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Household Hints.

BLACK WALNUT POLISH, -A QUARTER of a pint of raw linseed oil, one tablespoonful of muriatic acid, and a little vinegar,

To POLISH FLATIRONS - Becowax and salt will make your rusty flatirons as clean and smooth as glass. Tie a lump of beeswax in a rag, and keep it for that purpose. When the irons are hot, rub them first with the wax rag, then scour with a paper or cloth sprinkled with salt.

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To CLEAN FEATHERS .- Make a lather of curd sosp, boiling water and pearlash; when it is a little cool, wash the feather in it, gently squeezing it ; wash it again with less lather, and then rinse in cold water, shaking it well before the fire, but not too near. Ourl it by drawing each fiber over a blunt edge of a fruit knife. If the color is not good, use a littlo blue in the rinsing water.

How TO DO UP SHIRT BOSOMS .- Take two tablespoonsfull best starch, add a very little water to it, rub and stir with a spoon into a thick paste, carefully breaking all the lumps and particles. Add a pint of boiling water, stirring at the same time; boil half an hour, stirring occasionally to keep it from burning. Add a piece of "enamel" the size of a pea; if this is not at hand use a tablespoonful of gum arabic solution (made by pouring boiling water upon gum arabic and standing until clear and transparent); or a piece of clean mutton tallow half the size of a nutmeg, and a teaspoon of salt will do, but it is not as good. Strain the starch through a strainer, or piece of thin muslin. Have the shirt turned wrong side out ; dip the bosoms carefully in the starch and squeeze out, repeating the operation until the bosoms are thoroughly and " evenly saturated with the starch ; proceed to dry. Three hours before ironing dip the bosoms in clean water; wring out and roll up tightly. First iron the back by folding it lengthwise through the center : next iron the wristbands, and both sides of the sleeves ; hen the collar band; now place the bosom-board under the bosom, and with a dampened napkin rub the bosom from the top toward the bottom, and smoothing and arranging each plait neatly. With a smooth, | moderately-hot iron, begin at the top and iron downward, and continue the operation until the bosom is perfectly dry and shining, Remove the bosom board, and iron the front of the shirts. The bosoms and cuffs of shirts-indeed of all nice, fine work, will look cleaner and better if they are first ironed under a piece of thin old muslin. It takes off the first heat of the iron, and removes any lumps of starch.

A Discovery in Grape Culture,

A letter to the secretary of the Ohio

THE COW-FIGHT AT NIMES.

An Extraordinary French Diversion. Two of the gates of the old city still exist at Nimes, offering some fine marhere and there about the old city, and theater. It is slightly clliptical in form, and smaller than the amphitheater of 000 spectators, which is quite an army. Each division of seats-one for the spectacle of this sort in that place, which I'm perfectly innocent of the charge." marble were thronged with myriads I didn't get a fair opportunity for call-robed in purple and gold. There were ing witnesses."-St. Thomas Journal. about six thousand present on this occa-sion. More, probably, would have at-tended if it had been a regular bull-fight instead of a cow-fight which was offered

I saw there. It was advertised as a breed, and by no means to be despised; if their horns had not been bound in felt, more than one champion would have lost his life in the arena that afternoon. Between the horns a rosette was licked the dust that day. Several had their shirts torn off, and received very severe blows in the back, which doubtless earned for them plenty of cheap and wholesome advice when they got home. One was pinned against the wall between the cow's horns and had a very narrow escape, Sometimes there were nearly one hundred men in the arena at once, and this was one reason why none were killed outright, for as soon as one sportsman was knocked over all the others rushed in and diverted the attenwould finally get completely worried out and baffled from the constant rush of

The Whipping Post in Canaila. William Burt was sentenced to twenty

ashes of the cat-o'-nine tails and a term of one month's imprisonment. All having been made ready, the sheriff ble sculptures; but when one has been read the sentence of the court. Then he desired one of the turnkeys to keep seen all its antiquities, he returns again count of the strokes. "One," said the and again with growing interest to a turnkey, and the "cat" came whiszing contemplation of its magnificent amphi- down across Burt's back, leaving the trail of nine blood-red streaks from shoulder to shoulder. The strokes fol-Aries, and perhaps inferior to that in purity of style, but its situation makes administered with a biting sweep. At it, on the whole, more attractive and the twelfth stroke the lash descended cheerful, and it could once seat 25,- about two inches lower than the preceding ones. "Strike up," remonstratd Burt, and not another word did he patricians, another for the equitari, or utter until all was over. "Domino!" knights, and two upper tiers for the said he then. His back by this time plebeians-had its own vomitorium, or was raw and livid, but no blood had exit, with distinct corridors, and these been drawn, although the great wales are all yet in good preservation. So enormous is the strength and so massive is the construction of this edifice that when Charles Martel expelled the Sara-cens from it and filled the corridors you keep striking above?" "A pretty with wood, and tried to burn it down, good present this," be continued, " and he was unable to make any perceptible I have not deserved it either. I wish, impression. The arena is still used for sheriff, you would give Judge Hughes bull-fights on fete days. I witnessed a my compliments for this present, and spectacle of this sort in that place, we an in a remote way served to give me an idea of the grandeur of a gladiatorial day or a fight with wild beasts, in those jury believe you were guilty." "I am day, or a fight with wild beasts, in those jury believe you were guilty." "I am gone by times, when those vast tiers of innocent for all that," said Burt, " and

They Knew of Iron.

