# THE WEEPING WILLOW.

## How a Product of the Garden of Eden Endgrated to this Country.

You have seen and admired the weeping willow tree-the Salix Babylonica -upon which the captive Hebrews hung their harps when they sat down by the rivers of Babylon and "wept when they remembered Zion." It is a native of the Garden of Eden and not of America, and I will tell you how it emigrated to this country.

More than 150 years ago a merchant lost his fortune. He went to Smyrna, a seaside city in Asia Minor, to recover it. Alexander Pope, one of the great poets of England, was the merchant's about it. warm friend, and sympathized with him in his misfortunes.

Soon after the merchant arrived in Smyrna he sent to Pope, as a present, a box of dried figs. At that time the poet had built a beautiful villa at Twickenham, on the bank of the river Thames, and was adorning it with trees, shrubbery and flowering plants.

On opening the box of figs Pope discovered in it a small twig of the tree. It was a stranger to him. As it c me from the East he plan ed the twig in the ground near the edge of the river, close by h s villa. The spot accidently chosen for the planting was favorable to its growth, for the twig was from the weeping willow tre , possibly from the bank o one of "the ri ers of Babylon," is to put the calf in some convenient -which flourishes best along the borders of water courses.

This little twig grew vigorously, and in a few years it became a large tree, spreading wide its branches and drooping, graceful sprays, and winning the ins iration of the poet's friends as well as strangers. It became the ancestor of al the we ping willow- inE gland.

There was a rebellion in the English-American colonies in 1775. British troops were sent to Boston to put down the insurrection. Their leaders expected to end it in a few weeks after their arrival. Some young offic-rs brought fishing tackl- with them to enable them to enjoy sport after the brief war. Others came to settle on the con-fise ted land of the "rebels."

Among the latter was a young officer on the staff of General Howe. He brought with him, wrapped in oil silk, a twig from Pope's weeping willow at Twickenham, which he intended to plant on some stream watering his American estate.

Washington commanded an army before Boston, which kept the British imprisoned in that city a long time against their will. On his staff was his stepson, John Parke Curtis, who frequently went to the British headquarters, under the protection of a flag, with dispatches for General Howe. He became acquainted with the young officer who had the willow twig, and they became friends.

Instead of "crushing the rebellion in six weeks," the British army at Boston, at the end of an imprisonment of nine months, was glad to fly by sea, for life and liberty, to Halifax. Long before that flight the British subaltern, satisfied that he should never have an estate in America to adorn, gave his carefully preserved willow twig to young Curtis, who planted it in Abingdon, his estate in Virginia, where it grew and flourished, and became a parent of all the weeping willows in the United States.

Horatio Gates, of the Revolution, set-York island, and at the entrance to a is Twenty second street. Gates' man-sion, built of wood, and two stories in as strong with acid as the soap will per-Mr. Waite, of Connecticut, seventy

# FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD. and a careful following of these direc-

# Expelling Bots

If I remember right, Dr. Horne some-where stated that there is no way of ex-pelling bots from a horse. I have been in the habit of giving horses a strong decoction of sage, well sweetened, which had the effect of expelling the bots. It was supposed, when I was a boy, that sage tea acted as a cathartic, and that the bots were fond of sweet, and would let go to take a sip of tea, and while sip- 219 are lawyers. The President and ping tea, would be carried along intestinal canals and the horse would be relieved. A few ashes help them along.

# Spare the Calves.

As spring is now here we would

again caution farmers against the indiscriminate slaughter of these innocents. The considerations advanced by some farmers in favor of this practice are purely of a mercenary character, and if generally adopted would soon put an end to one of the most important branches of rural husbandry, and could be likened to the fable of the foolish man who killed the goose that lay the golden egg.

It requires but very little trouble to raise a spring calf, and what little trouble there is is confined to the first few weeks of its life. The better way grass lot separate from the cow, and allow it to suck its mother every morning and evening, gradually diminishing its allowance as the grass makes its appearance and which it will soon learn to eat. At the end of five or six weeks it can be easily taught to drink out of a bucket, when skimmed milk, mixed with a little corn and oats ground together, and a little flaxseed boiled to a jelly, can be substituted for its usual diet of new milk. Calves fed in this way seldom get the "scours," but should a case of the kind occur it can easily be stopped by giving the calf a little boiled fresh milk, and mixing therewith a table-spoonful or so of powdered chalk. When the calf is some three months

old and the grass well up, it may be turned out to some good pasture where there is plenty of water, but not within reach or hearing of the cow. The trouble is then all over, as the calf will shift for itself.

