THEY sat side by side on the car talking politics, and presently the man in the white plug hat inquired: "Colonel, whom do you consider the

greatest living orator?" The colonel coughed, stroked his chin whiskers and made no reply. At the end of the block he got off without a word, and a passenger on the opposite seat leaned forward and said to the white hat man: "That's a pretty blunder you made!

Why, he's the very man himself!" "Is that so!" gasped the other, and he ran to the platform to watch him out of sight.

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stuff has been selling in Philadelphia right along at \$1,50 a yard." "Indeed!" "Yes, sir. What did you mean by saying the former price was \$5?"

"But it was." "When?" "During the war."

New Girl-"Oh! Missus, there's something the matter with the milk." Mistress-"Mercy me! What is it? New Girl—"A yellow scum has gathered on top of it. I'm 'feared it's spoiled."

Mistress-"Where were you brought up?" New Girl-"In New Yorrick." Mistress-"1 thought so,"

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the eve of a great panic," said the man on the soap-box at the grocery store. "I have never known such universal distrust in financial circles as there is now, and unless there is an early return of public confidence I shall not be surprised at a general crash. Why, a man that I have known all my your neck." life refused to trust me for a 15-cent string of fish this morning, and they weren't yery fresh fish either. I don't see how moneyed men can help feeling cough in morning, or on first lying year uneasy in the midst of such a down at night, should be looked to in time. very uneasy in the midst of such a state of affairs. I think I'll draw my money out of the bank and invest it in

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who was a trifle out of humor. "I believe in it though. Friday you will remember was the day I was foolish enough to ask you to marry me."

"Ah, yes," Mrs. Minks responded. "so it was, and I was foolish enough to accept you. Yes, Friday is an unlucky

Scornful young ladies who in the funny columns of the newspapers during the past one hundred years have promised their sweethearts that they would marry them when the Washington monument should be finished are beginning to look around now for some convenient loophole of escape.

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Bright Student-"A locomotive for running on ordinary wagon roads," Professor -- "Correct. Why is it called a traction engine?"

Bright Student-"It is called a track-

shun eugine because it shuns tracks." Thin People.

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the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

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"Is your wife aquainted with the dead languages?" asked the professor of a Newman man. "Maybe she is," was the reply, "but the language she uses is entirely too warm to have been

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"Don't give it away, please, Mildred," said Amy to the high-shool girl, atter reciting an escapade in which she had been engaged. "No," replied Mildred, "I'll make

no gratuitous presentation of it."

RECENTLY the representative of a pretty well stocked up?" he inquired.

"Business's flatter nor a flounder," was the reply. "Grant and Ward and the rest of the Wall street thieves have knocked things higher nor Gilderoy's kite. Let my stock run down to almost nothing. Ain't got \$500 worth of goods in the store."

"Ah, indeed," exclaimed the visitor. "I see by my memorandum that you are insured on stock in my company for \$10,000. Shall have to cancel the policy for fraud."

"Oh, well," stammered the merchant. that makes a difference; that puts a new face on matters. I took you for the tax assessor. But the fact is, I got in an invoice of \$8,000 of new goods this morning and actually have in store at this moment \$12,000 worth of goods. Won't you step over to the Transit House with me a moment and

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STRANGER-"There is a place called Billingsgate in this city, ain't there?" Londoner-"Oh, yes; any cabby will take you there.'

"Can you hear 'em talk?" "Hear who?" "The fishmongers, and the rest of

'Of course." "Are they very sensitive?"

"In what way?" "Would they object to seeing me taking motes?"

"I do not catch your meaning. Taking notes of what?" 'Why, of the expressions they use." "Well, I declare! What do you want

to takes notes for?" "Well, you see I am a Chicago editer, and want to prime up for the Presidential campaign."

HOTEL CLERK-"I had such a scare last night. Just after I got into my room I heard my diamond stud fall on the floor. The gas was not lit: I had no matches in my pocket, "It is my opinion that we are on and the match-box was at the other end of the room. You can imagine how afraid I was to move." Guest-"Indeed I can; but I am

glad to see you escaped." Hotel Clerk-"I escaped?" Guest-"Yes; if you had stumbled over that stud you might have broken

Loss of Flesh and Strength,

with poor appetite, and perhaps slight Persons afflicted with consumption roverbially unconscious of their real state. Most cases commence with disordered liver, leading to bad digestion and imperfect assimilation of food-hence the emaciation, or wasting of the flesh. It is a form of scrofulous disease, and is curable by the use of that greatest of all blood-cleansing, anti-bilious and invigorating compounds, known as Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery.'

A young man who held a loaded pistol to his head and threatened to blow his brains out, unless the girl who had refused him would consent to have

"Been having your boots half-soled?" asked Tom. "Well yes," said Ben, who was looking a little seedy; "but they're not half s'old as my hat." And it was three o'clock the next afternoon before Tom understood just what he meant by it.

