THE SEA MADNESS.

have come from the sound of the thresh, the sight of the living sea. To a piace of cribbed and narrow way, where only the wind is free; But the leap of the sea is in my blood, and always, night and day, I bear the lap and wash of the waves, the hiss of the flying spray,

When the loasened winds of the tempest wake far tunnder on the deep, I can been the stren music calling through the veil of alcent Through the throughing city highways comes the bollow occan roar, And I strken for the long green surge, the lonely foam are shore.

I know a storm lashed headland, where the broken billside dips. In a somber flame of heather to the ocean's singing lips.
I must go the sea has called me, as a mistress to her swain;
From the missimorial tunult I shall drink of peace again.

—F. O'Neill Gallagher, in the London Daily News,

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UNCLE EPHUM'S WILL.

BY W. E. WHITMORE.

fat green poil from the bas- older, crankler and deefer every day. and yawned broadly

'Yes." said I. "I often wonder that to keep from larfin'.

then, by machinery. thing was hung."

I was much surprised and asked him and I began to get real worried.

ere boat, besides a lot of cash in the her go shead. bank. Maria and her first cousin, Sid-

Moria, owin' to a seetle squabble we house; 'twas for yer Uncle Ephy." had over a dog he owned that bit my | We had a fine dinner, roast beef and feelin' besides.

leave it all to tother side of the fence. I hope to goodness it will

2 on speak touder?"

Nothin' would do thur he must have day's work you ever done! goosebarry pie So Marie she cooked When he had finished three whoppin a big one and he at most the whole of slices, I says: "Retier have a little changed leaving everything to Siddle, along her old man for most a year.

We was putry down in the mouth, and says: Well, Uncle Eph took notions over "He can hear," soys she, after a there, same as he had done with us, spell and it rame about that he thought the

So Sidule's old man went to work a contrivance to hang over Uncle fairly dancin' when I got home. give thille power.

Well, the very first ulgit Uncle Eph now. tried it he lab! down, lowered it close. At a o'clock somebady drives up to to be face and handed the rope that set, the rate; 'twas Siddle's old man in his theird a noise probability twas up. mentey. So he seek up in hed and- "where he you goln'?" where one of the arms of that 're fiymall caught him right on the car, goin to find another burrow," and be He thought twas terrs are sure, then, climbs into the wagon, and hellers "Murder" and "Help: "This is your doin's." half to wake the dend. An every time my fist at Siddle's old man he sit up that flymill would knock blur "Yes" says he grinnin.

So he was more down on Siddle than dead set agin' Siddie and her tribe so on and so on. that the best name he could get for "Them's my latest invention," says them was "murderers," and if you Siddle's man, "I sent Uncle Eph a mentioned inventions he would rave pair for a birthday present. He's been

for hours at a time. our house. A couple of years went by them, can't yer, uncle?" and he was still with us. Maria and me begun to put down a list of things ordinary conversation, too." we was goin' to buy when the property they drove off, and I went in and

NOK R. OWENS slowly drew a things. And the old man was gettin'

ket beside him, split it. Got so it was kind o'n joke as yer dawn the middle with his might say; I'd do it at the table just thumb and sent the pens for fun. "Have some beans, yer old fattling into a pan between his knees; image?" I'd ask him the fust part then be took his pipe from his mouth | lond enough to take the roof off and the rest in an ordinary tone of voice. "Slow job, this shellin' peas, ain't ft?" And then Marla'd pucker up her face

no one has invented a way of shelling. For them two years he never mentloned Siddle's folks except to run 'em "Invention" he snorted. "Don't ever down, but all at once he began to say invention to me again. I wish change his tune. Begun to wonder every feller that ever invented any- how they were getting along, and said he would like to see 'em, till Maria

to explain. After some coaxing Mr. His seventy-eighth birthday was Owens complied with my wish, and be- comin' and we thought 'twould please him if we made a kind o' celebation of Yer never seed Maria's (my wife's) it. We talked it over some and Marie Uncle Ephum, did yer? No? Well, said she'd git up a special dinner, and the old man was a queer un, I tell yer. have a whoppin' birthday cake. I told Richer'n the Steel Trust, he was; had her it was foolishness, but she was set thirty acres er 'op gardens and a fish on it and said he was old and childish wher and a quarter interest in mack- and would be tickled to death, so I let

