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Tuesday, Mau 13, 1873. EARM AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS We inetrecomm
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departanent
A Poisonons Plant.
A fow years ngo there was in the Royal
Botanical Gardens at Kow, a specimen of probably the most poisouons plast ever introduced into England. It was the Jatro
phas urens, the properties of which are pha urenk, the properties of which are so
noxious that its possession is positively noxious that its possession is positively
dangerous, The ex-curator of the gardens vas one day reaching over it, when its fine oriatly stings touched his wist. The first awelling of the lips; the action of the poison was on the heart, ciroulation'wa
topped, and he soon fell, unconsclous ; topped, and he soon foll, unconschous ; the
ast thing he remembered, being eries of last thing he remombered, being eries of
"Run for the doctor." Either the docto was skilful, or the dose of poison injected not quite, though nearly enough to cause death; ; but afferwards the young gardener, in whose house the plant was placed, got in
thrust into a corner, and would not com thrust into a corner, and would: not com
within arm's length of it. He watered th offender with a pot having an \{extremely long spout. In a short time however, the pecimen of the genius Jatropha, wbich wa afterwards introduced, vanished in the like
mysterious manuer. It was presumed that the attendants were secretly determine hat such plants should not be retained in
tho houses, to cause the possibility of a noeldent such as that which happened to their curator:-The Garden.

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1 \text { Beautifal Experiment. }
$$ The following beautiful chemical iment may be easily performed by a lady lea party: Take two or - thee cirle at her tea party: Take two or -three loaves of

rod cabbage, cut them into small bits, put them into a basin, and pour a pint of boil ing water on them ; let it stand an hour then pour it off into a decanter. It will
be a fine bluc color. Then take four wine ghases ; into one put six drops of strong of soda; ; into the thind a strong solution. of soua; into the third a strong solution
of alum, and let the fourth remain empty. The glasses may be prepared sometime before, and the few drops of colorless liquid Uhat has been placed in them will not noticed. Fill up the glasses from th
decanter, and the liguid poured into glass containing the acid, will become
beantiful red, the glaks containing soda will become a fine green; that poured
into the empty one will rewain unchanged. By adding a little vinegar to the green it
will immediately change to red, and on add will immediately change to red, and on ad will assume a finn green, thus showing the action of acids and alkalies on vegetable
hues.

Cough Syrup.
Take Orieans molasses one pint, West India rum one pint, benzoic acid two
drachms,
tincture of
lobelia one ounce, tinoture of chrysosplenium Americanum or water-capet, two ounces. Mix. Dose
a teaspoonfut every two or three hourn This syrup in an invaluable remedy for coughs, colds, bronchitis and incipient consumption. It ean be used by children
and adults with perfect nafety, and is the best cough syrup known. Many cases of bencered by it. It improves the have tito, streagthons the lungs and vigor and whe to the whole system. Several cases who had tried Jayne's Expectorant, Dr trums, have bedies and many patent nosedy. In these cases the patient took tablespoonful five or aix times a day Irouing Slitrt Fronts.
in the usual manner; to a puil of made whole sperm candle is used. When the linen is dry, it is dipped in the cold starela and ironed in the ordinary way; thon it is iron prossed over it. This is an ordinary smoothing -iron, ground of so that the ipulation the linen in findebted for the pecularh, but whiel many housekeeporn have vainly striven to teave upon tho wristba

To Tan Small skins with the fieir Wash them in cold suds, then dimsolve puiverized saltpetre and alum in hot water,
ndd cold water and soak the akins in it all night; hang them over a pole to drain and alam : Fold the fesh sides tod naltpetre lay them where they will not froeze, turn every day till dry, then ncrape the heeh aice atone und the handa.
ca To wask hair brushees, never use
seap. Take a piece of noda, dimolve in warm water, stand the brualh in it, makivg It will almoat instantly become whito and clean. Place it in the sir bo dry, with the bristlen downward, and it will bo an firm an a new bruah.

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