ROBBERY AMONG BEES. - Of all particular. A colony that becomes in part upon one's tastes, and in part queenless, without the necessary brood upon one's means. to rear another queen, seldom escapes being robbed if left long in such condition. Again, a colony may have a defective queen, and on the colony becom- ers in general can least afford. Such ing discouraged will allow themselves to things except in the most simple form, be plundered and destroyed. In such are better left for the wealthy, who can cases, they are the worst of any the pay for the necessary service. Still colony having a good, fertile queen may be so weak or few in number that they cases the apiarist can strengthen them | called to them. At present we will by uniting with other colonies, or draw only refer to "dishing up." from others to add to their force, and thus save them. Keep colonies strong fertile queens. Carelessly leaving honey about where bees can get access deal with. The colony being robbed you have a work of art. should be allowed to remain where it is, Changing it from one position to another in the same vicinity does more injury than good; it should be removed a mile or more from the neighborhood. If the bees show any disposition to proby simply contracting the entrance. apiarist to work inside. Light muslin | te manifest at once. or musquito netting, drawn over a

occupied for a length of time by fowls, and it is a good plan to utilize such yards for the production of vegetables. The yards must, of course, be spaded up before seed can be sown, and this turns under all filth and makes the ground clean and free from germs of disease. It is much better to grow something on the ground than to simply turn the manure under, as the roots of the growing plants exert a beneficial influence in appropriating the manure for plant food. The amount of manure dropped in the poultry yard in the course of a year is very large-much form some estimate of the amount dropped during the day by comparing it with that collected from the roosts. The smaller the yard and the larger the ated with the soil. Nor is the manure Every cunce of food wasted is to take advantage of this valuable manure, make a new yard by the side of the old one, plow up or spade the old one. They will be benefitted by the change to a clean location, you will have fewer diseases to contend with, while the yard recently occupied by the hens will produce vegetables of large size and the best quality.

POULTRY YARDS AS GARDENS. -

PLANT PROTECTORS .- Many plant protectors have been patented, but the tion of Joseph Harris, Moreton Farm, Rochester, N. Y. It is not patented and any one can make it. It consists of two half-inch boards for end pieces. To the sides and top of these boards cotton cloth is tacked on. and the boards are kept apart by a piece of lath. When stretched out for use they make a clothcovered box 15 inches square and 10 inches high, and are exceedingly useful in the garden for protecting tender plants from frost, such as tomatoes, melons, bedding plants, etc. They are also of great value for keeping the squash bugs, striped bugs and other insects from squashes, cucumbers, etc. When not in use, by removing the stretcher they can be folded up flat, and can be stored away in a small

IT is a great mistake to suppose that cows which get a bite of fresh grass early will not eat hay. The dry feed is necessary so long as they will eat it. Young tender grass is full of water, and has too little nutrition. It scours cows fed on it exclusively, and not only lessens the milk yield, but causes the cows to grow thin. Feed something dry, if it is nothing better than straw, and supplement its deficiencies by grain | two hours' steady cooking to make it or oil meal.

THE yellow disease has been found on peach branches grown on plum stocks. This is claimed to prove conclusively that this mysterious disease does not first attack the root. Its origin is probably in a fungus growth attacking leaves and branches.

An old sow that has shown herself a good mother should be preferred to one that is younger. The practice of using young sows is sure to end in degeneracy of stock sooner or later. To avoid liability from the weight of old sows, which sometimes crush their pigs, reduce them in flesh. As a rule most brood-sows are too fat, in which case the pigs come weak. Clover, with bran alop at night, is the best food for a prood-sow in summer.

a writer, using two thicknesses of board, with half lap to cover cracks, and paper between, the whole painted with coal tar, or asphalt put on boiling hot, consider that they have solved the question of cheap, durable silos, as the lumber used need not be better than No. 1 culls, and not even planed or matched. The thick paint fills all cracks, makes a smooth, glassy surface, and is water-proff as well as air-resisting, if paper is undergarment, and should never be that is, use the cultivator and stir the p' t on Letween the boards,

HOUSEHOLD.

THE TABLE-ORDER AND ORNA things connected with the apiary, robbing is the most perplexing, and often table affects our enjoyment of the food, very disastrous. The primary cause is no one will deny. Were this not the carelessness on the part of the apiarist. case, tablecloths might be dispensed A colony of bees in proper condition is with, and it would be a matter of indifproof against robbers, and colonies that ference whether our plates were of tin fall victims to robbers will nearly al-ways be found to be defective in some the appearance of the table will depend

Ornamentation to a certain extent is also pleasing, but this generally takes time-just the thing which housekeepapiarist is certainly responsible, as it is there are many things pertaining to neatness that take scarcely any time in housekeeper who is her own cook and so that when they are needed next autheir execution, and which even the are unable to repel robbers. In such waiter, can observe, if her attention is