A JERSEY man was once thrown one hundred and fifty feet by an express train, when he picked himself up, looked around for his hat, and remarked, "Well, if I don't find that hat. I'll make the company pay for it."

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A DOCTOR went out for a day s hunting, and on coming home complained that he hadn't killed anything. "That's because you didn't attend to your legitimate business," said his wife,

"WILL your mother ever marry again?" he inquired. "Not with my approval," she answered; "such is my opinion thus far, and not a step-father.

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"ARE you satisfied with the arrivals?" asked Mr. Mosquito of his wife, as they sat in the window of a country summer resort. "Oh, yes," she sweetly sung as she fixed her eyes on a two-hundredand-fifty pound gentleman, "I suppose they'll fill the bill,"

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"WILL you please tell me, Mr. Occult," asked his favorite niece, "why Masons wear a pin with a 'G' in it?" "Certainly, my dear," replied Occult; 'it is the same with men as with horses; a 'G' directs them to the right.'

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NATIVE-"Well, how do you like our town?" Stranger-"Very nice place. Just consider that there are twenty-two trains on which you can leave it daily."

FIX UP THE FARM. -If the farmer fire insurance company, with a large improves his farm he improves his finanbook under his arm, called in at the cial condition. The more valuable he store of a prominent merchant at the makes it, the more his capital is increa-Stock Yards: "How's business; are you sed, the larger will be his returns, and when he dies the larger will be the patrimony he leaves to his family. Fix up the old home, then. Clean out the fence corners. Destroy the noxious weeds. Grub out the hazel and thistle. Burn out the stumps. Clean off the logs and stones. Make a paradise on earth of your farm, for are you not to live on it while you remain on earth and will not your family live on it while you lie in yonder graveyard? Plant out young orchards so that your family may enjoy the good fruit that you have the foresight and energy to provide for

> A WELL-INFORMED dairyman estimates that fully 90 per cent. of the cows of the country drop their calves between the first of Febuary and the last of May. This leaves the supply of good butter quite limited during the winter, with prices correspondinly high. Winter dairying, which is so rapidly becoming the habit of our larger dairymen, will do much to remedy this. But there is more than better markets or higher prices to commend this system. One strong argument in its favor is the leisure the farmer has to devote to dairying during the winter. This system equalizes his year's labors, the summer being given to crops, the winter to his stock and dairy.

The rose bugs are apt to be very annoying at some seasons. The best remedy is to shake them off into a pail of water. The loose slug is often very injurious to the leves, completely skeletonizing them. All kinds of rapid remedies have been proposed, whale oil, soap, petroleum, ect., but the best thing of all is to set a boy to crush them by finger and thumb. It is astonishing how rapidely they are destroyed by this process. This is true of most of the larger insects. Hand picking or crushing is by far the best remedy. Peg down roses where a heavy mass of flowers is desired. The side shoots push more freely for this treatment. Roses may be propagated by laverin as well as other plants.

PROF. SANBORN has made some experiments in feeding grain to stock at pasture which indicate that even with milch cows the grain does not pay for the increased expense. There is a decided difference in the value of pasture at different times, even in the same season. Perhaps with rich grass in June feeding extra may not be profitable. But early in the season, when grass is watery, and later, when pastures are dried up, we are very confident that extra feeding is plate. the better policy.

That tools to cut grain or grass should be kept well sharpened is pretty generally understood. But there is equal advantage in keeping a good edge en hoes, cultivators and other implements working the soil itself, "As dull as a hoe," has passed into a by-word indicating obtuseness, but with good farmers the hoe is not dull. Do not put last year's cultivator into the corn or potatoes without examining the teeth. If much worn either get new ones or send the old to the blacksmith to be made as good as new.

Neven use manure from the stable on lawns, as the seeds of weeds are thus scattered, which germinate, grow up and disfigure the lawn. A fertilizer made of 200 pounds of sulphate of potash, 100 pounds superphosphate and 100 pounds of sulphate of ammonia will him, was cooly told by the young be found excellent. The quality is suf-lady he would have to blow some ficient for an acre, and should be applied brains into his head first. He didn't in October and April, half the amount being used at an application.

> Ir there is a wooden floor to the hogpen, no matter how high it is made, there will every year be a considerable amount of valuable manure find its way through. Even the earth under the floor, to the depth of six or eight inches, will make a good fertilizer. A hogpen floor should be laid with the purpose of taking up every second year, and it will generally need it if made of soft

One of the worst weeds in the newlyseeded meadows is the white daisy. It is especially abundant on fields, where spread over them the minced ham and young clover has been pastured after serve. the grain with which it was sown has been but. Cattle will eat the white daisy when made into hay only when starved to it, so that enough is lost by depreciated condition of stock to offset whatever nutriment it may contain,

