

Gettysburg, Friday, June 11, 1899.

Claims of Acres Trees Dying.—M. Murray, writing to the Farmers' Club of the American Institute, on the "Cause of Apple Trees Dying," says, that in Southern Ohio, where he was raised, he has known his father, eighteen or twenty years ago, to gather as much as forty bushels of apples from a single tree, and that of the most excellent variety. In the same region it now takes about forty trees to produce one bushel. Apple trees are dying in the locality about Gettysburg. In his father's orchard the progress of the disease was marked. Dropper not appeared, and the apples dropped off prematurely. The disease spread until finally the whole orchard became affected. His father hauled much of what he picked, and he and his wife tried to rot them, the trees and straw and leaves. He manured, mulched and pruned all to no purpose. The trees sickened and died. In his opinion, the death of the trees was caused solely by climatic changes.

How to Make Prime Butter.—A great many people inquire with no little solicitude, when they see the immense quantities of butter in the New York and other markets, why it is that some plain and simple rule, which everybody can understand and adopt, cannot be laid down for making butter. There can be no such rule. There is such a rule. And every person who follows it is sure to bring out prime butter. The rule is as simple, and may be adopted as readily as a rule for making cake or pie. Here it is: There is in all its details and you will be certain of getting butter. If the milk is churned, so that every dash and vessel that contains milk is clean and sweet. About 65° to 66° Fahrenheit is the proper temperature for either milk or cream, when the churning is commenced. Put no water in the milk or cream. If milk is allowed to stand until the cream rises, the pans must be set in a clean and dry room of uniform temperature, and free from all disagreeable odors. Then the churning must be performed before the cream has become at all rancid, or else it is injured by standing for nearly a week in a warm place. As soon as the butter is churned, it should be worked and salted. Everything round about the cream and butter should be as clean and sweet as the Spring breeze from the green hills. The next day the butter may be packed in salted and sealed with one ounce of fine salt per pound of butter, soon after which the butter should be packed. If proper cleanliness is observed the butter will be delicious. The mashing, flitting and slitting in a manner of making butter is a common method of glutting our markets with butter that respectable people cannot eat.

Overwork.—There was William Pitt, dead at 49, carrying the British Empire on his shoulders for a quarter of a century, and attempting to carry a pint of port wine daily and a pinch of opium from this over-care, foundering in mid ocean from this over-care. What a wreck was that when Britany Sheridan went to pieces on the breakers of impudence and overwork! There, too, was Mirabeau, that prodigy of strength and health, of versatility and eloquence, killed by the overbearing labors and exertions of the tribune and the orator of Cyprus. He, too, fell; and if ever a man might with impunity, in his own life, become health and marvellous mental power, said a distinguished Mississippi lawyer to me, "Prennis would sit up all night gambling and drinking, and then go into court next day and make a better plea in all respects than I could, or anybody else, in all our State, even though we studied our case half the night and slept the rest. He died at 47 years the lamp of life had been trimmed to last four hours. And upon the constitution in behalf of appetite is just as much a draft as in behalf of work and health are habitually preferred together, bankruptcy and ruin are sure and swift."

GENERAL BUTTS made the address at the decoration of the soldiers' graves at Gloucester, Massachusetts, and delivered a great portion of his remarks to a clear and concise summary of the injuries which our country had received from England, and the money that he had raised to our institutions had caused us to spend here and to slaveholders' rebellion. General Butts spoke of reparation as to be insisted on by the American people, and that should be handed down from parent to child and never forgotten.

Justice in Texas is still very rapid, if not always certain. A black mare was stolen from a livery stable, and after search, was heard from in a distant town. The proprietors sent a messenger after her and a day or two afterwards received a despatch as follows: "Your mare is here; I will bring her; thief hung."

The French has discovered that the white of an egg given in sweetened water is a sure cure for the croup. The remedy is to be repeated till a cure is effected.

Cows which are coming in at this season of the year should be well protected, well fed, and looked after daily. A little neglect now will have to be paid for at a high rate.

JOHN BILLINGS' friend the human face into three classes: "Those who think it is so, those who think it isn't so, and those who don't care whether it is or not."

Mr. James P. Boyd, for a year associate editor of the Philadelphia Press, has been promoted to one of the highest positions on the editorial staff of that journal.

STAR was but a young man when he tempted our parents with apples. He is about six thousand years old now and more cunning in the means of temptation.

"There, now," exclaimed a little girl while running in a barefooted grand-father has gone to heaven, without his spectacles.

"HAVE YOU EVER broken a horse? Inquired a jockey. "No, not exactly, but I have broken two or three wagons."

A moral surgical operation—to take the flesh out of a young man and the jaw out of a woman.

New Advertisements.

List of Merchants.

Table listing names and addresses of merchants in Gettysburg, Pa., including firms like J. E. Caldwell & Co., J. S. Witherow & Co., and others.

Business Cards.

Advertisement for MANTUA-MAKING by Mrs. E. J. Ziegler, offering services for plain sewing, dress making, and alterations.

Medical.

Advertisement for YOUNT'S COMPOUND, a medicine for various ailments including coughs, colds, and general weakness.

Miscellaneous.

Advertisement for REAL ESTATE AGENCY, offering services for buying and selling property in Gettysburg.

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Advertisement for SOMETHING NEW, featuring new furniture rooms and home furnishings.

Boots, Hats, Shoes, &c.

Advertisement for D. KITZMILLER & BRO., offering a variety of boots, shoes, and hats.

Boots & Shoes.

Advertisement for GENTLEMEN, LADIES & CHILDREN'S WEAR, featuring a wide selection of footwear.

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