HUMOROUS.

FAMILY LAWYER.—I understand that you are a suitor for the hand of the daughter of my millionaire client?

Titled foreigner—Yes, monsieur, in part.

Family lawyer—In part? Explain yourself.

Titled foreigner (with a shrug)—Well, monsieur, to be frank wiz you, I shall expect ze cocketbook zat goes wiz ze hand.

YOUNG MAN (gazing dreamily at the candy case in fancy grocery store)—I—I wish to get something real nice for a—a young lady, but I hardly know what to select.

Grocer (briskly)—Very young?

Young Man—'Bout 17—still going to boarding school.

Grocer—Yes, sir. John! show this gentleman to the pickle counter.

A.—Jones did not recognize you when he passed just now.

B.—Well, you see his eyesight is bad.

I never heard that before.

Yes, he has become cold and indifferent since his eyesight was affected by a draft.

Yes, it was a sight draft. I drew it on him for some money he has been owing me for a long time. He never sees me now no matter how close I may be to him.

"YOU should visit the seashore, Mr. Blank," said a gushing young maiden to a crusty old lawyer, "and listen to the murmuring of the tide."

"I hear enough of that every day," grunted the lawyer.

"Where at?" queried the girl.

"In the divorce court," replied the wretch.

No imitations for him.—A little North Side boy, who was visiting a playmate the other evening, was invited to take a ride on the latter's rocking horse.

"I don't want to ride on that thing," he said, somewhat skornfully. "It's only a wooden horse. When I get to be a man I'm going to have one made of meat."

PHILOSOPHER (at the theatre)—It is most remarkable to me how that hero and heroine can act so vividly, like truly impassioned lovers.

Theatre Habitue—Off the stage those two are man and wife.

Philosopher—Yes, it's remarkable—very remarkable.

AT the New York hospital. Surgeon—"What brought you to this dreadful condition? Were you run over by a street car?"

Patient—"No, sir; I fainted, and was brought to by a member of the Society of First Aid to the Injured."

SEEING it in a new Light—"You ought to quit smoking cigarettes, De Sappy. It's injurious to your health."

"Aw!" (Puff! puff!)

"Yes; physicians say cigarettes paralyze the brain."

"Aw!" (Puff! puff!)

"Besides, the Prince of Wales has given them up."

"You—don't—say?" (Throws it away.)

"THERE is one solace left to me, at least," remarked the old farmer. "After all my boys leave and go up to the city, after the pigs and cattle die, and everything else forsakes me, there is at least one thing that will stick to the old farm."

"And that is—"

"The mortgage!"

MR. VENERABLE (who had not seen her for years)—How beautiful Mrs. Grayaire, you were in your youth.

Mrs. Grayaire (remembering his weakness)—And how idiotic you were. Then after looking at him a moment, "And you have not changed much."

GUEST (to head waiter)—Is your name Tide?

Waiter—No, sir.

Guest—Or Time?

Waiter—Not at all.

Guest—Well, it ought to be one of them. You wait on no man.

MINISTER (to tramp)—Tell me, now, haven't you stolen something recently?

Tramp—Yes, boss, I have.

Minister—Well, promise me now that you will live it back to the owners. What did you steal?

Tramp—A ride on a freight train.

THE COURT "What is your age, Madam?"

The Plaintiff—"Must I answer?"

The Court—"You must."

Plaintiff—"Why, Judge, I thought people didn't have to testify against themselves!"

SHE—Oh, horrors!

He—What is it, darling?

She—I forgot all about poor pussy, left in the house alone, and we off for a week. She'll starve.

He—Oh, I remembered her. I left a can of condensed milk on the kitchen table with a sardine opener beside it.

GABBY—Well, how do you find yourself?

Crusty—Don't have to find myself—I never get lost!

"I TELL you 'finis' is always at the end of the book; never in the middle or first part."

"I'll bet you a five you'll find it under 'F' in the dictionary."

A.—What is medicinal wine?

B.—I am not sure, but I think it is a sort of wine that makes the man who drinks it send for a doctor.

Earliest Form of Ladies' Headdress.