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Don't Overdo IT .- Mr. Labouchere, who has dined in languages enough to entitle him to be heard with respect, does not believe that gastronomic enoyment is to be obtained at a French banquet. As one reason for this, he says that servants hurry you too much through the courses, of which there are far too many. This is a fault by no means confined to France or to banquets; it is rampant at many a private dinner table in New York, Therefore would we bid our hostess have a well marked sufficiency of dishes, but not so great a variety as to confuse the palate and overload the stomach. With a superabundance of cheer on the table that which is around it becomes unavailable

A GOOD CUSTARD. -A dainty custard for tea or to be served with puddings is made of two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch to one quart of milk, three eggs, and sugar and flavoring to suit your taste. Beat the whites of the eggs separately and to a stiff froth. Cook the custard by placing the basin in which you mix it in another pan of boiling water; when it has thickened take it from the fire, and beat in the whites of the eggs. This is the time to add the flavoring extract also. The egg is sufficiently cooked if rapidly beaten into the hot custard, and the custard is rendered almost as light as whipped cream, and it may be heaped in glasses, or be put into one large glass dish.

The banana has come to be almost a necessity in thousands of Northern families to whom it was unknown a few years ago. They are fried and served as an entree; pies are made of them, with a delicate upper and under crust with plenty of sugar and a suggestion of spice, but when sliced thin and mixed with chopped pineapple or with chopped oranges they are simply delicious. At breakfast they are served by removing the skin, cutting the bananas in two pieces, cross-wise, and piling them on a pretty china or fancy

One of the necessities and luxuries also of the toilet table is a bottle of water in which you put as much powdered borax as will dissolve; keep putting it in until it begins to fall to the bottom and remains there. When you take your bath, or simply wash your face and hands, pour a little of this into the washbowl; it softens the water and removes soil without making the skin rough. It is good to use also when you wash the children's hair, as much soap is universally condemned for that purpose. When you feel that cleanliness demands soap a little pure Castile soap is recommended.

HOME-MADE DROP CAKES .- 1 coffeecupful of granulated sugar, 2 teaspoonfuls of baking powder, 2 ounces of butter, 2 ounces of lard, 1 egg, 1 coffee-cupful of milk, 2 cupfuls of flour, flavoring to taste. Mix the sugar, baking powder and shortening (butter and lard) and flavoring well together: then add the egg, well beaten, and the milk. Thicken with the flour and drop on tins. Have the oven of your Florence brisk, put in your cakes and bake. Ten minutes should suffice.

MINCED HAM, -Cut up a pound of cold boiled ham very fine and season it with a little cayenne pepper and powdered mace. Put this, together with a gill of good cream and a half a pint of veal stock, into a saucepan and set it on the fire where the contents may become hot but not boil. Now have some slices of Fleischmann's Vienna bread, nicely toasted and buttered. Place these upon a hot dish,

Essence of Ham. - Take a ham bone, remove all the remaining meat from it, and break it up in small pieces. Pound the meat in a mortar, and put it into a saucepan with the pieces of broken bone, adding a little thyme and parsley, eight or ten peppercorns and a pint and a half of stock made of the bouillon du bœuf. Set the saucepan on the side of the fire, where the contents may simmer very gently until all the flavor is brought out, which may take from two to three hours. Then strain and bottle for use.

GRAHAM griddle cakes are nice for breakfast on a cool summer morning. Use equal parts of graham and of corn meal, nfix with sour milk, and use half a teaspoonful of soda to a scant cup of milk, add salt to your taste, and a little sugar, as that will make them nice and brown. If eggs are plenty one or two are a great addition. These cakes should be fried more slowly than buckwheat cakes.

BAKED BERRY ROLLS, -Make a biscuit dough according to the above recipe, roll it thin and cut it in squares of five or six inches. Spread over with berries or other fruit; double the crust over and fasten the edges together. Put the rolls into a dripping-pan close together until full, then put into the pan a little water, sugar and butter. Bake and serve with any desired pudding sauce.

ESSENCE OF MUSHROOMS, FOR FLAV-ORING AND GRAVIES.-Chop up the mushrooms and put them into a saucepan with a little lemon juice and a small piece of butter. Set the saucepan where the contents may simmer gently for two or three minutes, and then add a pint of white broth. Now let all boil gently for ten minutes more, then press through a sieve and set away for use.

First old gentleman-"Who is that handsome young man standing there?" Second ditto-"That is my daughter's husband; very brilliant young man-he made a fortune through the law." First o. g.—"Indeed!" Second o. g.— "Yes; the law made me his father."

"What a blessing it is" said Pat, slightly muddled, "that night niver comes on till late in the day, when a man is all toired out, and he couldn't ite shade of gray. These bands were work no more anyhow, even if it was morning."

> Bombay Toast,-Melt a piece of butter about an inch square, stir into it two eggs, cayenne pepper to taste, add a few drops of anchovy sauce; spread the mixture on pieces of buttered toast, all cut to the same shape, and serve hot,

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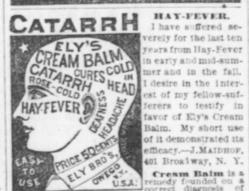
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