She makes the best bread in the town, Her ples are a perfect delight, Her coffee a rich golden brown, Her crullers and puddings just right; en while I eat them she tells Of the care and worry they bring, Of the martyr-like toll she endures O, she's such a fidgety thing!

My house is as neat as a pin: [shim
You should see how the door handle
And all the soft cushioned chairs, And nicely swept carpets are mine. But then she so frets at the dust, At a fly, at a straw, or a string, That I stay out of doors all I can, She is such a fidgety thing!

She doctors the neighbors? O, yes; If a child has the measles or croup, She is there with her saffrons and squills, Her dainty-made gruels and soup. But then she insists on her right To physic my blood in the spring, And she takes the whole charge of my bile Oh! she is such a fidgety thing!

She knits all my stockings herself; My shirts are bleached white as snow; My old clothes look better than new, Yet daily more threadbare they grow. But then if a morsel of lint, Or dust to my trowsers should cling, I'm sure of one sermon at least, She is such a fidgety thing!

You have heard of a spirit so meck, So meek that it never opposes, It's own it dares never to speak— Alas! I am meeker than Moses. But then I am not reconciled The subordinate music to sing: I submit to get rid of a row, She is such a fidgety thing!

It's just as you say, neighbor Green, A treasure to me has been given; But sometimes I fain would be glad To lay up my treasure in heaven! But then every life has its cross, Most pleasures on earth have their stings She's a treasure I know, neighbor Green, But she's such a fidgety thing!

### Silver in the Sea.

The poet tells of the gems that shine the immensity of its waters, as secure Its very diffusion puts it out of our system. The fact that it is everywhere makes it practically nowhere. metal is thus uniformly diffused. The would do in the waking state." water of the Pacific off the coast of Chili,

it is only minute quantities of matter in a very small amount of nitric acid, which, if pure, is colorless liquid. Coin soon vanishes, and the liquid is as clear and transparent as ever. Many dollars' worth of silver might thus be concealed in a gallon of what would seem to be nothing but water. Other metals, and, indeed solid substances of all kinds, may be dissolved and made to disappear in a similar way. There is no visible form of matter which chemical agencies may not render invisible. What we commerely this metamorphosis from the seen to the unseen. When wood or anymoves it from our sight. Not a particle of matter can be really destroyed, unless by the Power that called it into exist-The silver in our transparent liquid is not annihilated if we pour it into the sea; it is lost to us, but the silver is there, like the millions of tons of kindred metal that were already mingled with the waters. In like manner the coal and wood we burn, except the small residuum of ashes, have become viewless gases, and are blended with the aerial ocean of the atmosphere. On the clearest day, the air above us is laden with thousands of tons of carbon, in this transparent condition. It is there, though we cannot see it, and plants are continually turning it back into visible form again. This is the key to the mystery of their growth, which is mainly the withdrawing of carbon from its gaseous state of carbonic seid, and making it a part of their own structure. We have said that the silver in the sea

is usaless, because it is diffused through so vast a bulk of fluid. But the fact that it has been possible to detect it, when thus diffused, shows that if chemical agencies can make solid substances vanish from our sight, they can, on the other hand, compel a body thus con-cealed to show itself, even when it forms only the minutest proportion of the mixture. The delicacy of chemical tests is almost beyond belief. A single drop colorless liquid, added to a gallon of colorless liquid, may instantaneously produce a well-defined red, or blue or yellow throughout the entire mass of the latter; and yet, it may be less than a hundredth part of a grain of some solid substance in solution, that is made to give such unmistakable evidence of its presence .- Boston Journal of Chemist-

said to be a man 67 years old, now living er ships; he would then retire to his in the streets, and men and women meet in Chester county, Pa., who has been blind since he was seven years old, and who can find his way home among the but if the word "signal" was even whistrees on Welsh Mountain at any time without aid from any one; who can pass from one place to another for a distance of four or five miles in his own neighborhood : knows the different residences of the neighbors as soon as he approaches them; knows the voices of his acquaintances, and in many instances their footsteps; can tell different kinds of timber; make a shaking fork, broom, or axe-handle; can hang an axe, and can through all the stages of a duel, or of an shown filled with pictures of the grosschop wood, and when done with his impending shipwreck, or of a sanguina- est kind. To a lady or gentleman it is day's work will hide his axe, and return ry tattle; each sentence spoken by them all the same—they show them alike. I

