LAMBS FOR THE EARLY SPRING MARKET .- The underground basement of a barn, if dry, furnishes proper quarters for raising winter lambs. It should be well lighted and lined inside with sheathing paper. Double walls filled in will not answer, for rats make havoc of the filling. The space should be divided into pens about 18x16 feet. with an alley through the center. Each pen will accommodate 15 ewes. A rack for fodder is placed in the center so that the sheep can go all around it. Feed troughs are fastened to its base on both sides in such a manner as to catch the leaves that fall off the fodder. The ewes are given clover, hay and corn fodder, all they will eat. Their grain ration is whole corn, oil meal and wheat bran, mixed equally by weight. of which each ewe will consume about two quarts a day. In addition they are fed all the beets and turnips they will eat. The sheep will generate too much heat and the temperature is kept at about 56° by air shafts containing check-valves. Salt is kept constantly before them and water in pails. The gates are made so high from the floor that the lambs can escape into the alley, where there are feed troughs always supplied with the same grain ration.

The ewes are placed in the pens about December 1st, and are shorn immediately or the wool would soon commence to drop; besides, this rids them of annoying ticks. When lambs with his flock all the time he is not eatwith the glutinous colt ostrum should and then be wiped dry. It should be He must pet his sheep and lambs, and Dogs, children and loud talking adults very few strangers. The commission signed will tell when and how to kill and dress lambs. This is high feeding, but it is nearly paid for in the superior condition the ewes are in for the butcher in early spring when mutton is scarce. For the best results these go to the shambles as soon as dry, and a new tlock is gathered for the next year.

THE VALUE OF A PEDIGREE. -The needs improvement, must be himself excellent progenitors stretch the stronger reason we have for confidence that it, good results will follow his introduction. The lines may so stretch back without a break in the inheritance of excellence although we may not have the means the descent and the blood may be right, stock, if possible, and take pains to utes will suffice: preserve records of descent for our own information and the information of those who may succeed us. I hold that thing to be desired, accompanying merit granted.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Maine Farmer takes great pains to give his cattle all the open air exercise they require throughout the winter on warm sunny days. Sunlight and exercise are two of the greatest factors in promoting health. Shut up human beings in a cotton, oil cloth or shoe factory, month after month, carrying them their food and allowing them no exercise at all, and how long before consumption will seize upon them? It is silly to think that cotton seed meal or any other highly concentrated food will originate tuberculosis or pleuro-pneu-

A MONTANA sheep breeder offers to rent ewes at fifty cents a year, the man taking them to have the wool and increase, but bound to return the full number at the end of the specified time. As the sheep are worth perhaps \$2.50 each, the capitalist makes twenty per cent. for his money and risk. This seems large, but in the Territories farmers often pay higher rates than this. Two per cent. a month is a frequent price for the use of money there. This is twenty-four per cent. a year, and as it is often compounded several times in twelve months, it amounts to considerably more than this.

CLAUS SPRECKELS, the "ex-sugarking" of the Sandwich Islands, who is now giving his attention to the encouragement of beet-sugar culture in the farmers.

fact that a sheep must be fat to make the grate of a quick oven half an hour. the best mutton, but few conceive the the idea that a properly and well fed sheep produces more and better wool than one poorly fed and cared for. Wool is a product from feeding, just the same as fat or flesh, and the flock quality.

ACCORDING to Professor John Wil- send to the table very hot. on, of the University of Edinburgh, than whom there is no higher authority, the Spropshires originated in the mixture of the blood of the Morfe Common sheep, the Southdowns, Leicesters and Cotswolds. Each of these had some special excellence to contribute. The the Southdowns quality of flesh, the Leicesters symmetry of form, and the Cotswolds size.