So simple an article as mashed potatoes is capable of looking its best. A at all times and furnished with good, shapeless, pudding mass, such as is often dumped into a dish, is far from being attractive in appearance. Smooth to it often causes trouble, as this will incite robbing, and the weak and defective robbing, and the weak and defective robbing actually rounded surface, and the whole look of fective colonies will at once fall victims. the dish is changed. Set the dish in a Where robbing begins it is difficult to quick oven, to brown the surface, and

Nothing is more distressing than to see a roasted fowl come to the table "flying" with outspread wings, and legs looking as if the bird had kicked before the fire. A turning of the wings and a bit of string around the legs would have tect themselves, robbing may be checked | converted the ridiculous looking object into a respectably dressed fowl. Even so simple a thing as mutton chops may whatever, a large sheet or covering of be neatly served or otherwise. Let one light cloth may be thrown over the en- compare a dish of chops thrown into tire hive. The bee tent, now much the plate "higgledy-piggledy," with used by apiarists to repel robbers, is the one in which the small ends are all laid best for this purpose. This is made to one way, with the broad portions slightcover the hive, allowing room for the ly overlapping, and the difference will

Other illustrations might be given, light frame, may be used for the pur- but these will indicate what we mean by neatness in dishing up. Such matters may seem trivial to some, but much of our comfort is due to the observance Poultry yards become very rich when of trifles.—American Agriculturist.

GONGS INSTEAD OF DINNER BELLS. -Japanese gongs are the latest substitute for the old-time nuisance, the dinner bell. Some way of announcing that dinner is ready is of course needed in every household of any pretentions, and now that the loud-toned brass- of liquid benzine will render 16,000 mouthed bell has been sent to Coventry. there is a big future before the Japanese gong. It is not clamorous, is thoroughly musical, and may be had in any salt rheum, or any affection caused by impure number of odd designs suited to the taste and purse of the purchaser. Two or more gongs may be sounded together greater than many suppose. You can to summon the guests, and if they are carefully toned to harmony the effect is flock, the greater the amount of manure of the dining-room or a single large bell given in all 39,000 stings. scattered over the area, which is evenly is suspended from the portiere rod. In distributed and can be easily incorpor- either case the movement of the draperies as the guests enter the dining-room sets the bells in motion and the effect added as manure to the soil, and it is no of the pleasant surprise will be to put inconsiderable item either. If you wish everybody in good humor. In the stately residences of the Four Hundred the custom of having a waiter enter the dining room and announce that dinner yard, and let the hens have the new is served will doubtless resist all innovations for some time to come. But in the homes of well-to-do, but less aristocratic people, the new customs are

gradually securing a foothold. APPLE PUDDING .- Peel and slice thick six or eight good sized sour apples, put them in an earthen pudding dish that will hold two quarts, cover newest, simplest and best, is the inven- the dish, and put it on top of the stove, where the apples will cook slowly, then mix two teaspoonfuls of baking powder in two cups of flour, add one-half teaspoonful of salt, one cup of sweet milk, and two well beaten eggs; mix all well together, and pour the mixture over the apple, which should have been cooking about one-half hour, cover the dish closely and leave it on top of the stove; it will take about one hour to cook after the batter is added. If the apples are dry put two or three tablespoonfuls of water in the dish before the batter is

> put in. Sauce for Pudding: Take one cup of very light brown or white sugar, and one-half cup of butter, beat till creamy, gallons of turpentine, three to four then add the white of one egg beaten to a froth (this can be reserved from the | cord. pudding), beat again thoroughly, and put in a pretty fancy dish and grate nutmeg over the top; in serving place a large spoonful on each piece of pudding.

COLD OATMEAL AND CREAM.-Farinacious goods are absolutely necessary during hot weather, but they are more acceptable if prepared the day before and placed on ice until wanted. Remember that imported oatmeal requires beneficial, while the prepared or partly cooked oatmeal can be made ready for use in from fifteen to twenty-five minutes, besides having other advantages. If the former is used proceed as follows: Stir gradually into two quarts of boiling water, slightly salted, a pound of outmeal; boil steadily, care being used electricity, ductility and tenacity as

to do as the water evaporates rapidly. first used. While hot pour it into a dish, and when cold place on ice. The next morning, loosen the edges with a knife and turn it out. It may be eaten with cream, or sliced and fried and served with strained honey.

ONE FOWL FOR DINNER. - Line an earthen pudding dish with veal cutlet, put into it also two or three thin slices of salt pork, then put the fowl after cutting into pieces, sprinkle pepper and salt over it, with little lumps of butter. If you have any white stock pour that THOSE who last year built siles, says over all, but if not use a little more butter, and then pour hot water in, not enough to quite cover the meat, but nearly enough; let this simmer in a moderate oven, covering the dish; after it is tender brown it nicely, make a rich gravy and serve as a stew, or you may cover the top of the dish with puff-paste half an hour before it is to be served.

