

HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

CEMENT FOR CHINA.
The following cement for mending china and glass has been recommended as perfectly efficacious for resisting the combined effects of fire and water. Take any quantity of lime recently prepared from calcined oyster shells and mix it to the consistency of paste with white of egg. Lay it immediately upon the fissure, where it will at once consolidate to the hardness of stone. If suffered to get quite dry while being used it becomes quite insoluble even by strong acid.—*Detroit Free Press.*

TRYING OUT LARD IN THE HOUSE.

I attend to frying out the lard myself and do the most of the work, writes Mrs. W. S. Coun. I lay the leaf and fat pieces in a cool place for a day or two, and if it freezes I like it all the better, for it seems to take some of the water out of it. I first cut out all the lean possible to lessen the quantity of scraps, and then cut the fat into small bits and put it into two iron pots on the stove over a dull fire. As the lard is melted out the fat pieces settle down, and when they are pretty well browned into scraps I dip some of the melted lard out of one of the pots into the other and with a skimmer lift the scraps out of that pot into the first, so as to have them nearly all in one, until they are thoroughly cooked. I then put them into a coarse linen bag and squeeze all the fat I can out of them. If there is a cheese press that can be brought into the kitchen, it may be used for that purpose, but squeezers that will do very well can be made from two smooth pieces of boards two feet long and three inches wide, hinged with a strap of leather at one end, and shaped into handles at the other, so that a bag containing scraps can be squeezed between them with the hands. This is hard work, but if they are kept hot a good deal of grease will run out of them. The lard must then be strained to take all the floating particles out of it, and it is quite well to heat it slowly again until sure the water has all been evaporated. Lard should never be dipped out and put away to keep while the melting is going on, and before the scraps have become crisp and very brown.—*New York World.*

CREAM SOUPS.

Cream soups may be made without meat, states Mrs. E. R. Parker, in the *Courier-Journal*, and are much more delicate than other soups, and as they furnish a variety for the table at this season of the year, housekeepers will find them acceptable to the family.

Cream of Rice Soup—Wash half a cupful of rice, put in a kettle and pour over a quart of white soup stock, with a stalk of celery, half a small onion. Let simmer slowly two hours, press it through a sieve, return to kettle, add a tablespoonful of butter and a quart of milk with salt and pepper to season; stir until it comes to a boil and serve.

Cream of Salsify Soup—Scrape a dozen roots of salsify, cut in slices, cover with boiling water and boil slowly one hour, or until tender, add a quart of milk and boil slowly one hour, thicken with an ounce of butter rolled in flour, add a blade of mace, half a dozen allspice and two or three cloves; stir until it boils. Season with pepper and salt and serve.

Cream of Corn Soup—Open a can of corn. Put in a kettle and add a pint of white stock; let simmer twenty minutes and press through a sieve. Rub a tablespoonful of butter and flour together, add to the soup and stir until thick, add to the boiling soup a pint of milk, take from the fire and stir in the beaten yolks of two eggs. Season with salt and pepper, and serve.

Cream of Celery Soup—Wash three roots of celery, and cut in small pieces; cover with water and boil thirty minutes; then press through a colander. Put a quart of milk on to boil, add the water to the celery, with one small onion. Rub a tablespoonful of flour and butter each together, and stir in the boiling soup, and stir until it thickens. Season with salt and pepper, and serve.

Cream of Tomato Soup—Put a pint of canned tomatoes on to stew with a sprig of parsley and a blade of mace and let stew fifteen minutes. Put a quart of milk on to boil. Rub butter and flour together and add to the milk, stirring until thick. Strain the tomatoes through a sieve, add half a teaspoonful of soda and a teaspoonful of sugar and stir in the boiling milk. Break a dozen crackers in the soup tureen and pour the soup over.

Cream of Cheese Soup—Put a quart of milk into a saucepan with a sliced carrot, one sliced onion and a blade of mace. Rub two tablespoonfuls each of butter and flour together. Strain the soup, thicken with butter and flour and stir until it boils, then add three tablespoonfuls of grated cheese and take from the fire, add the beaten yolks of two eggs, with salt and pepper. Serve.

Cream of Potato Soup—Put three good, sound potatoes on to boil in a quart of cold water. Let cook fifteen minutes, drain off the water and pour over fresh boiling water; add a slice of a small onion, a sprig of parsley and a stalk of celery and boil until the potatoes are done. Put a quart of milk on to boil, press the potatoes through a sieve. Thicken with butter and flour, and stir; pour over the potatoes, and serve immediately.

Cream of Asparagus Soup—Wash a bunch of asparagus, or open a quart can of it, and put it in a saucepan of boiling water; let simmer gently for half an hour. Take it from the water, cut off the tops and put aside. Put a quart of milk on to boil; press the asparagus stalks through a colander, and add to the milk. Rub an ounce of butter and two tablespoonfuls of flour together, and stir in; let thicken; put in the asparagus tops; season with salt and pepper, and serve.

The scheme for a duplicate of the Eiffel Tower in London, England, has been abandoned.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

A gun machine measures 1-1000 of an inch. London, England, has an underground electric road.

Cold weather increases a locomotive's consumption of coal. It is thought that telephones tend to bring on deafness when one ear is used to the exclusion of the other.

The great majority of cases of deafness are hereditary, and due to the too close consanguinity of the parents.

