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farm and Household.

American Sumac.

The demand for American sumac, says the Shoe and Leather Reporter, has increased largely of late years among morocco manufacturers and dyers, and many improvements have been made in its preparation. The quality of the native article has arrived at great perfection, and mills for grinding have sprung up through the Southern and Middle States. It has not been a profitable business for the last three years, having suffered from the depression incident to all branches of trade. Sumac grows all over the United States, but that best suited for tanning and dyeing purposes grows spontaneously in a belt of country running from Maryland down through Virginia and the Carolinas, thence through the northern sections of Georgia, Alabama, and Mis-Bissippi, and in portions of Kentucky and Tennessee. The northern climate seems too.cold to develope the tanning properties of this plant, but large quantities of Pennsylvania and New York sumac are sold in the leaf to tanners of goat skins, who put it in the vats to strengthen up and keep the sewed skins from leaking, and it is also used by many tanners who wish to brighten the color of their leather.

The Indian name of sumac is kilikinick; they use it, and it is still used, to mix with tobacco for smoking purposes.

Virginia stands at the head of all the States in producing sumac, and owing to the care taken here in selecting and grinding, its quality is unsurpassed .-The towns famous for the sumac trade are Lynchburg, Richmond, Fredericksburg, Alexandria and Winchester.

The season for picking sumac commences with the first of July, and ends the last of September, or with the first frost, for this turns the leaf red, and then it is worthless. The stems, except the leaf stems, have no strength and should not be gathered. They are full of pith, and if ground they only absorb the strength of the leaf and depreciate the value of the article. Sumac should be gathered in this way, viz: Break off the parts of the bush containing the leaves. but do not gather the blossoms or berries. Some sumac gatherers allow the leaves to wilt a few hours in the sun while others convey them immediately into the shade or under cover. Cure it under shelter to preserve its color and strength; when it is dry, put it in bulk, and when dry and windy days set in, spread it out in beds as you would wheat or oats on a clean plank floor. Then threshit with a flail, when the leaves and stems will break up fine, and rake out the large stems and throw them away. In drying before threshing, it should be frequently thrown over with a pitchfork to let the air get to every part of it. Remember to take out all the sticks, stems, and berries. The strength is in the leaf and leaf stems.

The grinders of sumac are obliged to have ample storage room, as they purchase their supply for a year's grinding in the morths of July, August, and September. Care must be taken to have it thoroughly dry before packing, to avoid spontaneous combustion. Good ventilation should always be secured after it is

Ink for Horticultural Labels.

There is so much inquiry lately for ink for writing on zinc labels, that a good receipt for such an article may benefit some one. It is an old one, and has probably appeared in your columns long ago, but it is worth repeating. It is as follows: Powdered verdigris, 2 parts; sai ammoniac, 2 parts; lampblack, 1 part; water 20 parts. A quill pen will be necessary, as it will corrode a stoel pen very quickly. Any druggist will put up a small quantity of this, mixture for a few cents, as all the ingredients are inexpensive. Labels writen with this ink, and bearing the date of 1856, can be seen in the orchard of one of my neighbors, as legible as the day they were written. This is proof enough of the value of the ink. Zinc labels are now advertised for sale, but any one can make them with the aid of a pair of tinner's shears—a tool that every farmer should possess. From a strip of zinc four inches in width, cut off labels half an inch broad at one end, and tapering to a point at the other. By cutting the broad end of the label at each edge alternately of the zinc strip, nothing is wasted and each cut gives a label. The name and date (and the latter should never be omitted) and written on the broad end of the label, and the other end twisted loosely around a twig of the tree to be marked. This is some trouble, but not too much when the work is to last a lifetime.—Country Gentleman.

and bad labor, bad seasons, and disease among cattle, I found at the end that I was £600 poorer than when I commenc-

The Young Folks.

The Minuet.

Grandma told me all about it, Told me, so I couldn't doubt it, How she danced—my grandma danced!