The latest discovery by Dr. Schliemann, at Troy, include one of some on the bills. But, if less exciting, there moment to the iron interest, as well as was nearly as much fun in the spectacle to scientific theory. The theory has been that stone, bronze and iron ages course libre," which meant that all succeeded each other regularly, and who chose could enter the arena and that, as Homer refers to iron as a rare join in the sport. The cows, if not as metal, and obtained with much difficulty dangerous as bulls, were of Spanish when he lived, it could hardly have been known in the many centuries previous to his age in which Troy flourished. That supposition has been partly corroborated by Dr. Schliemann's failure to find iron, or evidences of its use, in firmly bound, and the lucky fellow who Mycenze. But since he resumed in the could tear it off won a gold piece and ruins of Troy, a few weeks since, the lots of applause. Many a daring youth explorer has discovered an arrow-shaped and couble-edged steel dagger, perfectly preserved in wood ashes. It is, therefore, demonstrated that the people of Troy knew of iron and understood metallurgy, and that the iron age was projected far back of the period usually assigned to its commencement. The evolution theory is required to recalculate its periods and rearrange inferences somewhat by this discovery, and our iron makers will know that their specialty is older than most, and associated with the very infancy of that civtion of the poor infuriated brute, which ilization in which it has played so prominent a part.

out and baffled from the constant rush of one and another. Thus the largest num-ber of men in the arena served as a pro-tection rather than an increase of dan-ger. The prize was won three times in succession by one man—young, lithe, handsome, and apparently made of steel and India rubber. He had a genius for that sort of thing evidently; but I could not help thinking how like that was to few win ! The view of the galleries was scarcely less animated. On the shady side of the arena the throng was gathered from With a circulation enriched, a frame invigo-rated, and a nervone system tranquilized, the invalid, after a course of the Bitters, feels that his life-tenure is no longer the precarious thing that it was-that he may yet enjoy a "green old age.

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"The bag used is the common paper pasted bag used by the grocers, made of yellow Mauita paper, and six inches wide by nine inches long or deep, and fastened to the bunch by two or three pins. These bags (or most of them), if made of good quality of paper, will last for two years' use, as will the pine also be good for the second years' use, if of good quality.

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An Actress Who Slept in a Coffin.

Miss Mary Anderson, talking to a reporter of the Louisville Courier-Jour-nal the other day, said of Barah Bernhardt, that "She slept in a coffin continnously for three years. She does not do so now. I asked her why she gave up the habit. She said she had grown tired of it, as the coffin was uncomfortable. She said she wished to familiarize herself with the thought of death. I saw her boudoir. The carpet was of black velvet, with flowers in silver, the furniture covered with black velvet, and the walls curiously decorated in the same fashion. A skeleton of a man who she said had died of love in Mantua hung before the mirror, with a finger pointing at its own reflection. In large bowls about the room rose leaves were heaped, the fragrance that arose being overpowering. I could not remain in the room, it was so suggestive of horrible thoughts,"

the arena the throng was gathered from every class, from the English nobleman to the lowest canaille who could muster a few sous to pay for a back seat. Brilliant costumes and elegant toilets were not wanting to remind one of the scarlet togas and magnificent women of older, times. The voluptuous and almost imperial beauty of some of the fair dames of Nimes collected there in that hour was never surpassed in the brightest days of ancient Rome; and indeed it was Roman blood that gave to them a fiery and almost flerce splendor, such as may be rivaled but cannot be ranscended out of the south of France. There were also present some fine specimens of masculine beanty. The people of Languedoc and Provence, if less intellectual-looking than those of other parts of France, certainly present one of the noblest types of physical beauty the world has seen. Throughout this

multitude the most vivid interest in the game became more and more evident, stimulated somewhat, perhaps, by the absinthe, cau-de-vie and coffee which were industriously circulated by little. bare-headed Ganymedes, who attracted my attention by the way in which, waiter and glasses in hand, they walked and balanced themselves on the beveled edge of the wall in front of the lower

But the interest and excitement culminated during the receas between the icts, if one may so express it. The gate was unbarred, and a mob of boys and youths rashed in to participate in a cene which was evidently a customary part of the programme. For a few minutes they scattered about the arenu in search of coins which might have been missed by those to whom they had been thrown. Suddenly one of the spectators hurled a circular cake into seen. Men and boys rushed together in a perfect bedlam of confusion, each trying to seize the cake. It was torn into a hundred fragments in a mome "; and now there rained a hailstorm of copper and silver coins, bonbons, cakes, loaves of bread and fruit, thrown by the spectators, who were aroused to the last pitch of excitement and mirth, as the multitude of men and boys scrambled together in an inextricably tangled mass of electrified humanity, every atom yelling, howling, struggling, pulling, tearing, kicking, leaping, pounding and lurching with the energy of fighting demors, faces flushed, noses scratched and bloody, hair pulled and clotkes torn, and yet through it all entire good humor. Never in the roughest football

match that I have witnessed did I see anything to approach the raciness and roughness of this remarkable and bloodstirring spectacle in the arena of Nimes. -Harper's Monthly.

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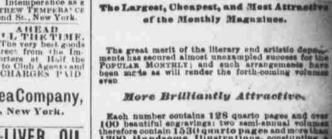
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