Well, the morning of his birthday I the, was the only near relations he had | hitched up and drove to town, and she after his wife, A'nt Olindy that was, and Pansy Nickerson got talkin' about the minister's wife; how extravagant Well Sladie and her old man and Nathaniel Nixon was since he got mar-Maria and me figgered considerable on ried, and one thing er another, till the old man's money and who was 'twas 11 o'clock 'fore she started agoin' to get it when the old man home. On the way she met Lysander pegged out. Siddle and her tribe Holmes, who drives the mail cart, and wash't on speakin' terms with me and he says. 'Left a package at your

brindle helfer and scar't her so she plum puddin and heaven knows what, run onto the railroad track and got but nuthin' suited Uncle Eph. He made into hash by the up train. There growled at the vittles and said this was a lawsuit and one thing er an- was burnt and that was raw, till I got other ter add ter the general good madder'n a young helfer. Fin'lly Marin went out and fetched the birthday So me and Maria guessed that none cake, 'Twas a noble old cake, I tell of the money was goin to Siddle, and yer; there was Uncle Ephum on it all Siddle said the same ining about us. done in red peppermint losenges; Ma-Uncle Eph was kinder impartial, as ria made the letters so hig there wasn't yer might say. One spell he'd be for room for the "m" on the end. Here's as and have his will hired up so as we a big slice for you. Uncle. I howled, could get everythin, and the next thing and then I says, in my usual voice. yer know he would twist around and "Looks as if it would poison you, and

Fast off he came and fived with us. Well, he just grinned and took the and he was a trial and no mistake, slice and bergen to eat it, and I set cross grained and Tussy and deer- down and pulled my mustache down so he was so deef that a cannon as he wouldn't see my lips move and taight have gone off by his car and all commented. I sartialy did give it to ne'd say would be: "What? Why don't him hot and heavy. Maria had to cough lialf a dozen times to keep from Me's Maria put up with it as best larger out. "See lim cat." I'd say, we could and never gave him any back "We've got him this time. Every answer, and did our best to please him, mouthful is just as good as a deed to knowln' quite well that the meek in- two acres of that hop field. Have some more? That's right. We'll kill Ber he overdone it. He was dread- the deef, old reptile this time, I can fur fussy about his eatin', and one time | see the melodeon in the parlor. Order he took a notion for gooseberry pie, the undertaker, Maria: it is the best

it and was awful sick, and swore we more, you old alligator; we want to stied to polson him. He and his will kill you quick; don't want you bangin'

and went off and lived with her and | Then he sits up kinder slow and deliberate, lays down his guife and fork

but everythin comes to them who "No," he says, "the old alligator won't waits, but blineby he had a row with have any more; he's had enough-of Sliddle that heat the one he had with cake and other things. But I wouldn't us all to pleces. Yer see, Siddle's old order that melodeon this afternoon if togh is an inventor. Up to that time was you, and I wouldn't rely on pickin' nothin' he had invented was worth a them hops this season." And out of cent, but he kept at it just the same, the room he walks, leavin me and Mapersistent as a hear that wants to set. via lookin like a couple of wax men.

"He's heard every word we're said?" files were pesteria' him at night arrer said I. Then we both looked at each he'd gone fer hed. Seems as 'twas Oc- other and never said "Boo" for as long toher: I guess the flies was mainly as five minutes. Then we heard Uncle Imagination, but he said there was mil- Eph come stample down sights. He tions of 'em 'round also every night, and his old plug hat on and his cane and that he couldn't get a wink of in his hand, and he walked out of the gate and down the road.

"You must foller him." says Maria and invented a machine for driving I grabbed my hat and ran after him. away the flies. He orgued that if you but he got down to town first and went were example out or fields', or any late the telegraph office. When he tuing where there was lots of flies, came out I went in and tried to find that they'd bits like everythin' when it out who he telegraphed to, but he had was called but it is breeze came up left word with the clerk to fell no one they would all go off. So he rigged up so I got no satisfaction. Maria was

Eph's piller and could be raised or low. "He's up stairs in his room," she eved and pulled up by a string to star; says, "with the door locked, and he's There was a windmill on the throwin' things around like all posroot that was connected with it and sessed. He's been deef for years and years, and how, how, can be hear

set har a buzzin' and went to sleep, wag n. Uncle Eph comes hoppin' Middle of the night he wakes up and right down stairs with his bag filled

volt. uncle, dear, sobs Maria, "The deef old reptile," says he, "is

"This is your doin's," says I, shakin'

"Yes." says he grinnin'. "I'm gold down again. He was party nigh used to say 'tis. Here's something you may up when Siddle and the old man got to be interested in." And he throwed me a piece of paper.