The earliest form of ladies' headdress is said to have been the overchief or head handkerchief. Then came the hood, universally worn during the Fourteenth century, a revival of the Anglo-Saxon head covering. The close fitting cap is said to have originated in decking the corners of the hood for the sake of comfort and convenience. Chambers observes that "the era of caps and hats is referred to the year 1449, the first seen in these parts of the world being at the entry of Charles VII in Rouen; from that time they began by little and little to take the place of hoods or chaperoons that had been used till then."—*New York Telegram.*

THE boundary line between the United States and Canada is not "imaginary," as most people suppose, says the *St. Louis Globe Democrat.* The fact is the line is distinctly marked from Lake Michigan to Alaska by cairns, iron pillars, earth mounds and timber clearings. There are 385 of these marks between the Lake of the Woods and the base of the Rocky Mountains. The British placed one post every two miles and the United States one between each British post. The posts are of cast-iron, and cast on their faces are the words "Convention of London, October 20, 1818." Where the line crosses lakes, mountains of stones have been built projecting eight feet above high-water mark. In forests the line is defined by selling trees for a space a rod wide.

MISS MAMIE D. PARSONS, of Fire Place, Long Island, N. Y., has received a silver medal from the United States Government for having saved from drowning a man and his child in the summer of 1888, when she was only ten years' old.

HOUSEHOLD.

BEEF STEAK PUDDING.—Make a paste of six ounces of chopped suet and three-quarters of a pound of flour; or the same weights of butter and flour; butter a pudding basin; line it with the paste. Cut up some rump steak, with a moderate proportion of the fat; season with pepper, salt, a little chopped onion and parsley; fill the lined pudding basin with this, add a little stock of water, cover with paste, tie it over with a buttered floured cloth; boil for three or four hours; serve with tomato sauce.

CHOCOLATE TARTS.—Put one-half cup milk and one-half cup water over the fire in a bright saucepan; add one cupful sugar, one teaspoonful butter, pinch of soda, one-half cake grated chocolate; then, when it boils add one-third cup of water, in which has been dissolved one tablespoonful of cornstarch; let the whole boil for a few moments and take from the stove; when cool add teaspoonful extract of vanilla. This will make about a dozen tarts. Line patty pans with good flaky pie crust and bake, when done put in this mixture, ice the tops, and let the frosting harden in the open air.

HICKORYNUT MACAROONS.—To hickorynuts pounded fine, add mixed ground allspice and nutmeg; make a frosting as for cakes; stir in the meats and spices, putting in enough only to make it convenient to handle; flour the hands, and make the mixture into balls about the size of a nutmeg; lay them on tins well buttered, giving room to spread; bake in a quick oven; use washed butter for greasing the tins; lard or salt butter gives an unpleasant taste.

A pretty little cushion for rear service can be made of the bottom of a tumbler and a piece of ribbon and lace. Any housekeeper can supply the broken tumbler. Make a cushion for the top of any pretty material, plush velvet or cashmere are very pretty, and edge it with wide lace, finishing with a heading of loops and ends of narrow ribbons of various colors, placed close together and fastened to the cushion with tiny gilt or silver pins.

SAVORY OMELET.—Have ready one pint of bread crumbs, a large handful of chopped parsley, a slice of onion minced fine, a teaspoonful of dried sweet marjoram. Beat two eggs very light, add a teacup of milk, pepper and salt to taste, and a heaping tablespoonful of butter. Mix all well together, and bake in a rather slow oven until slightly browned. It must be baked in a buttered dish, and turned out on a hot platter to serve. It must also be eaten hot.

CORN GEMS.—One-half a pint of finely-bolted corn meal, one-half pint flour, one tablespoonful white sugar, half a teaspoonful of salt and two heaping teaspoonfuls of baking-powder; mix together thoroughly while dry; then add two well beaten eggs and cold sweet milk, or milk and water, to make a moderately thin batter; bake in gem pans or muffin rings.

Chocolate Pie.—Chocolate pie may be made with the yolks of two eggs, three tablespoonfuls of corn starch, four tablespoonfuls of chocolate, six tablespoonfuls of sugar. Mix all together and stir into a pint of boiling water. Make the crust and bake it first. Beat the whites stiff, add pulverized sugar, and when the pie is done place the meringue on top and return it to the oven for a few minutes.

SLEEP is a restorative and a cure for overwork and nerve waste. For those who can neither go to bed early enough nor lie late enough in the morning, a daytime nap whenever it is needed is simply invaluable. It is a habit that anyone can acquire by practice, and for many it means salvation of nerves and even of life.