### Carbolic Acid for Insects.

The time has almost come again when "the little busy bugs" will open up their the last of his race in Congress, but is summer campaign and dispute with the consoled by having been called to the "lords of creation" for possession of the "fruits of the earth." Allow me thus

early to call attention to an article, the merits of which everybody knows, but which many dare not use-I refer to by reason of his appearance, but in fact carbolic acid. Prepared as indicated it cannot, I think, hurt the most delicate is not yet fifty-two, but his stooping house plants, and it is sure to kill in- posture and his hair and beard of sitsect life. My plan of preparing is as follows: I obtain crude carbolic acid; I older than he is. Senator Thurman, so use it in this form because it is stronger | lately deposed, was ranked with Ed and betterfor the purpose and costs but | munds as the best lawyer in the body very little (about twenty-five cents per gallon, I think.) I pour a quantity of this dark crude acid into a quantity of good strong domestic soft soap; stir well together and allow to stand for a few hours. I then test the compound by mixing a little of it with soft water. If too much acid has been added, oily par-Some time after the war General ticles of carbolic acid will be observed floating on the surface. This shows one stone-cutter, one insurance agent, tled on the Rose Hill farm, on New that more acid has been put in than the two millers and three owners and opera-York island, and at the entrance to a lane which led from a country road to his house he planted a twig from the cess of acid. No more definite rule can vigorous willow at Abingdon, which he be given, as so much depends on the press, for the reason, no doubt, that had brought with him. That country road is now Third avenue, and the lane tablespoonfuls of the acid to a quart of pious to meddle much in politics.

tions will make you so, you have the most delicious bread that has ever entered mortal's mouth. If you have a ried. Iarge baking the ingredients are to be teen. proportionately increased.

Senators and Congressmen. There are seventy-six members of the

United States Senate, fifty-nine of whom are practicing lawyers. Of the 293 members of the House of Representatives the Vice-President of the United States are both lawyers, and nearly all the governrelieved. A few ashes help them along. I write from experience; no guess-work lowest, are headed and directed by the same profession. In the Senate, especially among Senators themselves, each member's ability is guaged by his rank as a lawyer. When the status of an incoming Senator is under discussion specially among Senator is under discussion

the remark is frequently heard: "He is a fine lawyer, and will make a good Senator," the general supposition being that because a man is a legal light he must, therefore, be "trimmed and burning" for a first-class statesman. Why the people of this model republic give such marked preference to the one particular profession in selecting their legislators and rulers is a conundrum not yet satisfactorily answered--unless

it is because persons bred to the law naturally become expert wire-pullers, and know how to help themselves. In the present Senate there is but one physician; in the House only four. To

bring the Senate down to a fine point, statistically, there are in that august body eight merchants, two planters, two grandchildren, thirteen great-greatfarmers, one banker, one mine operator, one editor, one doctor, one with no business whatever, and all the rest are limbs of the law.

Senator Hamlin is the oldest member of the Senate, both as to years and in point of service, counting from his first election. Senator Anthony has been longer in continuous service than any other. He first took his seat in 1859. and has been regularly re elected at the end of each term. Mr. Hamlin, who is now about seventy-one years of age, first came into the Senate in 1848, but he subsequently resigned when elected governor of Maine. He was, however, re-elected to the Senate immediately after being inaugurated as governor. and afterward again resigned to become Vice President of the United States. Blanche R. Bruce, of Mississippi, whose time has just expired, was the youngest Senator, being yet under forty. He was

present administration as register of the treasury. Senator Edmunds, of Vermont, is by many supposed to be the oldest Senator there are but few younger than he. He

politic, and in their respective parties are usually accepted as authority upon questions of management and policy. Besides the 219 lawyers in the house,

there are twenty-five merchants, five bankers, five capitalists, two inventors, five manufacturers, two teachers, twelve farmers, four physicians, one architect and builder, four editors, two ministers,

# A Remarkable Couple.

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of her burial he was escorted to her

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A Wise Dencon. "Dencon Wilder, I want you to tell me how you kept yourself and family so well the past season, when all the rest of us have been sick so much, and have had the doctors running to us so long?" "Bro. Taylor, the answer is very easy. I med Hoe Birrraus in time and kept my family well and saved large doctor bills. Three dol-lars' worth of it kept us all well and able to your all the time, and I will warrant it has cost you and most of the neighbors one to two hun-dred dollars aplece to keep sick the same time. I guess you 'll take my medicine hereafter." See other column. teen. In 1801 they removed to Scotts-burg, now Scottsville, N. Y. There they lived together for seventy-eight years. On the fifth of December, 1879, Mrs. Gannue died, at the age of 103 years, after a married life of eighty-nine years. Her husband is still living, 108 years old. He lives with his son-in-law, George Muir, at Rochester, N. Y. He

There are people who claim that a husband that stays out late at night has is sound mentally. With the exception of being a cripple from a fall he had no respect for the feelings of his wife. sixteen years ago, his physical condition is excellent. He became blind in his Evidently there are people in the world who never saw said husband climbing ninetieth year. He was blind six years, the rear stairs at 1:30 A. M. with his boots in his hand and his heart in his hroat.- Fonkers Statesman.