THE disposition of swine is to pile up in cold weather, and the warmer we can keep it underneath them the less liable they are to do this, and unless they can be prevented from doing it to a great extent disease is much more and pour it into molds. Serve with lfable to break out among them

HOUSEHOLD

ROAST GOOSE. - Draw clean, and singe the goose the same as a chicken. Wipe it inside and out with a damp towel. Fill with potato or onion stuffing. Sew it up and truss, being careful not to fill it too full, as dressing always swells while cooking. Place it in a him." baking pan, put a cup of water and a teaspoonful of salt in the pan, and place in a quick oven. Roast twentyfive minutes to every pound, basting every ten minutes; after the goose has been roasting one hour, cool the even, and roast the remainder of the time at a moderate heat. Serve with giblet sauce made the same as for roast chick-

CREAM CAKE PIE:-Beat the yolks of two eggs, one and a half cups of sugar, and three ounces of butter together until light, then add one cup (a half pint) of lukewarm water, mix and add two and a half cups of flour. Beat until very smooth, then add the well pan in a moderate oven for about forty-five minutes. When cold, split into two layers and nour between the split into beaten whites of the two eggs and two around them a soft custard, flavored with vanilla,

pitcher or can in which the milk is to not felt well during the winter, if you have been begin to drop the shepherd should be the boiling water, and without wiping it pour into it the milk. Then set the ing or sleeping. Youg lambs daubed pitcher back in the boiling water. Remove and cover the pitcher with a have it removed with warm soap-suds, layer of absorbent cotton and boil for five minutes. The boiling water dethe shepherd's aim not to !ose one lamb. stroys the germs on the sides of the Hood's Sarsaparilla. I have used it in the spring get them so they have no fear of him. other germs from settling in the milk gained in fiesh and strength after using one botand causing fermentation. Pour out should not be allowed in the fold, and milk as it is needed, disturbing as little as possible the cotton covering. merchant to whom the lambs are con- Milk for invalids and babies can thus be kept sweet for many hours.

LEMON CREAMS, - Dissolve two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch in a little water, add the juice and grated rind of one lemon, and one cup of sugar, on this pour two and a half cups of hot water, add the beaten yolks of three eggs, set on the stove and cook slowly, male animal, nam or bull, or male of stirring till it thickens like custard, whatever other class of farm stock remove from the fire, and stir in the remove from the fire, and stir in the whites of the eggs beaten stiff, put in good, from good parent, and the a dish and set away to get cold. It is further back the continuous lines of nice for dessert with cake, and can be a dish and set away to get cold. It is made the day before you want to use ducement?"

LEMON PUFFS .- Powder and sift a is published in the interest of the Origpound and a quarter of loaf sugar inal Philadelphia Woman's Exchange and mix it with the grated rind of two now in its 4th year, No. 19 south 13th of blood tracing them-in other words, fresh lemons. Then whisk the whites street, 2nd floor front. This Exchange of three eggs to a stiff froth and add is open to all, and was originated and is yet unrecorded. Our knowledge can gradually to it the mixture of sugar supported by your most humble sernot make any difference in the power and grated lemon, Whisk all thorough | vant, Subscription to the Woman's or lack of power. Still, knowledge of ly together until it becomes a thick Journal \$1.00 per year. Sample copy prayers at your house?" the particulars of descent is worth paste. Then cut it into pieces of the mailed free to any address. having. It may prove very useful desired shape, handling the paste as sometimes. Let us then, by all means, little as possible. Place the pieces upon place the true value upon that knowl- oiled white paper, and bake on tins in edge, and have the pedigrees of our a moderate oven. Eight to ten min-

LOBSTER SALAD.-Take one ben lobster well boiled, two heads of lettuce pedigree the longer the better, is a located the seasonable substitute), two slices of beet root, a small cucumber sliced, two eggs, salt and ayenne pepper moderately, then add the meat of the lobster carefully picked, reserving some of the meat for garnishing. You can ornament the dish either with sliced egg, leaves of lettuce or slices of beet, or with all combined if you have of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." the time and taste.

> SPONGE CARE. - One heaping cup of beaten with the sugar until light, then add a half cup of water and a table- by druggists. spoonful of essence of lemon, a heaping cup of sifted flour with a teaspoonful and a half of baking powder mixed with the flour; the beaten whites of the eggs add last. This makes a very n ce layer cake by putting either cocoanut, chocolate or jelly between.