Lyonnaise Potatoes.—Twelve potatoes boiled till nearly done; when cold slice or cut into dice. Chop fine one onion. Put a tablespoonful of butter in the skillet; put in the onion and let it fry two minutes. Add the potato dice. Stir constantly and fry five minutes. Just before taking up add salt and pepper to taste.

CARROT PUDDING.—Mix one-half pound of grated carrot with one-half pound of flour, 6 ounces of finely chopped suet, 4 ounces currants, 4 ounces sultana raisins, 2 ounces sifted sugar and a tablespoonful of raisin wine or Marsala. Mix with water and boil three hours in a bar.

TOMATO SAUCE.—Tomatoes sliced, put them into a stewpan with a little butter, pepper, salt and a little sugar; melt them. Rub through a sieve, boil up, and improve the consistence with a little cornflour mixed in cold water.

STEWED TRIPE.—Take a pound of tripe and cut it into narrow strips, put it in a saucepan, and cover it with gravy stock; add about a third of a can of tomatoes, some chopped onion, a dash of olive oil, Worcestershire sauce and a whole red pepper, salt and pepper; stew gently until very tender and rich; serve.

FRIED POTATOES.—Put two slices of fat ham in a pan with half a sliced onion; when both are brown, remove them and put in the hot fat two cupfuls of cold boiled potatoes cut into small pieces; season with pepper and a little salt, and serve quite hot.

DEVILED SOFT CLAMS.—Chop fine two bunches of clams; season with pepper, salt, butter, parsley, green pepper and a little sausage meat; add enough cracker crumbs to thicken slightly, and bake in clam shells or small dishes in which they may be served.

THE pie crust of meat or chicken pies should always be perforated before baking, to allow the escape of noxious gases generated within.

CHOCOLATE icing can be and is better made with yolks of eggs instead of whites, making a softer icing and disposing of the yolks of the eggs.

KEEP the back, especially between the shoulder blades, well covered; also the chest well protected. In sleeping in a cold room establish the habit of breathing through the nose, and never with the mouth open.

POTATO CUSTARD.—One teacupful of boiled or baked potato mashed and pressed through a sieve, one teacupful of butter, same of sugar, three eggs well beaten. Cream potato and butter together, beat eggs and sugar together, mix and flavor to taste. Bake in a rich crust.

ON the last day of last year M. Ad. Wurtz called the attention of the Academy of Sciences, Paris, to a white rainbow (Ulloa Circle) witnessed at Courtenay on the morning of Nov. 28 by M. A. Cornu. This very rare phenomenon appeared under peculiar atmospheric conditions, and was of much shorter duration than the ordinary tinted arch.

Mother (returning to lunch table after a temporary absence)—"Why, where are the jumbles? Tommy (sternly) how many did you eat while I was out?"

Tommy (aged seven)—"I don't know, mamma. You told me it was very rude to count what was eaten at the table."

FARM NOTES.

A waste of labor causes a waste of crop, but this waste sometimes occurs in the beginning and not when the crop is harvested. If the labor that is expended over a large area be applied so as to concentrate the efforts on a smaller tract, upon which the manure can be advantageously applied and thorough cultivation be given, the expenses will be less and the yield greater. Staple crops, such as corn and wheat, do not always receive that preparation of the soil in the first place as should be given. The soil can be more thoroughly prepared for the reception of seed and the cultivator and harrow be used to better advantage when the area is limited to the proper amount of labor to be performed. It is costly to expend the energies in a manner that entails needless expense; and as the profit depends as much on the judicious application of labor as upon the prices obtained, labor becomes an important factor.

LEGHORNS FOR LATE HATCHING.—As the hen will not set until she is so inclined, it may happen with some that they will be unable to hatch out pullets early enough to have them mature by November. If such drawback occurs, advises a good authority, change the males in the yards and use Leghorn males in their places, as a cross of the Leghorn with the other breeds produces pullets that mature sufficiently early to allow of hatching them as late as May. The Leghorn is not a large bird, but it is a superior breed for laying, maturing when six months old, the pullets often beginning to lay before they are five months old.