The sleep-walkers who go from room to room, and are very busy in a sort of world of their own, without actually composing new music or writing new compositions, are numerous. The Morn ing Chronicle in 1822 gave an account of a seaman who slept for a night at an inn in York. Wishing to be called early next morning, and knowing himself to be a heavy sleeper, he directed the chamber-maid to come into his room and call him, if he did not hear her knock at the door. Waking when the sun was high in the heavens, he felt certain that he had slept far beyond the proper time; but looking for his watch to know the hour, he found that it was not in its place under the pillow, where he had placed it. He jumped out of bed to dress, but his clothes were gone; and, looking round, he found himself in a strange room. He rang the bell; the chamber-maid appeared, and then he found that he had, at some early hour in the morning, left his bed and wandered in a somnambulistic sleep into another room; for when the maid came to call him he was not in his proper room. Wienholt relates the case of a student who, when in a somnambulistic state, was wont to leave his bed, go to the parler or to his study, take out pen, ink, and paper, place music in its proper position on the piano-forte, and play a whole piece through with his eyes shut. His friends once turned the music upside down while he was playing. He somehow detected the change, and replaced the paper in the proper position. On another occasion his ear detected a note out of tune; he tuned the string, and went on again. On a third occasion he wrote a letter to his brother, rational and legible to a certain point; but it was singular to observe that he continued to write after the pen had lost its ink, making all the proper movements without being conscious that he made no more marks on the paper. A case is on record of a young lady who, when under the influence of a particular nervous complaint, would walk about the house in a state of sleep, or coma, steering her way safely between the articles of furniture, and even avoiding objects purposely placed to obstruct her path. Her eyes were open, but she evidently

did not see through them in the ordinawith "purest ray serene" in dark un-fathomed caves of ocean; but it is not strong lights held close to her eyes, and in those inaccessible depths alone that even a finger that was actually placed the treasure of the sea is hidden. There against the eyeball. Physicians are acis untold wealth diffused throughout quainted with many evidences of persons who do not see with the eyes, but from human avarice as if it were in the have some unexplained kind of vision abysses which plummet never sounded. in certain morbid states of the nervous Thosa somnambulists who wander Some about in streets and roads, or (like Amiyears ago, certain French chemists de. na, in Bellini's opera) walk along planks monstrated that sea-water contains an in perilous situations, have the muscular appreciable amount of silver. They de- sense, whatever it may be, effectively cided that, if it is equally distributed, awake. Doctor Carpenter notices, at there must be at least two millions of some length, "the sleep-walkers who tons of the precious metal in the whole make their way over the roofs of houses, ocean, or more than has ever been dug steadily traverse narrow planks, and from the earth. And experiments made even clamber precipices; and this they at widely distant points, prove that the do with far less hesitation than they sense of fear is asleep, whatever else as analyzed by an English chemist, gives may be awake. Some somnambulists the same result as the Frenchman had start off while asleep to attend to their obtained from the waters of the British regular work, though under very irregular circumstances. Not very many The silver in the sea is only one out years ago a working stone-mason in of a thousand illustrations of solid sub- | Kent was one evening requested by his stances made invisible by chemical pro-cesses. And we must not suppose that yard in the neighborhood and measure the work which had been done to a wall, that can be thus lost to sight in trans- in order that an account might be sent parent liquid. A silver half-dollar (a mythical piece of money to our young readers, but the old folks can tell them he awoke he found himself fully dressed, he awoke he found himself fully dressed, in the open air, and in the dark. Pres-son, and was as excited as a child at the how large it is, or was ) can be dissolved in the open air, and in the dark. Presently a clock struck two, and he knew that he was in the church-yard. As he found that he had a measuring-rod and a book in his hand, he resolved to walk about till daybreak (it being summer weather), and ascertain what it was that he had really done. He then found that he had measured the wall correctly, and had entered the particulars in his book. Sometimes, instead of starting up from sleep to go to work, persons will fall asleep while working or walking. When monly call the destruction of matter is Sir John Moore made his famous retreat to Corunna whole battalions of exhausted troops slumbered as they thing else is burned, it has simply un- marched. Muleteers have been known dergone a chemical change which re- to sleep while guiding their mules, coachmen while driving on the box, post-boys while trotting on their horses,

and factory children while at work.

