

The Czar's Enormous Stables.

The Czar of Russia has four sets of carriages and horses—the gala, the English, the French and the Russian sets—each one composed of fifty horses.



FARM AND GARDEN

A RUST-RESISTING VARIETY.

A new rust-resisting variety of wheat is reported by the South Australian Register. It was observed by a farmer, several years ago, while reaping a badly rusted field of wheat.

FATTENING EWES.

Ewes may be fattened for early market at the same time they are rearing the lambs, and the lambs will be improved at the same time.

ABOUT DRIVING HORSES.

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GROWING WHEAT MOST CHEAPLY.

A correspondent of the Michigan Farmer, H. Voorhees, of Grand Traverse County, writes that he makes more money by extending his acreage as much as possible, and working the land with least labor, instead of by concentrating his effort on a few acres.

How the Rail was Fixed.

To illustrate the amount of red tape now used along the Southern Pacific Road a story is told of a recent visit of an inspection party at Benson, comprising General Superintendent Fillmore, Chief Engineer Hood, Superintendent of Track Hawgood and Roadmaster Stanton.

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HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

TO CLEAN SILVER.

To clean silver first wash or remove all the grease from the silver, then rub with a woolen cloth wet with ammonia and whiting, and polish on the chased and filigree parts with a toothbrush.

A CUP OF WELL-MADE TEA.

There are few "pick-me-ups" equal in potency and pleasant effects to a cup of well-made tea; few things that will so put to flight "the tired feeling" millions of brain-workers are familiar with; per contra, there are few more injurious compounds put into human stomachs than the long-steeped decoctions, replete with astringent tannin, that the average Hibernian charwoman imbibes in boundless quantities.

CARE OF INDIA RUBBERS.

In these days, when india rubber shoes are so often made of shoddy material, it is especially necessary to take good care of them. It is a great mistake to wash an india rubber to free it from mud. Soap always injures them, and even clear water applications are of no special advantage.

RATS IN A CELLAR.

Cellars should be built always with regard to safety from vermin. Once these get a foothold in the walls or under the floor it is almost impossible to dislodge them, and if they are poisoned the dead carcasses are as bad as the live animals.

RECIPES.

Gingerbread—Two pounds flour, one-half pound of butter, one pint molasses, one-fourth pound sugar, one ounce ginger, one-half teaspoonful of cream of tartar.

Fried Chicken Dressing—Take a half gallon of cold bread. Moisten with gravy from the cooking chicken, throw in a handful of powdered sage, teaspoonful of pepper and a little salt.

Honey Comb Padding—One cup of flour, one cup of sugar mixed with the flour, one cup of milk, two cups of molasses, eight eggs. Beat the eggs and pour them into the molasses.

Oil the harness if cod-liver oil be used in the place of neat-foot oil, it is said that the leather will remain unmoistened by rats or mice.

When you strip a cow's teats to the last drop in milking, do it not so much for the immediate gain as to keep the udder of prolific habit in the future.

The merciful dairyman when he draws calves to market puts them in a comfortable crate, instead of tying their legs and doubling them under the wagon seat.

There are many horses that have never been seen to lie down in their lives. Their rest is not complete, however, and their joints and sinews are liable to stiffen early.

In hiving, one essential is to have the hives in a cool place. The bees will enter a cool hive much more readily than one which has been baked in the hot sun all day.

It is pretty well established as the results of experiments that the same amount of feed required to produce one pound of butter fat will produce three pounds of beef.

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NEWS & NOTES FOR WOMEN

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The latest vest is single-breasted, with buttons up so high that very little of the shirt is seen. Covert coating is a fashionable material for these dresses, but it is very heavy, and when the skirts are interlined with haircloth they are really burdensome. Tweeds and chevots make much lighter gowns.



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Half a Century of the Telegraph.

The facts brought out on the fiftieth anniversary of telegraphy, which was recently celebrated in New York, are very interesting to the student of material and social progress. It was on the day of the great Whig convention at Baltimore that the first message was transmitted in this country that was to demonstrate the utility of telegraphy and relieve Professor Morse of the stigma of being "crazy."

The Horse's Original Home.

The original home of the horse has been generally supposed to be the country which forms the highlands of Asia, about the fortieth degree of latitude, and recent authorities report that herds of wild horses are still to be seen in certain parts of Western Mongolia and Northern Tibet. From time immemorial this country has been favorable to the growth of horses. At a very early date, several thousands of years before Christ, the horse was taken westward. The Babylonians used horses in their expeditions.

Intelligence of a Stallion.

During a fire in a stable at Pau Sec, Province of Quebec, Canada, a bay stallion returned twice to the burning structure and drove out a horse that was so terrorized as to be unable to make any attempt to escape.—San Francisco Chronicle.



SEVERE EXPOSURE

Often results in colds, fevers, rheumatism, and other ailments. Do not "catch cold" if we are in good condition. If the liver is active, and the system in consequence doing its duty, we live in full health and enjoy the "rain or shine."

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