HOW TO GROW STRAWBERRIES.—In an address before a Farmers' Institute, Mr. Geo. T. Powell remarked that one of the reasons why strawberries are so often a failure in the garden is because runners are taken from old bearing beds. Such plants are unproductive—have not vigor and are unprofitable; therefore set only runners from plants grown for that purpose, not from fruiting beds. Set in rows, one foot distant, three feet apart, leaving sufficient runners to fill up the rows and leave a narrow matted row of twelve inches. Plant such varieties as do well in your locality and on your soil.

OLD APPLE TREES.—The rotting out of the heart of many old apple trees is doubtless due to the cutting away of large limbs by ignorant tree butchers without giving the wounds any protection. A tree properly pruned during early life needs nothing severe afterward. Trees and children are much alike in some respects. The time to train both is in their early years.

The introduction of the bush lima bean is a valuable aid to the beangrower. The chief expense in growing lima beans is the poles, which require labor in staking and replacing when affected by winds. Those who have tried the bush beans claim that they are fully as prolific as the pole beans, as well as being equal to the latter in quality.

Early cabbages are not usually as hard and large as the later kinds. They are intended to afford a supply while waiting for the better varieties to come in. They are of but little value unless early. It is time to have the seed for early plants sowed in the hotbed, and the young plants should be set out as soon as possible.

The rapid growth of an animal when it is young will be an advantage to it later on in life. The greatest proportionate gain with animals is during the first year. If the young stock is kept in thrifty, growing condition the first two years the greater proportion of work required to secure a profit will have been performed.

Weeds will come up sooner than the crop. The damage from weeds is done early in the season, as they crowd out the young plants and appropriate the plant food. Much labor can be saved by working the plowed land over with a cultivator and harrow before planting if the weeds have made a start.

Some varieties of peaches will not thrive on sandy soil, while others do not thrive well on heavy soil. The early varieties do not seem to be as reliable as the later kinds. One of the hardiest and best varieties is Stump the World, which has been tested in New Jersey with satisfactory results.

In a series of experiments conducted by Professor Collier he found that for every dollar expended in food there was left in the solid and liquid manure 73 cents, which is just as valuable to the farmer as the original food procured, as it can be converted into salable products the next year.

Look over the seed corn. There is but little danger of any of it being frozen this season, but the best ears should be selected. By carefully selecting seed every year the yield of the corn crop can be gradually increased. No plants are more easily improved by selection than corn and wheat.

Dampness in the stables is not easily avoided. When the animals are outside, the windows and doors should be kept open to allow currents of air to flow through. As a rule many stables need more windows, in order to admit the rays of the sun, which serve to dry the interior. In summer the windows can be shaded.

The early vegetables are the real luxuries. To have them early the preparations must be made early. The garden plot should have been put in condition before now. Have the seed ready so as to plant as soon as the ground is warm enough and danger from frost is over. For late crops the ground should also be worked soon.

The *New Jersey Agriculturist*, a journal devoted largely to the interests of New Jersey, says that 2 cents per quart is paid to the producer of milk and 1 cent for transportation, while the consumer pays 8 cents per quart. In other words, the farmer receives only one-fourth the price paid by the consumer.

One orange grower of San Diego keeps trees from being plucked of ripe fruit by putting up placards: "These oranges have been poisoned."

If a hen will leave her nest when any one approaches she should not be used for setting purposes. She will generally prove an unsteady sitter and breaker of eggs.

The Niagara River Hydraulic Tunnel, Power, and Sewer Company will now, it is stated, carry out its plan for utilizing the fall of water at Niagara by building its main tunnel and connecting cross tunnels with wheel pits. The estimate of cost is $2,250,000. It is estimated that if thirty mills of 500 horse power each are built it would pay five per cent upon a capital of $3,000,000, while if all privileges were taken, the result would pay the interest upon a large block of bonds and a handsome return upon the stock. One of the best known banking houses in Wall street, New York, is deeply interested in this undertaking. The scheme is one of sound engineering and is thoroughly practicable.

HUMOROUS.

CHARGIT, '92—Can I have this put on my account here.

Mr. Tick—Very sorry, sir, but we don't know you."

Chargit (making a trial elsewhere)—Put this down for me, please. You know me, I believe.

Mr. Hungup—Most unfortunately, we do, sir. Sorry we can't accommodate you.

Mrs. Dusky—"Am dem de black stockings' you told me 'about buyin'?"

Miss Saffron—' Yes, dem is de ones, Cicely; an' dey only cos' 'seventy-five cents.'"

