## FANCY PIGEONS.

### Something About Their Character and Value.

"Please tell me something about pigeons," said a reporter the other day to one of the most extensive dealers in those birds in the city.

"The varieties you see here are limited," he said, "as I keep only stock that is fancy in the strictest sense and therefore dear. Here are Jacobins, so called, I presume, from the peculiar shape of their head feather, which resembles the Phrygian cap; they are very beautiful birds and with the barbs, pouters and carriers bring high prices. I have known a pair of barbs to bring $300, and I myself have sold one for $140. They are dear because they are scarce and they are beautiful, the two things that give value to diamonds and very pretty women. Pouters are also very rare birds; they do not breed as fast as the ordinary pigeon, and are therefore in demand. Carriers are valuable because they are useful, and it is to me a matter of surprise that they are not utilized in this country more than they are. They are now raised and kept for the amusement of connoisseurs, and yet the time may come when it will be a matter of regret that the birds have been neglected."

"How do you make that out?"

"Well, you know they are useful in war for carrying dispatches when all other means of communication are in possession of the enemy. They were used by the confederates in the civil war, and extensively in France in the Franco-German war. Now the newspapers say our Navy is not worth much and our coast is comparatively defenceless. If this is true, what is to prevent a British or even a Turkish fleet taking possession of New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore and the force occupying them breaking up or possessing the railroad and telegraph lines centering in these cities? Answer me that."

"True, but what kind of a bird is this, the white and brown?"

"That is a tumbler. These birds also bring high prices. They love to fly high into the air, until they are almost lost to sight, and then, turning somersault after somersault, descend with great rapidity until they almost touch the ground."

"Why do they do that?"

"I really can't say. Pigeons are not communicative as a rule, but I presume it amuses them. There are different sorts of tumblers. Some make mighty efforts to perform a somersault, but can not accomplish it; they can only go half way, which is termed a 'fall,' and again others of them can do three-quarters which is 'tipping the head and tail.' That pretty milk-white bird is a nun, so called from her feathery hood, and he with the big craw is a pouter. Pouters grow to a large size. Oh, yes; pigeons breed very fast, almost as fast as rabbits, and if it were not for the fact that they have so many enemies would soon become a nuisance. The common run have young ones once every two months, and it is not unusual to see a pair feeding their 'squealers' while breaking their shell to assist a later progeny into this wicked world. I should say there are hundreds of thousands of them in New York, chiefly owned by Germans, who are great raisers and importers of pigeons and canaries. What we call fancy birds, however, are not good breeders; if they were they would be no longer fancy. Of course large numbers of pigeons are eaten. Most people like pigeon pie, and there are epicures among us who consume large numbers of pigeon's eggs, raw and cooked. The ladies say they are good for the complexion. Owing to this and the cause already stated—seeing that the average pigeon lives eight years—the birds do not increase as rapidly as they otherwise would if left undisturbed."

### Sleeplessness.

Sleeplessness, in probably nine cases out of ten, says a writer, is caused by continual mental strain or worry. The capillaries of the brain become stretched and lose their resiliency; they are unable therefore, to empty themselves of blood when the hour of rest comes round, and so wakefulness contines far into the night, until the body is fairly worn out and sinks into the lethargy of exhaustion. It will be well for people who suffer thus to at once take a holiday. You say you cannot; that business will not permit you. I doubt this very much. Would you really throw your life, or probably your reason, away for the sake of business? The question is one you ought to try to answer. But it is my privilege to tell you that, in the earlier stages of sleeplessness, a few weeks' stay at a bracing seaside place often acts like magic, people return home restored to health and calm—return home to positively wonder that the cares and worries that so bothered them could have been such bogies. Above all other remedies for sleeplessness I place change of air and change of scene, in conjunction with plain nutritious diet and a more natural way of living.

A YOUTH OF PROMISE.—"Willie," quoth the editor to his young son, "what are these books?"

"These, pa? Why, these are my account books—for my little paper, you know."

"Keep everything in busines like shape, do you?" asked the admiring father.

"Oh, yes."

The editor opened the books and began to examine them.

"Good Lord!" he exclaimed "These books are not account books, Willie."

"Yes they are, pa."

"Why, you must do an enormous business."