There was a rope-maker in Germany who often fell asleep while at work, and either continued his work in a proper way or uselessly remade cordage already finished. Sometimes when walking long distances he was similarly overtaken with sleep; he went on safely, avoiding horses and carriages, and timber lying on the road. On one occasion he fel asleep just as he got on horseback; yet he went on, rode through a shallow river, allowed his horse to drink, drew up his legs to prevent his feet from being wetted, passed through a crowded market-place, and arrived safely at the house of an acquaintance; his eyes were closed the whole time, and he awoke just after reaching the house. Gassendi describes a case of a man who used to rise in the night, dress himself while asleep, go down to the cellar, d aw wine from a ask, and walk back to his bed without stumbling over anything. In the morning, like other sleep-walkers, he knew nothing of what had happened. If he chanced to wake while in the cellar. which once or twice occurred, he groped his way back in the dark with more difficulty than when the sleep was upon him. Another Italian, also mentioned by Gassendi, passed on stilts over a swollen torrent in the night while asleep,

An additional element of interest is presented in those cases in which speaking is concerned, the somnambulist either talking or hearing what is said ing Toulon. He sometimes remained pered in his ear he was roused instantly. station in 1758, who, when asleep, was peculiarly sensitive to the voices of familiar acquaintances, and powerfully influenced by anything they said to him.

then awoke, and was too much afraid to

recross until daylight came.

at length he would start up in imaginary danger, and perhaps awake by fall-ing out of his berth or stumbling over a

Provident Suicides. The plan of raising the wind by stopping one's own has ceased to be merely ghastly joke. A desperate gamester is have sold his head to an anatoamong the incidents against which this | you will see them no more. provident measure is designed to guard. useful and so beneficial shall not become an encouragement to self-slaughter. kind has recently occurred in Memphis. A Hebrew named Spears, a small shopkeeper, who had, by the close and saga-tious application for which his race is

remarkable, accumulated a little property worth some \$5,000, in an unfortunate hour was induced to gamble for a cost it sometimes acts as a lure, a notice small amount, which he lost. Not beon for some months with the fatal idea that luck would turn, and of course lost all he was worth. He took the precaution to insure his life for \$5,000 for the benefit of his wife, and then went through to the end of his means. On the last day of his life he asked his wife for some money. After remonstrating with him for his course of life she gave him five dollars, with which he trudged away to the den where his happiness had been squandered, and played for some time with unusual success; but at last the coil was tightened upon him and he was penniless. On his way home at night he stopped at a tavern and wrote a heart-broken letter to his wife, in which the sordid little cares of business are cariously mingled with bursts of passionate grief. He sends a tender farewell to his "good and true wife," and his brave "boy Bennie," and takes care to say that he "owes Mr. Baldwin five dollars," against which he offsets "a show-case, some bed-linen, and the large "Now I see," he cries, "what a loving and good wife is. I was the villain; can I answer before God? But, dear wife, it is better for you." Here he reverts to the monetary standard of val-uation. "If I die, then you receive \$5,000; but should I have lived, our whole capital would have been but \$300." This is an alternative in the face of which there is no possibility of hesitation. Although his heart is bleeding at the separation, it would not be possible to resist such a bargain. "Zum letz-ten Male, lebt wohl! lebt wohl! I have paid the rent up to the 14th of July." With this strange letter in his pocket he went home, and in the morning was so unusually gay as to excite the surprise