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hard, after living nearly ninety years 6 50 8 00 with her, that she must be taken away without my being able to see her again !" He had never been known to 1 27 . @ 1 29 weep before. Mr. Gannue is a basket maker. He has not worked at his trade

Rye-State. Barley-Two-rowed State..... since he became a cripple. He is an inveterate user of tobacco, but never drank intoxicating liquors. His wife

1 283 1 10 80 573 633 53 47 bore him sixteen children. Eightthree sons and five daughters-are still living. There are living besides thirtyeight grandchildren, twenty-three great 16 00 m grandchildren and thirteen more dis-

Petroleum—Crude..... Refined ..... Butter—State Creamery, new. tant grandchildren. A few months ago

6955340796998 his eyesight was once more restored. The men of Hilliard, a small Wyoming mining town on the Union Pacific railroad, were spoiling for a spree, but lacked the money to pay for it. At this juncture the passengers on a train were horrified at the sight of a rough-looking

 
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 while a party of miners were suspending a noose from a branch of a tree. The prisoner begged the travelers to rescue

him, but the miners said that he was a thief, and had justly been condemned to death. It was intimated, however, that the payment of \$100, the amount he had stolen, would secure his liber-

ation. The money was hastily con- tributed, and the train went on, carry- ing the rescued man along; but he jumped off at the next station, and got back to Hilliard in time to take part in he revelry.	
<b>Unbenithy Surroundings.</b> To breathe pure, healthful air, and to follow occupations conducive to health and long life, are the privileges of the minority. The ma- jority must dwell wherever their lot is cast,	WATERTOWN (MASS.) CATTLE MARKET. Reef Cattle-Dressed weight 71/670 83/4 Sheep

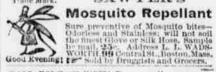
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SIX, If you want & Constant Store was really to the start of the start

twig planted at the entrance to Gates' lane, remained until comparatively a second street. It was a direct descendant, in the third generation, of Pope's willow, planted at Twickenham about Young People.

ernment," gives the following account of his capture by the Federals:

My horse and those of my party that a marauding party intended to cided me to wait long enough to see whether there was any truth in the rumor, which I supposed would be ascertained in a few hours. My horse remained saddled and my pistols in the hosters, and I lay down, fully dressed, to rest. Nothing occured to rouse muntil just before dawn, when my coachman, a free colored man, who faithfully clung to our fortunes, came and told me there was firing over the branch, just behind our encampment. I stepped plication exterminated the enemy. - T. out of my wife's tent and saw some horsemen, whom I immediately recognized as cavalry, deploying around the encampment. I turned back and told my wife these were not the expected marauders, but regular troopers. She implored me to leave her at once. I hesitated from unwillingness to do so, and lost a few precious moments before yielding to her importunity. My horse cups sugar, one cup sour milk, three and arms were near the road which I level cups flour, one-half cup butter, yielding to her importunity. My horse expected to leave, and down which the cavalry approached. It was therefore impracticable to reach them. I was compelled to start in an opposite direction.

As it was quite dark in the tent, I picked up what I supposed to be my "raghan"—a waterproof light overcoat without sleeves. It was subsequently found to be my wife's, so very like my own as to be mistaken for it. As I started, my wife thoughtfully threw over my head and shoulders a shawl. I had gone perhaps fifteen or twenty yards when a trooper galloped up and or-dered me to halt and surrender, to which I gave a deflant answer, and dropping the shawl and raglan from my ulders advanced toward him. He leveled his carbine at me, but I expected if he fired he would miss me, and my intention was in that event to put my hand under his foot and tumble him off on the other side, spring into his saddle, and attempt to escape. My wife, who had been watching, when she saw the soldier aim his carbine at me, ran forward and threw her arms around me. Success depended upon instantaneous action, and recognizing that the opportunity had been lost I turned

husband's biography.

height, stood near the corner of fectly cut. A very little practice will years of age, and the youngest is Mr Twenty-seventh street and Second ave-nue, where I saw it consumed by fire in 1815. The tree, which grew from the the crude is not at hand. When pre-tree related at the entrance to Gates' pared as above make a moderately strong of his associates, and the next in point suds and apply with syringe or sponge. of lengthy service is Judge Kelley, of few years ago. It stood on the north-east corner of Third avenue and Twenty-in using on very delicate plants, should any fear be felt for the plants, they can Georgia, (exvice president of the Conany fear be felt for the plants, they can Georgia, (ex-vice president of the Conbe rinsed off after a few minutes. My federacy) is generally spoken of as the first and eminently successful use of this eldest member, but Mr. Waite was compound was some years since on a ushered into this vale of tears about one 1722.-Benson J. Lossing, in Harper's block of young cherry trees some fifty year ahead of him.-New York News. thousand in number. The black aphis