"Oh, not very big, pa."

"Why, my boy, your circulation alone will pay all your expenses, and your advertising—heavens! what big rates you get."

"Circulation! advertising!" cried Willie, springing to his father's side. "Oh, you've got the wrong books. Those are the ones I keep for the inspection of patrons."

And the father knew that his son would follow in his footsteps and be an honor to his profession.

OMAHA MAN—"So you were in that street car which was run into by a locomotive?"

Chicago Man—"Yes, I was one of about forty passengers."

"Were none of them hurt?"

"Not one."

"But it must have done some damage?"

"No, it did good—knocked all the icicles off our noses."

HUSBAND—"What are you reading, my dear?" Wife—"A long letter from mother." "Has she anything in particular to say?" "I don't know; I haven't got to the postscript yet."

"JOHNNY," said a Philadelphian mother, "I wish you wouldn't play with those Minnema children. Play with Mrs. Jones's little boys. I see their mother has a new wringer and I will probably want to borrow it next week."

YOUTHFUL astronomer to Chicago girl—"Have you ever seen Sirius, the dog star?"

Chicago girl—"No; does he play in 'Uncle Tom's Cabin?'"

GUS DE SMITH had been talking to Birdie McGinnis about a certain actor.

"Humph! I could play the lover better than that myself," he remarked.

"I'd like to see you try it," said Birdie.

## FARM NOTES.

A MUSLIN POULTRY-HOUSE FOR STORMY WEATHER.—Every poultryman knows the aversion shown by the fowls to the poultry-house in the daytime. They prefer being outside in the storm to being confined in a closed, dark place, but they are very partial to a shed, or any kind of well-lighted shelter. A cheap arrangement can be made for them, which may be movable, by using shingling lath (one by three inches) and unbleached muslin. To make a muslin house ten by ten feet, proceed as follows: A strip for the top, four for the bottom, and three for stripping, one foot from the ground, making eight strips, ten feet long each, or eighty feet. One strip for the top of the entrance in front, eight feet long and twelve strips six feet long, for the ends and roof, the total being about 160 feet of material, costing $1. A few boards on the front, with the same at the rear, completes all but the muslin, of which about twelve yards will be sufficient. Run the muslin from the bottom of the strip over the top and fasten to bottom strip on the other side. Have nothing but the boards on the ends, so as to strengthen the frame, and also that the fowls may pass out at either end. Sew the muslin together with a sewing machine, and use it either crosswise or up and down. Draw it tightly over the frame, and paint it with any kind of cheap paint; or oil may be used instead. The structure need not cost over $2.50, and it will afford excellent protection against the winds and rains, as there will be plenty of scratching room for an average flock. The muslin admits sufficient light, and is much better than glass for retaining warmth.

WARM STABLES.—We cannot too strongly urge upon our farmers the economy of warm stables in this climate. Besides the comfort to the stock it is a great saving in hay and other food. Cattle will not eat nearly so much fodder in a good warm stable as they will in a cold one. When wintered in a stable that is frost proof, with the usual allowance of feed, stock will come out in the spring in good condition. On the other hand, it matters not how much fodder and choice food may be given them it wintered out of a good warm shelter, for they are bound to come out in poor condition in the spring. A good man should be merciful to his beasts, and by keeping them in a good warm stable during our long winters he will have the satisfaction of knowing that his dumb brutes will be comfortable and that he is making money by administering to their comfort.

SMALL cows are sometimes thought desirable for family use. The small, rough Shetland cow is now proposed as a subject of importation and booming. This cow has no claims we should respect. It is a creature of untoward environments and hard fortune. It was born of sorrow and grief and reared in misery and starvation upon storm-swept rocks and moors where no tree can survive, and where the coarse heather is its bed and food, and the lee side of a rock its shelter. It is small; very small; thirty inches high or thereabouts; but where a goat can be kept this would make a better family cow than the Shetland. There is some poetry in this, but more truth. But we should not be surprised that it got an importation boom all the same.