"Am dey silk?"

"Not 'zactly, but dey're jes' as good.'.

"An' will dey wash."

"Dat I don' know; I'se only had 'em fo weeks."

"Don't you think Mr. Anthracite a very unceremonious person?"

"Far as I know I should say he was."

"Never knew him to stand on ceremony, did you?"

"Certainly not. He's so busy standing on the scales while he's weighing his coal that he hasn't time to stand on anything else."

"Are you careful in the kitchen—and with the dishes?"

"I am, ma'am. It was thro' my care I lost my last place."

"That was strange."

"It was, ma'am, but you see my master was in the China delf business, and he said if all servants were as careful as I was his trade would be ruined. So he sent me off."

"I say, Sparkins! did you see in the paper to-day that the captain on the schooner Emma is to receive a medal for his heroic conduct in saving five lives?"

"Well, what of it? I've saved hundreds of lives and nobody ever gave me a medal."

"You? Impossible! How? When?"

"Why, I studied for a physician and then refused to practice."

"I THINK that's a very pretty piece of music," he remarked, self complacently, after he had thrummed away at the piano for fifteen minutes. "Which part do you like best?"

"The part you didn't play," replied the fair girl, and he went forth into the world, for he knew he hadn't the ghost of a chance there.

"Well, Mrs. Brown, how does your daughter get along on the piano?

"Law sakes, Mrs. Jones! You know I ain't no musician myself, but I did hear her teacher say only yesterday, 'Emma, my child, you're quite ten bars ahead!' so she must be makin' some progress, musn't she?"

Not in need of it.—Physician (reflectively)—"H'm! The case is one, I think, that will yield to a mild stimulant. Let me see your tongue, madam, if you please."

Husband of patient (hastily)—"Doctor, her tongue doesn't need any stimulating."

VISITOR (in artist's studio)—This large canvas you have covered with a black, smoky background and put in such a costly frame, I suppose is to be an elegant picture when finished?

Artist (haughtily)—That painting is completed, sir. It's a bird's eye view of Chicago.

DUDESON (who has fallen head foremost on a slippery sidewalk)—Help! Help! I believe I've knocked my bwains out.

Smiley (helping him to his feet)—Oh, is that all? I was afraid you were seriously hurt.

Little Edith—"Mamma, did you say that we should all know each other in Heaven?" Mamma—"Yes, my child." Little Edith—"You can play that you're out, though, can't you, mamma. When people call that you don't want to see?"

"Going to America, Pat?"

"Yis, sor; an' I've got to git there soon, too."

"Why so?"

"Me cousin in Chicago has had me nominated as alderman, an' I must lave Ireland in time to take me sate in the common council."

Shoe Dealer (to young widow, who is hauling over a pile of ladies' slippers)—Are you looking for number two, ma'am?

Young Widow (blushing)—Yes, sir. Are you an unmarried man?

"Mamma," said a little girl as they draggled along in the rain without an umbrella, "how old is General Greely?"

"Oh! enough to know better," smacked the mother as she thought of the fair weather predictions in the morning papers.

Miss Parsons—And so Adam was very happy. Now, Willie, can you tell me what great misfortune befell him? Willie—I lease, Miss Parsons, he got a wife.

The Lady Next Door.

Mrs. W. envied the lady next door because she always seemed so well and happy. "She enjoys life and I don't," said the discontented woman. "How I would like to change places with her!" At last she made the acquaintance of the object of her envy, and this is what the lady told her: "Happy? Of course I am, for I enjoy perfect health. My dear Mrs. W., your face tells me why you are not happy. You are suffering from functional derangements. I was a martyr to female weaknesses for years, but Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription cured me, and it will you if you will try it. It is *guaranteed* to give satisfaction in every case or price ($1.00) returned.

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He—Man, you know, was created only a little lower than the angels.

She—I wouldn't say that. It sounds so much like a reflection on the angels, you know.

THE Step-Mother's Reception. "Father: "Children, this is your new mamma."

Tommy. "Are you going to beat her, too?"

Pittsburg Dispatch: "Birds are very cheap now," said a dealer in ornithological specimens.

"Are they?"

"Yes; a gold eagle is only worth $10.

