of pleasure is at to ient as the foam that mantles rom brimming cup. Ladies of fashion starve their ness to feed their vanity, and then

to feed their pride. There is something brighter to born name, there is a born soul as sire of nobleness. It is one thing for a dealer to stand customers, and another i

understand matters. I've never any pity for conpeople because I think they can comfort about with them. Thrift is the result of self-denia has to be taught early in life. Habit is the deepest law of !

nature. It is our supreme stren our most miserable weakness. A man who is naturally a govern conduct himself in such a man he may be considered a chump. When I spy a fault in another, determined to look for two in misand they will not be far to seek.

If I can put some touches of a m sunset into the life of any man or man, then I feel that I have we with God. When you have nothing to say nothing. A weak defence streng

your opponent, and silence is les jurious than a weak reply. A nobleness and elevation of a together with firmness of countil gives luster and dignity to the say

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