SECRETARY SCHAFFER, of the Department of Agriculture of Iowa, in his annual report predicts that Iowa will yet make its own sugar from sorghum. Last year the acreage of sorghum in the state was estimated at 28,000 acres, yielding an average of eighty gallons of syrup to the acre, a total yield of 2,240 000 gallons, having a value of $1,120,000. In the future development of production he recommends the abandonment of the old crude method of working the crop on the farm, and that instead, suitable works, supplied all necessary machinery and appliances, be erected at convenient points to work up the crops raised by the farmer. This is unquestionably the true plan. Such product would as much excel in quality the ordinary farm-produced syrup as the best creamery butter does the ordinary dairy.

CUCUMBERS for pickling may be planted at any time in June, or even up to the 10th of July, if the land is strong and well manured. Some growers leave spaces among the early peas and potatoes in which the cucumber and squash seeds are planted. They thus become a second crop upon the same land, and the harvesting of the first leaves the land clean and well fitted for the second crop.

THE advantage of harrowing corn and young potatoes is that it can be performed so quickly. Twenty acres with a brisk walking team may be harrowed in a day, and it answers the purpose of cultivation when the use of a cultivator, not to mention a hoe, is not to be thought of. Between frequent rains, when it is impossible to do anything else, the harrow may be brought into use.

IF land be drained so that it can be plowed in the latter part of March the corn crop season is actually lengthened by one month over land that must wait till April, and the crop is certain to be matured. If the land be well drained the farmer will find the labor lessened, his prospects improved, and his anxiety regarding the shortness of the season diminishes.

ALTHOUGH a single hen may lay 300 eggs in a year occasionally, yet in a flock all the sick, overfed, immature and aged hens are included, the result being often less than 100 eggs per year from each hen, and the larger the flock the greater the risks, hence those who venture on keeping large numbers of hen should not expect too much.

IN setting out young trees the holes should be wide, in order to allow of the use of a liberal supply of well-rotted compost, and also for the reason that the roots will become thick and strong somewhat sooner than by using a narrow, deep hole.

THE Tyler is one of the earliest raspberries, while the Gregg is one of the latest. There are newer varieties, however, superior in flavor and size, but for market purposes they should be selected of varieties that ripen in succession.

FRENCH farmers make a specialty of combining together for the purchase of fertilizers. The practice is growing in some sections of this country, and is a step in the right direction, as it not only cheapens the cost, but does much to prevent imposition.

OLD GENTLEMAN (walking very carefully)—Hallo, bub! This fine snow sort of covers up the ice so you can't see it, doesn't it?"

Small Boy (holding on to the fence)—"You're right, old man, but you feel it just as much when you sit down."

HE meant well, but he didn't know about crush hats.—Mr. Montmorency (to his new valet)—"I don't want that one Prince; get the other."

Prince—"Fo' de Lawd, Marse Charles, dat one pusson's been a-settin' on de yuther, en I frowed it in de yash bar'l." The other was a fifteen-dollar opera hat.

## HOUSEHOLD.

TO many excellent housekeepers the mere idea of making a salad is fraught with a sort of terror. The business of baking bread, roasting and broiling meats and mixing cake seems a simple matter, but the suggestion of a salad appears to involve an amount of work and worry that render it an undertaking not to be attempted except upon great occasions and at long intervals.

Like many other occupations and experiences, the dread of the salad is caused by its unusualness. It is less trouble than even the average pastry, less uncertain than cake, and takes less time than a batch of bread. To the accustomed hand it is a simple affair and susceptible of endless variations. Even for a family tea it is easily prepared and almost invariably gives general satisfaction. It imparts an air of elegance to the plainest repast and costs no more than many less pretentious dainties.

While salads are especially delicious in their fresh crispness during the Spring and Summer months, they are a little delightful in Winter. The families who have their dinner at night and wish a substantial lunch at noon, or those who make their principal meal in the middle of the day, yet desire a "hearty tea" in the evening, will find in them a never-failing, always appetizing variety. There are few people who would not prefer a dish of salad once or twice a week to the inevitable cake which is often considered essential to the supper table.