A LITERAL VERSION.—Clara's mother (calling)—Clara, Mr. Smitkers is in the parlor and says he wants you. Clara (entering parlor and throwing herself into Smither's arms)—Oh, Charlie, this is so sudden.

Knew the Sign: Clerk—"That was a fine looking old couple." Floorwalker—Newly married, too." Clerk—"How do you know?" Floorwalker—"He said 'we' want to look at some silks, instead of 'I' want."

A Few Pointers.

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Elephant Remains.

"There are so many strange things in Alaska," said the discoverer of the Muir glacier, in a recent interview, "that have not come to the knowledge of the public, that one who has seen them hesitates where to begin. Elephant remains are found all over the great valley of the Yukon. As a matter of fact they are found everywhere throughout the great western slope of Alaska.

Dana and Sir Charles Lyell startled the world by announcing that hairy frozen elephants were found wedged among the Siberian icebergs, but scarcely anybody knows that throughout Alaska are the remains of countless thousands of mastodons. You can dig them out and find them on the surface everywhere. So thick are the elephant remains that the native Indians, on finding them buried partially in the ground, decided they were some kind of great mole that burrows in the soil.

The collecting of elephant tusks every Summer is a regular business in Siberia just over Behring Sea. There are just as many of them on the Alaska side as there ever were in Siberia. Ages ago great herds of elephants roamed over these shores. Perhaps they existed down to a comparatively recent date, too, for the hairy bodies and well-preserved bones were evidence of that."

The amount of tobacco annually consumed in the United States is estimated by an apparently competent authority at 310,000,000 pounds. Seventy million pounds are utilized in the production of domestic cigars, 222,000,000 pounds of chewing and smoking tobacco are consumed; 8,000,000 pounds are used in the manufacture of snuff; 6,000,000 pounds are required in the production of cigarettes; and 4,000,000 pounds of cigars are imported. This would make an average annual consumption of five pounds for every person in the country. But as not more than one-fifth of our population use tobacco, it follows that those who do, consume, on an average, twenty-five pounds each, per annum. Opinions differ as to whether this article should be designated a luxury or a necessity. In speaking of the cost of the tobacco habit, an exchange says:

If the tobacco users of the United States would abstain for a period of two years from the chewing, smoking, and snuff-taking habit, and place the money they would spend for tobacco in that period in a common fund, there would be enough money in the fund to almost wipe out the entire national debt, and five years abstaining would give the head of each family in the United States enough money to invest in an eighty acre homestead farm in the far Western States and Territories; or it would give us a navy of fifty first-class war vessels, fully equipped, and create a fund that would maintain them and the Navy Department for a period of at least twenty-five years.

It can thus be seen what is the magnitude of the tobacco trade of the United States, and what a multitude of devotees are willing to pay annually for a habit which gives them so much consolation and comfort, if nothing else.

At a recent meeting of the French Academy of Medicine, Professor Dujardin-Beaumetz stated that he had received from M. Valude, of Vierzon, a paper relating to a new specific for the fever and other symptoms of paludism. This medicament consists of the bark of the pambotano, which is a leguminous tree (suborder Mimosæ) of Mexico, isolated plants being cultivated in some parts of Europe. M. Villejean has just studied the bark, and found fatty matters, tannin, etc., but no alkaloid or glucoside. M. Valude administered pambotano bark to his patients in form of an alcoholic tincture, and also gave a preparation made by maceration. He preferred the latter, which he made by putting 70 gr. of bruised bark into a quart of water and boiling down to a pint, this being the quantity to be taken in twenty-four hours. In the eight paludic cases described by M. Valude a single dose, or, at most, two doses, caused the disappearance of well-defined tertian fevers.

Two new colors are described in various recent technical journals. The first is apparently a reproduction of color known to the ancients, and made by them with sand and lime, heated with roasted copper. The pigment, on analysis, appears a compound of silicate of lime and copper. It is now made with exact proportions of the materials, so that the product is uniform. The color is bright greenish blue. The other color is black, which has been made by treating camphor with sulphuric acid. By steeping camphor in strong sulphuric acid a jelly-like mass is formed of a reddish color. When this is heated it boils, giving off fumes of sulphuric acid, and turns intensely black. By evaporation the unconverted excess of acid and camphor is driven off and a black mass remains which seems to have the qualities of India ink. Like India ink, it can be apparently dissolved in water, and remains suspended for a long time.

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