Twas a printed circular, and it said: ten thousand of bricks, and made his "The deef hear! Budd's that's Siddle's will over again, leavin' everythin' to old man's name) Marvelous Out-of-Marie and me, and back he come to Sight Ear Drums, for Restoring the live with us. This time we thought we Hearing. Ordinary conversation easily had him for keeps, 'cause he was so understood. Entirely invisible," and

"Them's my latest invention," snys wearin' 'em ever since mornin'. You Well he comes along and staid at can hear ordinary conversation with

"Yes," said the old man, "and extrawas sorn. New memdeon for the par-kicked the country of that birthday t new whatnut, new cover for the cake from the kitchen to the parlor slitta room soly and any quantity of and back again. - San Francisco Call.



New Style of Candy Pull. amusing little entertainment which girl readers will enjoy is a new style of candy pull in which riddies founded on the names of different sweets, and not the molasses dainty

Hself, plays the leading role. Invite the girls to "a new-fashioned candy pull," inserting a clause in the note, urging everybody to come in old had as moccasins and ankle ties, as clothes, and with aprons, as an old- well as in the shape of diminutive fashloned candy pulling bee is to follow the riddle game

plums .- Washington Times.

Fine American Seamstresses. Few people know much about American women who are fine seamstresses, but there are many of them who eke out an income by this work if they do. not support themselves entirely by it. One lovely lingerie waist made by one of these women is of the finest and sheerest material, with fine hem of the shoe. Shoes are made especially stitched tucks set in at the top, yoke deep, and between the rows of the finest French knots. There is something inexpressibly dainty about this waist, which is more like a baby's garment than a woman's. The Americanmade waists are not sold in lots, and prices are not reduced as in other varieties of the hand-made waists. These latter, even those which come from abroad are anything but well made or well finished on the Inside. though ranging in price from \$20 up.

Woman's Superiority.

Professor Chamberlain, of Clark University, has figured out that women have a whole lot more ability than whole lot more ability than men. Following is his little list: "As an actor she has greater ability and more frequently shows it. She is noticeably better in adaptability. She is much more charitable-in money mat-Under reasonable opportunities she is more gifted at diplomacy. She has greater genius in politics. She more commonly has executive ability Her hearing is more acute. Her imagination is greater. Her intuitions are greater. Her memory is better. Her patience is greater. Her perceptions are more rapid. She has greater religious devotion. Her instinct for religious devotion. Her instinct for tion. Now comes an English biolo-sacrifice is greater. She bears pain gist, Mr. T. H. Montgomery, who more heroically. Her sympathy is greater. She has greater fact. She sented by the anafomy and evolution of has more acute taste. She has greater various invertebrate and vertebrate vitality. She has more fluency in the lower forms of speech."-Pittsburg Ga- less developed and more embryonic

Gold Gauze and Hand Work. tailored costumes in the form of vests. collars and cuffs, etc., done in silk of several shades of the costume color or in harmonizing tones. These embroideries are done on silk, satin, broadcloth and gold gauze heavily embroidered in shaded material used for the purpose. One costume in a rich plum showed a vest effect made on the lines of stoles of this gold gauze heavily embroidered in shades of purple ranging from a faint violet to a deep plum. Golo and black silk threads were interwoven with these, and the short box coat also showed a touch of black in the broad military braids which trimmed the seams and edges.

Gold gauze is one of the new trimming ideas, not only in costumes, but in millinery as well. It comes in ribbon form, ranging in width from one to tive and six inches, and is extremely soft and pliable, being capable of the most graceful adjustment.-Indianap-

Old Sideboards.

When some enthusiastic furniture ollector tells you that he has a sideboard three hundred years old, do not believe him, writes N. Hudson Moore, in the Delineator, for there were no sideboards then, no, nor a hundred and fifty years ugo, either. The earliest ones are not more than one hundred and twenty-five or thirty years of age, and such antiques as these are few and far between. None of them are to be "picked up." Before that the table was the only large piece of dining room furniture.

The first man to make what we know as sideboards was a cabinet-maker named Thomas Shearer, of London, England, who issued a book of designs in the year 1788. That they were immediately popular is shown by the fact that all the other cabinet-makers look to making them, too, and in 1789 Hyppiewhite published a book with his designs, and two years later came Sheraton with his. After this the sideboard may be said to have been es-

A Woman Bailroad President.