prospect of his journey; he died apparently without regret. There is a widespread confusion of moral perception in regard to such performances, which is not only the predisposing cause to most of these suicides, but also influences the general feeling of sympathy for the survivors as against the defrauded corporations. It goes beyond that natural and whimsical fancy of the boatman who thought himself drowning, and whose last reflection as ne went under was that it was a good joke on the insurance companies. tends to place the insurer and the insured on the footing of hostility, instead of co-operation, where they really stand. An Arkansas gentleman tersely expressed this distorted view of the case when, declining the overtures of an agent, he said he "had played about every game there was on the cards, but wouldn't go into a thing where he had got to die to There is no other idea in the wretched mind of poor Spears, as he prepares to perfect his title to that five thousand dollars, which he considers his own. His death is only a necessary formula to enable him to draw the money.

The disregard for life which, in Oriental countries, finds its highest expressionfin duels, by hari-kari and in vicarious executions, has long been regarded as marking the most radical point of difference between the Eastern and the Western mind. But if we are to go on in the way which has been indicated in the last twelvemonth-young metaphysicians taking poison for purposes of discovery, lovers who fear separation killing themselves with no settled arrangements for housekeeping anywhere else, and steady fathers of families committing suicide in the interest of their bank account-how long will it be that we can look with wonder or distrust upon our antipodes, where, as a recent traveller requests us to believe, the height of practical jesting consists in a suicide on a neighbor's property, so as to give him the amusement of a trial for murder?—

## The Japanese.

From a letter written by Osgood, the artist, now travelling in Japan, we make the following extract: "Once in Japan to him by others. Many writers men-tion the instance of a young naval offi-our senses with delight. The people are cer who was signal lieutenant to Lord a never ending study, so strange, so Hool when the British fleet was watch- new, so clever and ingenious, so agree able, so industrious, but-I am sad to be on deck eighteen or twenty hours at a forced to think, so immoral and shame-BLIND FOR SIXTY YEARS.—There is time, watching for signals from the oth- less. Almost entirely naked men labor cabin, and fall into a sleep so profound in the same bath without clothing that no ordinary voice could wake him; There are other results which I will not put down in plain black and white, which the government is trying to erad-Doctor James Gregory cites the case of a young military officer, going with his a paper fan without holding it to the regiment in a troop-ship to a foreign light to see if there is not some immoral picture between the paper. You cannot buy a sleeve-button but you are in danger of obtaining two pictures, one inside and the other outside, carved in Some of the other young officers, ready the ivory and sorewed together; nor an for any pranks, would lead him on illustrated book but you have them the ivory and screwed together; nor an to the woods on the following day and turning his dream (if it may be called a had to examine every article before I phoric acid from the potash find it.

### FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

PROTECTING FRUIT AND SERDS FROM Binds.—A correspondent of the London Field gives the following method as having proved in his experience entirely

And what, you will ask, is my talis-man? Simply a ball of gray or whity-brown linen thread. I take a ball of this in my hand, fasten the end of it to mist for money enough to play a final stake, and, after losing, was judged by a jury of honor among his friends to have committed a gross violation of all the twig in perhaps a dezen different direccommitted a gross violation of all the convenances by blowing a hole through a piece of property to which he had no longer any claim. The suicides of the present day exhibit equal deliberation present day exhibit equal deliberation of the trees I mean. It is not necessary the thread should be white or coarse; it the thread should be white or coarse; it the trees I mean infallible rule to distinguish a good egg and an equally confused perception of legal and moral obligation. Several men of late have taken the last relics of their scanty fortunes and effected an integral of their lives and their have taken the last relics of the birds after performing the operation; they come boldly to settle on the surance upon their lives, and then have trees; and they strike against these to killed themselves for the benefit of their them invisible snares, for such no doubt families. In all cases so far the courts they deem them to be; they fly off in a have held the companies liable for the terrible hurry, and settle on the walls or amount of the insurance, regarding sui- trees round about, longing and getting cide as an incident of insanity, and one hungry, till at last they disappear, and

provident measure is designed to guard.