CURRIED LOBSTERS. - Place in a stewpan four ounces of butter and melt it. Then throw in the lobster, cut up. with a tablespoonful of curry powder. Let it simmer for one minute, stirring so as to prevent it burning. Squeeze a lemon on it, and serve on a warm dish.

BREAD PUDDING .- One pint of milk two eggs, one cup bread crumbs, one tablespoon of melted butter. Seak the bread crumbs in the milk, add yolks of the two eggs well beaten, then butter, and lastly the whites well whipped. Bake about the same as you would a custard and eat with sauce.

OATMEAL MUSH ROLLS .- Take cold Northern California, says that the beet- oatmeal mush, and work lightly into it sugar industry can be established in enough Graham flour to mold it into almost every State in the Union, and rolls. Do not overwork it, as too much that it will give a net profit of from kneading spoils the effect. Roll out fifty to seventy-five dollars an acre to the dough with the hands on the molding board into a long roll, about an inch and a half in dlameter, cut off Most every farmer is aware of the pieces three inches long, and bake on Serve warm or cold.

MUTTON STEAKS, FRIED. - Make a batter of grated bread crumbs, milk and one egg. Put it into a shallow dish. Have some mutton steaks cut should be fed and managed with a from the loin, with the bone cut short. view to wool growth, and that of fine Have ready in a frying pan hot butter or dripping. Dip each steak twice in the batter, then fry them brown and

THE secret of frying small fish crisp and brown, without either egg or bread crumbs, is to fry it well, flour both sides (do not be niggardly with the Indian meal), and plunge it into plenty of boiling fat. Be sure the fat is boiling, Morfe Commons had good constitutions and plenty of it, as upon that depends the crispness and brownness of the fish.

> TAPIOCA JELLY .- One half pint of tapioca, one quart of water, the juice and grated rind of a lemon. Soak the tapioca over night in water, sweeten and boil it for an hour in a farena kettle. When nearly done stir in the lemon cream sweetened.

FINANCIAL ITEM .- "What has become of the cashler of the National Bank?" asks Jones, who has just re-turned after a brief absence.

Smith-Gone straight to Canada. "Gone straight to Canada, has he? Well, do you know I always suspected that there was something crooked about

THE colored servant in the South 18 occasionally good at repartee. Mrs. Yerger found her servant, Belindy, reposing in the rocking chair reading a newspaper. "You seem to think you are the lady of the house," said Mrs. Yerger, sarcastically. "No, mum, I's brack, but I's no

THEY were at the theater and she had thoughtlessly eaten at dinner some soup with the flavor of onion in it. 'Oh, Mr. Howlingswell," she said adroitly, putting a morsel of perfumed lace and cambric to her face, "do you notice that some one near us has had

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"You know you couldn't afford it!"

A STRAY LAMB -A bright little fellow in a neighboring city was visiting his grandparents, very religious and devout people. The family pray ers were thresome to the young visitor and he showed his impatience every evening. Finally, at the close of the exercises one evening, he said to his grandmother:

"I wish I dien't have to stay to hear grandpa every night." "Why?" said the grandmother in surprise. "Don't you have family

"Yes," replied the young American, "father does after I go to bed, but he doesn't bother us children with them.'

ILLUSTRATING IT. Willie Popinjay -Sis, what is meant by "unconscious humor?" Angelina Popinjay-I can't give you an exact definition of it, Willie, but I

can give you an example. "Well, give us an example." "When pa came into the room where ma was trying to nail up that bracket yesterday, and said: 'Well, what are you driving at now?" "

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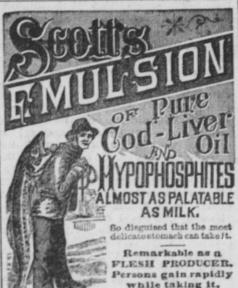
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