Mrs. Mary S. Holladay, who made herself President of the Williamsville. Greenville and St. Louis Railroad because, although she was a director the manager of the railroad refused to give her a pass, sold the road for \$1,000,000, received the money and returned to soclery. Until she sold the road, Mrs. Holladay was the only woman railroad President in the United States, probably in the world. The Williamsville, Greenville and St. Louis Road, though only skriy miles long, is one of the best feeders in Southern Mir Ri. A one made of the palest of blue batiste, purchasing syndicate headed to with a tiny dragon harmlessly a Long, Kansas City, Mo., succeeded stretched out on each side of the yoke. Mrs. Holinday at the helm. The \$1. The work is Japanese in its finest and 600,000 was paid to Mrs. Holladay at most delicate style.

tibe National Bank of Commerce, in St One cannot help regretting the ten- Louis, Mo. "I guess I have made more dency of feminine fashions to once money in the last ten months than any again become masculine. One fears a woman in America," she said. "I liked little lest the leather that is to be a being at the head of a big enterprise feature of feminine fashions this autuan, and the headgear that has she drops out of society. I will move sprung from the masculine bowler and to St. Louis now and return to society. the old "Jarvis" beavers, and the walk- What made me go after the Presidency ing sticks which, like eigarette cases. was I couldn't have a pass while I was are now popular gifts for girls, will a director. So I bought the read and not rob us of our preity fal-ials and made myself President. Then I had daintiness.-Ambrosia, in the all the passes I wanted."-Milwaukee Wisconsin.

> The ChBd's Footwear. Writing of "The Child's Dress," in

the Delineator, Dr. Grace Peckham Murray has a word of advice in regard to shoes. She says:

As soon as the skirts are shortened. children arrive at the dignity of wear ing shoer. The first ones should be very soft and loose. They are to be shoes with very soft soles. The latter should be thicker when the time comes Prepare in advance as many plain for the child to walk. Children's shoes white cards cut from a sheet of paste- should have broad soles and should board as you have received accept- be formed very carefully so as not to On each card write a set of deform the feet. They are made withriddles founded on different sugar out heels, for children do not wear heels until they are nine or ten years old, and then extremely low. Children often suffer from weak ankles. If such be the case, their feet should be bathed and rubbed with salt water every day. They will be helped by the wearing of shoes the ankles of which have been made stiff by pieces of steel which are held in place by means of little pockets made for the purpose in the lining for children who toe in, or for who are bowlegged, and for children who have flat feet. The necessary thickening of the bottom of the shoe, which varies in position and amount of leather according to the trouble to be remedied, is placed inside the shoe and does not show at all on the outside of the boot. Care should be taken in fitting stockings to see that they are not too short or too small, as they will cramp and deform the foot. Children are usually so hard on stockings that they do not have time to outgrow them, and the possibility of it should be kept in mind. Knee-caps made of leather are excellent to prevent rapid wearing out of the stockings at the

> The More Useful Sex. Some interesting biological and socio-

logical facts have lately been published about women which are calculated to exalt the ostensibly weaker sex in its own eyes and also in those of men. We have previously pointed out the conclusion reached by certain scientists that the average life of woman should, and under normal circumstances would, exceed slightly the average life of man in respect of duraafter a general review of the data preanimals, maintains that the male is than the female. So far as the invertebrates and the lower vertebrates are emale is clearly superior. When, within this field of observation, one sex is found to be rudimentary in comparison with the other, it is pointed out that this is almost always the male. In size, the female is usually the superior. Sometimes the central nervous system is more highly specialized in the female, while, as a rule, the internal reproductive apparatus is more complex. In those cases where the male seems, at the first glance, superior, the difference turns out to be mainly in unimportant morphological characters. species of insects seem to get on altogether without males for at least a generation. The unmated queen bee. for instance will lay fertile eggs. which, however, produce only drones. It is well known that the working bee is the product of a union between a drone and a queen bee. From the female aphis (plant-louse) on a rose-bush will proceed several generations of offspring before the intervention of a male is required. It appears, then, that on certain planes of organic existence there is no question of woman's rights: Nature herself has assigned to the male a role altogether secondary



A blouse, in the pulest pink, had embroidery applied like a yoke of edg-Some of the newest coats show a

good deal of fulness below the waist White linen shirt waists and blouses vill be worn all winter, with slips of

lawn, or of silk, if you're a chilly mortal. Exquisite scarfs are about-some of the lightest, most diaphanous bits of

gossamer silk in the world.