If, however, these affairs exhibit a tend
I always sow in drills, I simply stretch a ency to reproduce themselves too frequently, it may well be seriously considat about two inches from the ground, ered whether some legislation is not nec- supporting it at that height by little essary to restrict the responsibility of forked sticks. If you put it much highthe companies, so that an institution so er than this the birds do not seem to care for it-it does not touch them ; that is the grand secret-something which One of the most singular cases of this touches them, something they do not well see, nor know what it means.

I have seen people put thick white string with feathers tied to it, and perhaps two feet from the ground. birds soon understand these, and care little for them ; in short, I know to my ing able to endure the thought of losing be had worth looking after. I will anmoney without an equivalent, he went swer for it, any one adopting the plan I recommend will never have cause to complain of the birds, however numerous they may be.

GALLED HORSES' SHOULDERS .- There are few things more painful to look at than a poor horse wincing and balking at every root which comes against the plough, while the ploughman is slashing him with the line, and goading him into a passion, for his restiveness under

the torture of a sore shoulder. In using a new collar it is best always to wet it thoroughly before you put it on the unimal. A few hours' use will give it a set to the peculiar formation of the shoulder, which it will always keep. The same collar should always be used for the same horse. There is no worse practice than shifting gear upon a plantation. Every horse should have his own gear, and it should never be used for an other, and every laborer should be held responsible for its condition. We prefer the common bark or shuck collar to any other kind. If the shoulder should be come galled, a pad of cotton may be put on so us to keep the pressure off the sore. A little neat's foot oil applied every day will heal it up. It is best, however, when the first appearance of a bruise is noted, to apply spirits of turpentine. But it is better still to prevent such mischief. We always keep at the stable a bottle of vinegar, with a few spoonsful of alum dissolved in it, and require the shoulders to be washed with it when the horse comes in at noon and night. If it be inconvenient to use this solution, a strong decoction of oak bark will answer a very good purpose. This astringent

SOIL AND RIPENING OF SMALL FRUITS .- In all of our descriptions of different varieties of small fruit, in speakgeneral crop and not to a few scattering berries. Perhaps there is no strawberry cramp. grown that will color a few berries earlier than the Wilson, while its main crop or picking is fully four or five days late han many other sorts.

while.—Rural Carolinian.

The Downer's Prolling ripens up a fine picking with us before the Wilson's Albany, if not grown on too rich soil; and too, the bulk of the crop ripens up early which is not the case with the Wilson. This same thing is noticeable in the raspberry or blackberry. The Philadel

phia will turn a few berries as early a the Kirtland, but the last yields all of its crop early, at three or four pickings, while the Philadelphia extends along for weeks and months. Just so with the Miami and Doclittle. The first will ripen up a few berries as early as the last, but the last will all be gone by th time the first is yielding full pickings. The Wilson and Kittatinny blackberry show the same characteristics. The las will ripen up a few berries as early as the first, but not its general crop. Now what are the advantages of one over the other? Simply that the Downer, Kirtland, and Wilson's Early are all marketed when the price is high, while the other dwindles along late and brings less price-that is in the markets where ear liness is a requisite for profit.

How to Make Dutch Cheese .- Allow the milk to thicken; then heat gently over a fire in a large kettle, till the curd separates from the whey; then dip out into a colander or other suitable vessel, so that the whey can be pressed out of the curds as dry as possible; after all the curds are pressed out, crumble up with the hands as fine as can be done, then press down in an earthen vessel, and let it stand a few days until it be-comes thoroughly heated. Don't omit to stir it throughout every day, eft rward pressing it down, so that every portion of it may become heated alike; now take it out and salt to suit the taste -if one wishes to, she can add a small quantity of butter, it makes it richer; but it is not positively necessary, as it is very good without it; then take a deep basin or basins, (according to the quan tity and size you want the cheese), grease them well, press them even full of cheese and set them in a stove or oven and bake till slightly brown on the top, and your cheese is done. This mode of making it is equally as good as English cheese, and fit to set before a king.— K. E. S., Birchrunville, Pa.