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year, and the care of the kitchen uten- a free trial package of Lane's Family Medisils, the washtubs, etc., is by no means lost or useless. It is wise also, to look after the fruit cans; when the fruit is taken they should be washed in warm suds, and should then have a little soda or ammonia put into them and be filled with water, and allowed to stand for an hour or two, then they should be rinsed in clear water, and then rubbers and tops all be taken equally good care of,

The Morphine Habit.

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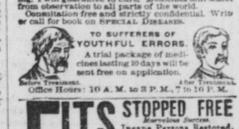


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Several people were anxious to knew what was going on and inquiries flew thick and fast. The conductor finally came into the car and a woman asked "Conductor, is anything up?"

"Yes'm." "Are we going backward?"

"We are."

"What has happened?"
"A boy in the next car lost his hat." "And we are stopping just for the

"Yes'm, but don't let your handkerchief blow out of the window. We are stop again this forenoon."

TAKING PRECAUTIONS. - Mind Reader, about to entertain the members of a New York club-"Before beginning, gentlemen, I wish to enquire if there are any surgeons present?"

President—"Yes, there are two."

"Then I shall require that a couple of policemen be summoned."

"What for?" "To protect me from their scalpels should I have an epileptic fit."

DOCTOR-"Your blood is sluggish, our liver is torpid, and what you need a vigorous shaking up. A sea voyage n rough weather would be an excellent

thing for you." New Yorker-"I can't afford that, floctor; it'll cost too much."

"Well, then, if you think you can stand it you might ride on a Madison street car."

WANTED TO KNOW .- "Pa, where was Captain Anson born?"

"I don't know, I'm sure," "Where was John L. Sullivan born?" "I don't know that either." "Pa, I wish you would buy me a his-

tory of the United States." THE FINAL GOAL .- Rev. Dr. Highchurch-"James, do you know where good little boys go to when they grov

Small James Brownstone-"Yes, sir. They get in the 400,"

NAMING THE BABY .- New Yorker -"I congratulate you on the latest acquisition to your family. Boy or girl." Nebraskan-"Girl."

"What's her name to be?" "Well, she howls so much nights, we thought we'd call her Cyclonia.'

GREAT HEAD .- Indulgent Mamma "Really, I don't know what you will do, Bridget, to keep the children out of the sugar bowl. We can't punish

Bridget-"I think I can prevent it, "What do you propose to do?"

"I'll keep the sugar bowl full of sait." MR. FIXMER-"What do you think ails your clock?"

Mr. Piller-"Tonsilitis," "Tonsilitis!" "I think so. The parts about the pallet seem to be affected."

A Specimen .- "Can you give me an example of a toothless animal of the mammalian group?" asked a teacher of a small i oy in the class in zoology.

"Yes, sir," said the boy, very promptly. "Indeed! What is it?"

"My grandma." HUBBY-"I do wish that baby next door would keep quiet. It's yelling is a terrible nuisance. Wifey-"Why, John, that's not the Smith's baby. It's ours, in the back

room. "Is that so? The dear, little darling."

Suspicion.-Nellie, reading to her grandmother, who is a little deaf-Procrastination has in all ages been the thief of time." Grandma, nervously-"Hey? Child, I wonder if he ain't the fellow that

stole your grandpap's gold watch?"

SHE GUESSED IT .- Dumley, to his Aunt Caustic, showing her a ring he has purchased for Miss Fickler—Auntie, whawt is so gween as an emewald?" Aunt Caustic-"Nothing, child, except the fool that gives one to another dude's best girl."

MISS BACKBITE, who has been dis ussing several of her friends' misdeeds "Now, you know, I never repeat candals" Mrs. Candor-"No, my dear, I have heard you invent them."

VISITOR-"Why are you crying, Tommy?" Tommy-"Because mamma won't et me wear my hair long."

"Oh, you want to look like little Lord Fauntleroy, don't you, dear?" "Naw; I want to look like Buffalo

A SUMMER ROMANCE. — Smiley Basker—"Ah, here comes Miss Coupon, the heiress. I waited on her once."
Friend, incredulously—You! Where?
"At the White Mountain House."

JENKINS to Henkins, after vainly

trying to understand a message over the telephone wire-"That's right! Get mad! I can hear you all right now." In evening dress a man should be-

leve all he hears, to be consistent with

his swallow-tale coat. JACK, excitedly - "Mamma, you know that lemon-pit I planted last year that came up a pea-vine? Well, it has

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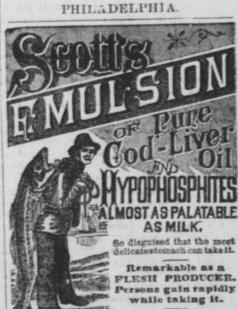
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