The business men of Galveston, Texas, have organized a stock company for the establishment of the ramie industry in that State.

The London (England) General Post-office was saved \$8000 last year in the sick-leave account by the substitution of electricity for other means of lighting its buildings.

Celluloid in solution is now being extensively used as a lacquer for all kinds of fine metal work and as a wood varnish with results that are said to be superior to the old methods.

Add carbon to pure iron and it becomes steel. Add hydro-carbon to iron, and steel itself becomes so extensively modified that its properties are not recognizable. Thus steel may be as soft as pure iron.

The following is recommended as a sure way of finding where a crack in a piece of metal ends: Moisten the surface with petroleum, then wipe it, and then immediately rub it with chalk. The oil that has penetrated into the crack exudes, and thus indicates where the crack ends.

An electric balance has been devised, in which the placing in the pan of the object to be weighed closes an electric circuit; and a motor carries the weight out on the beam until the equipoise is established, breaking the circuit. With the emptying of the pan the weight returns.

Gum arabic, which was once universally used, has become very scarce and dear, and a substitute for it is being made from starch, which is subjected under pressure and at a high temperature to the action of sulphuric acid. The product, after neutralization, is soluble and extremely adhesive.

The Queer Costa Rica Dogs.

The Costa Rica Indian dogs are peculiar from the fact that they can't bark naturally. These dogs are big, slouching, light-colored beasts and are evidently related to the coyotes, although as puppies these dogs soon learn to imitate the bark of other dogs, which are kept to teach them to bark, the same as one canary bird teaches another to sing, while the coyote domesticated never learns to bark until the third generation. These Costa Rican dogs would be of little service as watch dogs, even if they were wanted for that purpose, but it would go hard with anyone who intruded on premises where these silent brutes run at large. Without warning he would be pounced upon immediately and torn to pieces. But these dogs are not kept for household protection, for few of their owners have much of a household to protect. They are used chiefly for hunting the puma and jaguar, the two ferce and destructive members of the tiger family, which are so numerous in the mountains and the reedy plains of Central America and especially in the southern province of Costa Rica.—*Forest and Stream.*

Insects and Cold.

Entomologists have determined that the severity of winters is not destructive to insect life. Larvae may be frozen stiff, and yet they will revive with the return of the warmth. Bumblebees and butterflies are often met with in the arctic regions. Disease microbes are even more tenacious of life. Watchnuth and Verna found that they could be subjected to cold forty degrees below zero, be powdered with a mortar, and yet be capable of transmitting diseases.—*Chicago Times.*

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The Dog Milliner of Paris.

The *American Register* describes the story of a "dog modiste" in Paris: The sights were very amusing. The place was not so much of a store as an establishment, with halls and rooms richly furnished. Ladies tripped in and out all day long, most of the visitors having with them pugs or terriers. The pet dogs were scattered through the rooms, each awaiting its turn. Many small mats and rugs were around the waxed floors, and every bit of carpeting of the kind was occupied by some pretty little creature. These dogs have various dresses. The robe used in the morning is a garment of dark blue cloth. It is called a paletot, and is lined with red flannel. From a leather collar little bells jingle as its wearer walks along. Sometimes a bunch of violets is fastened on the left shoulder of a dog. On very cold days the pet is clad in sealskin of the same pattern, the collar being in fur, mounted in silver.—*Chicago Herald.*

In Praise of Hackney Horses.

The introduction of the hackney horse of England into this country marks an important era in the breeding of carriage horses. There is great need in this country of a good, fine acting carriage horse and I think you will find him in the hackney. Both the hackney and our trotting horse are founded on the same blood, that of the Arabian, in fact, our trotter came originally from a Norfolk hackney, old Bellfounder, who was very fast and of great bottom. A horse to trot must have a reach, and to have a reach his shoulders must lie well into his back, or in other words he must have what the English call a "tobby" appearance. The hackney undoubtedly has this, and having been bred so long for one purpose their every idea is bent toward that one thing—to trot.—*New York Telegram.*

The Telephone as a Weather Prophet.

The telephone is about to have a new application—that of foretelling storms. A new discovery has been made as to one of the properties of this means of transmitting sound. By placing two iron bars at seven or eight meters distance from each other, and then putting them in communication on one side by a copper wire covered with rubber, and on the other side with a telephone, a storm can be predicted at least twelve hours ahead through a dead sound heard in the receiver. According as the storm advances the sound resembles the beating of hailstones against the windows. Every flash of lightning, and, of course, every clap of thunder that accompanies the storm, produces a shock similar to that of the stroke of a stone cast between the diaphragm and the instrument.—*Chicago Herald.*

Beet Pulp is Good Fodder.

An important fact in the beet sugar industry is that the refuse pulp makes a valuable fodder for cattle. The tops are also available for the same use. This refuse is stored in mounds, and will remain in good condition for six months. Wherever beet-sugar factories have been established there has been an immense improvement in the agriculture of the surrounding country. It is found that although three tons of the pulp are equal in nutrient value only to one ton of the best hay, yet when fed in connection with coarse provender it possesses a value of its own in keeping animals in a sleek, growthy condition, and, strange to say, one not indicated by its chemical analysis.—*Chicago News.*

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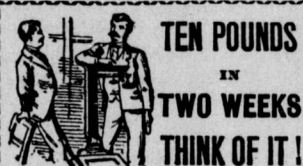
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