Long ago. How she held her pretty head, How her dainty skirt she spread, How she turned her little toes-Smiling little human rose!— Long ago.

Grandma's bair was bright and sunny Dimpled cheeks, too-an, how funny! Really quite a pretty girl.

Long ago. Bless her! why, she wears a cap, Grandma does, and takes a nap Every single day; and yet Grandma danced the minuet Long ago.

Now she sits there, rocking, rocking, Always knitting Grandpa's stocking-(Every girl was taught to knit, Long ago.)

Yet her figure is so neat And her ways so staid and sweet. I can almost see her now, Bending to her partner's bow. Long ago.

Grandma says our modern jumping, Hopping, rushing, whirling, bumping, Would have shocked the gentle folk Long ago.

No-they moved with stately grace, Everything in proper place, Gliding slowly forward then Slowly courteseying back again, Long ago.

Modern ways are quite alarming, Grandma says: but boys were charming-Girls and boys, I mean of course-

Long ago. Bravely modest; grandly shy-What if all of us would try Just to feel like those who met In the graceful minuet Long ago?

With the minuet in fashion, Who could fly into a passion? All would wear the calm they wore Long ago.
In time to come, if I perchance, Should tell my grandchild of our dance, I should really like to say, 'We did it, dear, in some such way,

Long ago." -St. Nicholas.

Easter in England.

Of Easter Monday rites various curious relics still linger. One, called "clipping the church," is performed by children of the charity schools, amid crowds of people and shouts of joy. They place their backs against the outside of the church, and join hands till the circle is complete and the building surrounded, when the ceremony is over, and they go to another church.

Another custom in Durham, is for men to go about the streets and take off a shoe from every woman they meet, unless they will pay a small fee to prevent it. The next day, as is but fair, the women retort by doing the same to men.

In some parts a still more indiculous custom is found, "heaping" or "lifting." On Easter Monday the men "lift" women, and on Tuesday the women are the lifters. It is done thus: two strong men cross hands in the way we used to call "making a chair," in my school-days, or James Fuller they carry a chair lined with white, and C Bennett T H Davis decorated with flowers and ribbons. On Mitchell & Curtis p m 4 meeting a woman in the street, they invite her to take a seat, and, in fact insist upon it. They then lift her into the air three times, when she must kiss each of her lifters, and give them money besides. In the time of Edward I. this custom was so general that even the king was "lifted."

In Kent, the young people on Easter Monday "go a pudding-pieing." That is, go to public-houses to eat pudding-pie, a dish about the size of a saucer, with Thomas & Morgan Allen & Patterson I

raised paste rim, and custard inside. And everywhere, and all the time, are eggs, eggs, eggs; boiled and colored; striped and mottled, and gilded; ornamented with names, or mottoes, or pictures. Common ones are variously adorned with designs drawn with a bit of tallow, which keeps the dye from taking on those parts. A better kind of decoration is to scratch the design with a sharp knife on an egg after it is dyed; landscapes, mottoes, etc., can be made very

A common game—which, perhaps, you know-is played with Easter eggs. owner of a hard-boiled Easter egg challenges any one to strike eggs with him. If his egg breaks the other, it is called "the cock of one," and its owner has the Munson Knight the broken one as a trophy. When it has broken two, it is "cock of two," and so on. If an egg which is cock of one or more is broken, the conqueror adds the number of trophies won by the vic-

tim to his own score. The custom of making presents of eggs is said to be Persian, and to bear allusion to the "mundane egg," from which the world was fabled by certain natious to have been derived. It is a custom among Jews, Egyptians, and Hindoos, and was adopted by Christians to sym-

bolize the Resurrection. This feast of eggs, therefore, very properly occurs at Easter.—Olive Thorne, St. Nicholas for April.

Children must have love inside the Before leaving England, some ten years ago, I held for a length of time a farm under one of the greatest of English house and fresh air, and good play, and under one of the greatest of English stunted, or, at best, prematurely old and Saturday, the 7th day of April, 1877, landlords; but what with high rent, dear turned inward on itself.