MAYONNAISE DRESSING.—This much dreaded but really simple dressing once learned, the preparation of salads becomes a bagatelle. To be successful in the manufacture, however, care is essential, as in all nice cookery. For use in the family, one egg should be allowed for every person, and for each egg there should be a dessert teaspoonful of good salad oil. The best quality is the cheapest in the end, for the poor is generally so indifferent as to render the dressing almost uneatable. Free the yolks of the eggs from every particle of the white and prepare to beat them in a bowl set in a pan of snow or cracked ice. The dressing will thicken more readily if kept very cold. Drop into the yolks a drop of oil, beat it in thoroughly, add another drop and keep up the process for about ten minutes. After that increase the additions of oil to two or three drops at a time, and as the dressing thickens, to more. Thin with vinegar occasionally but never so much as to destroy the creamy quality, which is one marked characteristic of really fine mayonnaise dressing. Season to taste with salt and cayenne pepper at the last, and set aside in a cold place for an hour or two before using.

ANGEL CAKE (as made in London).—Take the whites of six fresh eggs and beat them to a froth; then add six ounces of best white powdered sugar and a teaspoonful of vanilla flavoring. Into this stir lightly four and one-half ounces of the finest white flour, which must be perfectly dry—in fact, it is much better warmed. Pour the whole at once into a tin (about half filling it), and instantly transfer to an oven with a good regular heat, neither too hot nor too cool. When baked, do not put in a cold place at once, but let it gradually cool.

LYONNAISE TRIPE.—About one pound of cooked tripe, cut into small pieces, two tablespoonfuls of butter, one of chopped onion, one of vinegar, salt, pepper; put the onion and butter in a frying pan and when the onion turns yellow, put in the tripe; cook five minutes; season with salt, pepper and vinegar.

MARLBOROUGH PIE.—Six tart apples, six ounces of sugar, six ounces of butter or thick cream, six eggs, the grated peel of one lemon and one-half the juice. Grate the apples, after paring and coring them; stir together the butter and sugar, as for cake; then add the other ingredients and bake in a rich under-paste only.

COCOANUT PUDDING.—One pound of sugar, half a pound of butter, half a pound of grated cocoanut, half a pint of cream, the juice of one lemon, a teaspoonful of extract of vanilla and eight eggs. Beat all together and bake; cover with meringue, over which sprinkle grated cocoanut. Eat without sauce.

POTATO CAKES FOR BREAKFAST.—Save from dinner a soup plate of mashed potatoes, add to it half a saltspoonful of pepper, the same of nutmeg, a little salt and the yelk of an egg; form into small cakes, put in a buttered baking pan, brush the top with the white of an egg and brown in a quick oven.

NICE CAKE.—One cupful of sugar mixed with two tablespoonfuls of butter; add one cupful of flour with one teaspoonful of baking powder, half a cupful of corn starch, half a cupful of milk and the whites of three eggs, flavoring with milk. Bake in a good oven.

FRIED HERRINGS.—Clean them and scale and dry in a towel. Take a piece of letter paper, rub a little hot or cold butter on it, fold a herring in it, salt and pepper it and broil. Eat with a little lemon-juice or make a sauce with butter and vinegar.

FIG PUDDING.—Six figs chopped fine after boiling them, three cups of bread crumbs, one-fourth pound of suet, one egg, one-fourth pound of sugar, one lemon (grate the rind), one nutmeg grated; boil three hours in a tin mold or bag.

A SEASONABLE DRINK.—The juice of a lemon mixed with four times as much water, unsugared and drunk just before bedtime, will do more to counteract malarial influences and correct a surplusage of bile than a dozen blue pills.

CRACKERS.—Rub four ounces of butter in one quart of flour, make it into a paste with rich milk, knead it well and roll as thin as paper; cut them out in a small saucer and bake quickly to look white when done.

TO EXTRACT INK FROM MAHOGANY.—Apply diluted sulphuric acid to the ink spot with a feather; let it lie for a few minutes and rub it off quickly, and repeat the operation if the stain is not quite removed.

BEEF CAKES.—Mince one pound of steak and add to it three chopped onions, pepper and salt and two beaten eggs. Form into small cakes, roll in cracker crumbs and fry in hot lard.

LITTLE DOT—"Mamma, Dick is kissing me."

Mamma—"I am glad he likes you so well, dear."

"But it isn't wight."

"Oh, it don't matter, pet; What makes you think it isn't right?"

"'Cause nurse told papa so."

"BOY," he said as he halted beside a boot-black who was eating a big turnip, "I'm afraid that's bad for you."