WHY CATTLE NEED SALT .- A corres pondent wishes the reason why cattle sed salt. It is because phosphate of soda must be furnished to the blood, whereas it is phoshpate of potash that exists in grains and grasses grown on soils deficient, as most soils are, in saline or sodic compound. When salt is taker into the animal system it is partially decomposed. Some of its chlorine unites with the potassium of the potash while the liberated sodium is oxydized to form soda, and this combines with the phosphoric acid from the potash phosphate to form phosphate of soda. Soda also

exists in milk. It is this which gives the fluid its slightly alkaline taste when first drawn. If this be absent, as when cattle are not supplied some way with salt, the milk is unwholesome. Cattle are apt to prefer grass grown on lands top-dressed with two or three hundred weight of salt to the acre, for the reason that the salt renders the grass sweeter, more tender and more succulent. The weight of grass grown on salted land is, however, likely to be diminished in proportion, as rankness of growth is pre

To TELL Good Edgs .- If you desire to from a bad one.

London numbers two hundred and fifty female students of medicine.

New York Markets.

FLOUR AND MEAL—The market was more sciive for the low grades of Western and State Heurs. Southern flours were in better supply and drooping. By flour and corn meal in fair demand and firm. We quote Western and State superflue, \$5 as \$5.50; do. shipping extras, \$5.75 a \$5.15; do. trade and family brands at \$5.20 a \$5.50. Southern shipping extras, \$5.40 a \$5.75; do. bakere and family brands \$7 a \$5. Pye flour, \$1.75 a \$5.00. Corn meal, \$2.40 a \$3.50 fer Western, and \$4.10 for Brandy wine. Greenways Coffee setting and firm for Blo. 13 a

COTTON—The market on the spot was more active and prices unchanged; sales at 20%. For middling uplands, and 20% for low middling. For future de-livery fairly active at 23:16% for July, 207-166 for August, 19%c, for September, and 18 15-166, for October, and 18% for Nevember, December, and January.

October, and 15% for Nevember, December, and January.

Grain—Was irregular and less active, closing flat; sales at \$1.45 a \$1.55 for new spring. \$1.45 a \$1.51 for row do. Senth ern; \$1.52 a \$1.67 for white Western and Southern, Rye masetited. Barley dull, Barley mait unchanged, Oats duil but firm; sales at \$45 a \$5. for Western and 5% a 75.c for Ohio, the latter for choice white. Cern active and \$c, higher; sales at 70% a 71½c, for Western mixed; other qualities nearly nominal.

Suxparise—Rosin was firm, with sales strained at \$2.85 a \$2.95. Spirits turpentine dull at \$7 a \$7 %c. Petroleum ingher and active; refined sold on the spot at 25c. Tallow dull at 95 a 95c. Whiskey was irmer! a 91% a 95c. Freights easier and less active; grain to Liverpool, by steam, 8d, and by \$1.76. Live Stock Market—The market was fair for

INVE STOCK MARKET—The market was fair for good cattle, and prices about the same as on Morgood cattle, and prices about the same as on Morgood cattle, and prices about the same as on Morgody last. The native steers were sold at 10% a 12% c. P. B., with a few of the best at 12% a 13c, and some of the worst at 10c. The Pexans brought 3% a 0% c. P. B. A large number of Texans are looked for in this market before the end of July, and shippers must not count upon high prices. The market was moderately active at 5% a 6% c. for sheep, and 7% a moderately active at 5% a 6% c. for sheep, and 7% a moderately active at 5% a 6% c. for sheep, and 7% a 10% c. for lands, with a few heavy Canada and State sheep sold at 6% c., and some selected lambs at 10% a 10% c. Calves were firmer, and milk fed were sold at 8 a 11c. P B., and grassers at \$7 a \$11 P head. Hore are nominally quoted at 5 a 5% c. P B. Dressed hogs were firm at 5% a 6% c, for extra heavy to light, and pigs are sold at 7c.

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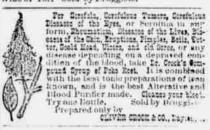
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