At 10 o'clock a. m., the following described piece or narcel of land situate in said township, and county.

Travelers tell a great many strange stories. I heard one telling, not long ago, ed; so I cleared out and came West, of a fire in Persia that had been kept steadwhere I have been farming nine years, ily burning by the Fire-worshipers tor and where, with less capital than I com- over three thousand years, without being menced with in Eugland, I have made allowed to go out during all that time. some \$20,000 entirely from farming. St. Nicholas.

Legal.

MERCANTILE APPRAISEMENTS.
DEALBRS IN MERCHANDISE, &C., in Susquehanna County, take notice, that, in pursuance of the several Acts o' Assembly of this Commonwealth to provide revenue to meet the demands upon the Treasury and for ohier purposes, the undersigned Appraiser of Morcantile taxes for said County, has prepared a list of traders in said County, and placed each in that class which to him appears just and right, to

AUBURN. A F Lacey
Carter & Place
Tewksbury & Son p m 4

14

Black & Clearwater p m 3

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Grow Brothers p m 4

14

14

16

Grow Brothers p m 4 Black & Clearwater p J C Decker p m 4 E A Lott E L Adams P C Bushnell Wm Miller p m Silas Hartley O D Roberts G W Mapes

ARABAT. LATHRCP. J E Paire F A Jeffers BROOKLYN. Hall Brothers 18 J S Wright G P Tiffany 14 k M Tiffany 10 G W Reese p m 3 14 Jeffers & Blakeslee p Kent & Eldridge Kent & Edringe
O M Dolaway
R F Ashley
J B Very
Perry Sweet
D C & F H Fordham
Tiffany & Cramer 14 N M Finn

LITTLE MEADOWS. 14 E H Beardslee BRIDGEWATER. 14 Patrick White Wm Corah Perry Marcy II T Lake J R DeWitt J R Raynsford

MILDLETOWN.

MONTROSE.

14 W Hewitt

14 W Hewitt
14 W J Turrell
14 Weeks, Melhuish &
Philip Hahn
M E Hill
13 B Thatcher
13 J F Zerlass

W H Boyd & Co C N Stoddard C G Miner

14 [N Bullard p m 4

14 W.B Deans Griffls & Sayre M.A. Lyon p in 8 13 C. O. Fordham 14 J.S. Talbot

Read & Stroud

E P Stamp Guttenberg, Rosenbaum

H W Decker M M Williams p m 4

Hayden & Clements H Garratt & Son

H & W T Dickerman
Leroy & Decker
Pierce Barnes
D W Hagar

11 J S Hillis

John Donley

G L Adams

& Co H P Doran

Lewis Freeman

Doolittle Bros

G M Doolittle Thomas McDonald Edward Vanaken

E Caritale

Osborn Newman

C A Miller M J Pendergast

W H Birdsall W H Strachen

18 W J Falkenbury 14 J G & S W Smith

P H Furey

12 Micbael Williams

12 A B Tarbox

12 Robert Wallace

14 J G Drake

14 E Vanakon 2 Billiard

SPRINGVILLE.

SILVER LAKE.

THOMSON.

W & F Inderlied pm 4

14 Minot Riley 14 Hungerford & Messrole 14 Smith & Son

Tables Mrs E McGrath

12 Wm Baull 12 Thomas Kelley 13 Smith & Sheapp

OT Spencer

10 T Sullivan

A C Hugios

14 MD Mattoon

14 John O'Brien & Son

4 James Taylor

14 The Fernan

14 J Allen Dooley Bros.

W B Cook

11 D Casey 14 F B Thayre

A C Vangorder Coleman & Swallow

Mrs Manamin

NEW MILFORD TOWNSHIP.

Benjamin Sabins p m 4 12

OAKLAND.

SUSQUEHANNA DEPOT

Guttenberg, Rosenbaum

NEW MILFORD BORO.