"came down like the wolf on the fold." Jefferson Davis' Account of His Capture. only "they came not as single spies, but Jefferson Davis, in his book, "The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Govinteresting question as to who was the which come for this purpose. proprietor of this particular block of

ridden into a neighboring village, re-turned and told me that he had heard would, at least have been compelled to the purpose of decorating a fireplaceattack the camp that night. This de- admit they had "nine points of the law" is wheels of tatting in Macrame thread. (possession) in their favor. I never saw put together in large points over red the like before. The trees were alive velvet. with aphis. The only scarce things on the trees were leaves, there being hard-ly enough to afford "standing room" for black satin with wild roses; crimson all the dusky guests. However, not being a convert to the doc rine of daisies and golden wheat; and bronze "squatter sovereignty," I declared war, satin covered with modern point lace. and failing to decrease the number by ordinary means I compounded soft soap T. S., in Gardener's Monthly.

# Recipes.

EGGLESS COOKIES. -Two cups sugar, one cup sweet milk, one cup butter, one-half teaspoonful soda. Flour enough to roll. Use vanilla, lemon or nutmeg for seasoning. They are very nice. EGGLESS CAKE .- One and one-half one teaspoonful soda, one-half teaspoonful cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful grated nutmeg, teacup of chopped raisins TILDEN CAKE .- One heaping coffee cup sugar ; one-half teacup butter, one and one-half teacups sour milk; one teaspoonful each of cinnamon, cloves

and nutmeg; one cup fruit; one tenspoonful soda. Stir in flour until it will just drop from the spoon. SALT RISING BREAD .- The earlier in

the morning it is set the better. A most convenient hour is 6 o'clock. Take one pint of water, one-half teaspoonful of salt and one teaspoonful of sugar; stir to the thickness of pancake bat-ter. The water used should be as warm as the hand can bear. Place the vessel containing this batter into water of the temperature of that first used, and let it stand for three hours. In that time a water will arise to the surface; then thicken with flour until the enjoyment, has often proved fatal. There is too little activity in the new batter is as thick as it was in the commencement. Let it stand three hours life, and too little of the pleasure of longer when it will again rise, making a activity. Idleness without the excitetotal standing of six hours. Then get ment and pleasure of work, becomes what flour you need for your baking, scald about one pint of it, and after it is decay. On the other hand, to the busy cool mix the rising together with warm worker rest and recreation have a water and mix to a stiffness to knead on double relish. No holiday is so reback, and the morning being damp and chilly, passed on to a fire beyond the tent. water and mix to a stiffness to knead on double relish. No holiday is so re-a warm board. A great deal of knead-ing is required. Place the dough in from his labors, and enjoys himself in your baking pan, set aside until it rises quite a different sense. If his life were Mrs. Bayard Taylor is to publish her to twice its original size and then bake a succession of holidays, it would soon in a quick oven. If you are successful, grow burdensome.

Art in Home Decoration. borders and are mounted on holders

Hanging lamp screens have plush orders and are mounted on holders which come for this purpose. of paper collars, and the fancy edges are composed entirely of the backs of porous plasters.—Newark Sunday Call. "A bed should look like a white trees-myself or the "bug Ethiopian." flower," says an authority, and recom-A disinterested observer of judicial turn mends quilted borders for shams and flower," says an authority, and recom-

> Among the new designs for embroidthemselves.

plush in water lilies; olive cloth with Spangles enter very largely into the decoration of table covers and lambrequins. They are generally introduced at the end of the long stitches in point run embroidery, where they are caught down with amber, crimson or steel beads.

Instead of ivory and pearl inlaid desks, rosewood or ebony boxes, there are rich satin and plush or velvet articlec ither ornamented with embossed figures, such as metal insects, birds, palms and animals, or with satin embossed subjects that are very effective. Decorations for halls are the new faience vass, imitating Japanese lacquer

and bronze. They are of a rich brown, like the metal, and ornamented with colored subjects of great minuteness and always Asiatic. The shades of floral decoration are rich and soft, being blended from dark grounds to bright brick, salmon, and sombre moss tints.

Benefit of Quick Work.

The rapid worker has not time to get disgusted with his work-it is out of varied, the pleasure in connection with its completion is varied too. Hence, perhaps, the reason why the total and sudden giving up of work is often attended with evil results. The transition from a life full of activity and rich in the enjoyment of successful labor, to a life of utter idleness, with no such vivid

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