"Yes—yum—but you'd better put out all your sympathy on the turnip," was the reply, as he bit off another quarter section.

## HUMOROUS.

WHEN Ignorance is Goodness.—Strict Parson—"Ah, Mr. Crotchet, I am glad to see you have followed my instructions relative to never playing secular music in my church."

Mr. Crotchet (new organist)—"I have come, sir, to tender my resignation; my conscience will not allow me to become a purveyor of stolen goods."

"Eh! My gracious, what do you mean?"

"I mean that the new tunes which you insist that I shall play are stolen."

"Stolen! My! my! It can't be. What are they stolen from?"

"From operas."

DISAPPOINTED PATRON—"See here, sir, I thought you said your 'want' advertisements always brought in answers."

Business Manager—"Never knew them to fail."

"Well, I advertised for three days and did not get the ghost of a reply."

"Impossible. There must be some mistake about the address. What did you advertise for?"

"A lost umbrella."

LAYON MCDUFF (an actor)—"Hello, Wellington. How are you getting on?"

Wellington Fakir (another actor)—"Not very well, old man. I've been in hard lines lately, and have only been able to exist by capturing a sandwich from a free lunch counter and going out on Union Square to eat it."

McDuff—"Well, I suppose you call that a square meal."

Fakir—"Why do you mock a miserable man?"

THE other day two negroes were engaged to reshingle the roof of a cottage. The mistress of the house noticed that one of the negroes nailed shingles steadily while the other leaned against the fence in a languid way.

"And why don't you nail some shingles?" she asked.

"Ah, ma'am," replied the idler, "de brain work is de hardes' part."

And so it is.

SHE—"And do you love me, George?" He (a medical student)—"Yes, from my sixth left rib."

She—"Sir?"

He—"I mean, my dear, from the bottom of my heart."

Fight hard against a hasty temper. Anger will come, but resist it stoutly. A spark may set a house on fire.


### Increase of Heart Disease.

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D. J. Palmer, Union, N. Y., Nov. 10, 1886.

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Editor "Dundee Record," Dundee, N. Y., Dec. 7, 1886.

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*Bricks.*—Let us consider a very simple article, which most people would gladly deem worthy of notice as an invention, and yet which occupies a most important place in the history of the human race. I allude to bricks. Whoever first pressed clay into the form of a parallelogram, and dried it in the sun, was a genius. It looks simple enough now. One might say, "A child would think of that;" but many generations of men lived and died on the face of the globe without thinking of it. Consider the millions of millions of bricks composing our dwellings and factories and churches; think of the inestimable benefits conferred upon mankind by this simple invention, and of the load of gratitude due to the memory of the great discoverer. But again the question arises, Who was he? Where did he live and in what age of the world? Alas! There is no answer to these questions; silence covers up his history. Let us hope that he lived long enough after his invention to build himself a comfortable brick dwelling in which to end his useful life. May we not hope that in some other sphere he is reaping the reward of his inestimable gift to his fellow creatures. While he has passed away from the world—dust to dust, ashes to ashes—the benefits of his invention will continue as long as the world lasts, and all generations shall call him blessed.

*A new industry* has lately sprung up in Sweden, and promises to become a most important one. Oil for illuminating purposes is now manufactured in that country from the stumps and roots that remain in the forests after the timber has been cut. These are subjected to a process of dry distillation and beside wood-oil many other products are obtained, among which are turpentine, creosote, acetic acid, wood charcoal, tar oils, etc. This oil cannot be used in ordinary lamps, as containing a large proportion of carbon, it gives off a great deal of smoke during combustion. When mixed with benzine, however, it may be used in ordinary benzine lamps; but when burned alone a special lamp must be adopted. The trees that furnish the greatest amount of oil are the pine and fir. There are now about forty establishments engaged in this manufacture in Sweden.

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*A German engineer* named Henkels, has invented a ventilating window-pane which admits fresh air while preventing a draught. Each square meter of glass contains five thousand holes, which are of a conical shape, widening towards the inside. The new device has already been adopted by many of the German hospitals.

*It is suggested* by Dr. Wood that in ulcerated conditions of the bowels or stomach pepsin may enter the blood and cause septicemia. Dr. Chenery reports a case which he thinks confirms this view.

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