J F Bronson

A B Burns p m 3 F H Stevens

RC Bacon

CLIFFORD T J Wells H W Johnson p m 4 14 B R Lyons & Co 14 H J Webb 14 F B Chandler 14 Lyons & Drake H W Johnson H W Johnson M A Gardner B C Sayre A N Bullard J N Baker Halstead & Finn 14 E Warner 2 Billiard Tables \$40 O D Sebbins Weatherby & Burdick G G Wells DIMOCK. 14 W W Smith & Son 14 W E Babcock

Stevens & Leebody A H Moody Hiram Biakesiee Hiram Titus G W Strupler DUNDAFF. Isaac E Davis p m 4 A Richardson E P Chambers

POREST LAKE. B T Glidden BR Lyons & Co M L Ball FRIENDSVILLE. Robert Winters

F Keenan

Wm Buffum p m 4
Mrs M McNamara
John H Matthews John O'Donnell FRANKLIN Joshua Boyd J S Merriman Smith Brosp m 4

GREAT BEND VILLAGE. 13 William Hayden J B McCreary, Jr Lewis & Langley S D Ross & Co 14 H Burritt p m 4
14 J H Bartle 1 Table \$30
14 J Dickerman p m 4 TJ& HD Barnes JB Brown Mrs CJ Clifford

GREAT BEND BOROUGH. Thomas Cusack PH Lines T D Estabrook & Son p m 4. George L Lenheim Belden Brothers 11 F D Munson

W. A Colsten M A Paintsin D C Brunson H V Colsten & Co Ferguson & Skinner D O Hollon p m 4
Sackett & Depue Billiard
Tables
\$30 P Sullivan P Winters

14 G L Adams
14 F D Lyons
0 J H Archer
15 C Kane
14 Mrs McDonald
14 H C Lee p m 8
13 James Bell & Son Stephen Kistler Preston Brothers GREAT BEND TOWNSHIP. 13 W H Laugford 14 D A Lyons J C Cook HA&ST Clark Williams Brothers

Brant, Lang & Co J B Stephens James Connelly Ward & Co

James A Munyon L Curtis T Tiffany p m 4 Fowler Peck

Oliver Payne T J Carr H Watterman J W & E Granger J H Rosencrans p m 4

W W & S B McCain p TS Wheatcroft JACKSON.

H W Benson Wm D Eymer R T Handrick

W W Messenger G Lewis George A Stoddard 12 A H Crosier & Co 14A Shyer Classification of Venders of Merchandise Sales less than \$5,000 class 14 Sales \$ 5,000, less than \$10,000, class 18 Sales \$10,000, less than \$15,000, class 19 Sales \$15,000, less than \$20,000, class 11 Sales \$20,000, less than \$30,000, class 10 Sales \$30,000, less than \$40,000, class 9 Sales \$40,000, less than \$50,000, class 8

Classification of Patent Medicine Dealers Sales \$100, and not exceeding \$ 250. class 4
Sales \$250, and not exceeding \$ 500, class 3
Salez \$500 and not exceeding \$1,000, class 2

And the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said county will hold a Court of Appeal at the Court House in Montrose, in and for said county, on Thursday, April 26, 1877, at which time and place any of the Merchants described, defined and classed as aforesaid, or their agents or attorneys, may appear and appeal from said assessment if they think proper. A. GRAVES, JR., Mercantile Appraiser.

March 14, 1877.

SSIGNEE'S SALE

OF REAL ESTATE.

At 10 o'clock a. m., the following described piece or pascel of land situate in said township and county, Pennsylvania, the estate of N. W. Eastman, assigned to me in trust for the benefit of creditors. Beginning on the south side of the highway leading from the turnpike to the salt works on the west line of lands of Benj. Merritt, thence west along said highway 8 rods thence couth parallel with said highway 7 rods to said Merritt's west line, thence north on said Merritt's west line to the place of beginning, containing % acre of land more o less, all improved.

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