One delectable petticoat of siraw-colored taffeta is embroidered with flower baskets spilling their pink and blue blossoms among the lace frills at the

A blouse should never took like the top of a gown worn with a stray skirt, and that is exactly what the surplice separate waist looks like and why it does not "take." One blouse has tie-ends apparently banging from the attached collar. But

a closer examination proves that they

are inset in the blouse, joined with the inevitable herring-bone.

RUSSIA'S GRAND OLD MAN Household



COUNT TOLSTOL AND HIS WIFE.

THE REPUBLICS OF PANAMA AND

COSTA RICA MAY UNITE. that country.

A Lively Wild Cat.

It is not commonly accepted that the wildcat is so vicious as to attack hu-The Republic of Panama has made man beings, and this section has lately overtures to Costa Rica looking to furnished the cat that proves the ex-union of the two nations, and in the ception to the rule. Albert Drinis, a opinion of those in a position to speak guard at the Varn Turpetine Comwith authority a coalition is the prob- pany's convict camp, was attacked by able outcome of the negotiations now a monster cat in Gillette Creek, not instituted. The first definite news of more than a mile from the camp, and the purpose of Panama to propose and had he not used mausual presence of nexation to Costa Rica reached the mind would most likely have been torn State Department, at Washington, in to pieces. The young man was returnthe form of a communication from ling to his quarters at a rather late hour United States Consul-General Lee, who from an evening pleasantly spent with reported that Senor de la Guardia, his parents three miles distant, and Panama Minister of Foreign Affairs, upon reaching the swamp of the creek is about to visit San Jose, the capital was literally held at bay by the cat, of Costa Rica, with the purpose of ne- which held the pass to the bridge begotiating a treaty of annexation to youd and refused to move when advanced upon by Mr. Dennis. The offer of the Republic of Panama young man was armed only with a causes no surprise to Costa Rica, and clasp knife, and with his weapon he unless accompanied by conditions re- waded into the brute, kicking him

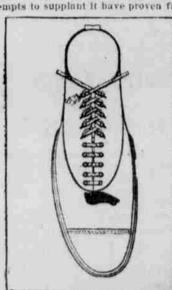


MAP OF PANAMA AND COSTA RICA. Which may be united into a single republic.

Rican Government will be promptly ac- him and succeeded in doing the young cepted by that country. In fact, the man's Sunday clothes considerable desirability of union has long been up- damage before his throat was cut. Mr. preclated at San Jose, although it Dennis has killed several cats in his was deemed good statesmanship to time, but says this one is the biggest make no suggestion, but to leave it to he has ever seen. It is said that the Panama to realize the advantages to be female cat is especially vicious during gained as well as the disadvantages of the period of nursing, and the one in independence to so small a republic.

A NEW SHOE EYELET. Can Be Substituted For the Present Lacing Hooks.

Several new designs in shoe hooks have been patented at different times, but the book now universally used has proved so practical and useful that attempts to supplant it have proven fail-



EYELET CUT OUT OF THE LEATHER.

ures. It would be difficult to improve on its construction, but a Wisconsin inventor thinks he has an improved shoe eyelet which should be popular In his design the lower eyelets are the same as those generally used, the improvement being in the upper cyclets, These latter are similar to the round eyelets, except that they are open on the upper side to receive the lacing. The eyelets are reinforced by a tongue which is tapered at the end so that it can be passed through the leather and clinched or the under side of the shoe, a metallic plate being inserted between the outer and inner side, so that the cord passes under the been surreptitiously bandled. eyelet and prevents it from tearing ord. out, giving rigidity to the fastening.-Philadelphia Record.

The Shah of Persia says that the French seem to have sattpeter in their biliration and stimulation by sulfflag veins, the British beer and the Jap- it, but in a year or two they are physical nuese comphorated shimotose.

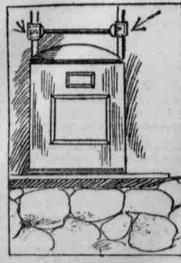
question was seen to be carrying young.-Tampa (Fla.) Tribune.

Transvaul as a Mugnet.

It was stated in one of the sections of the British Association that the survey of the Transvaal had shown that the eastern part of the country "seemed to be a mass of magnetic iron." ing from the effects of the rocks on the compass needle. Magnetic ore or black oxide of iron is the richest of the ores, containing only oxygen and fron, and yielding seventy-three per cent. of iron by weight. It is found mainly in the older rocks, and in Europe the best form of it is found in Sweden. It exists also in Russia, Canada and several of the American States.

SEAL ON THE GAS METER.

The temptation to endeavor to beat the gas meter appears to be an innate instinct in mankind, and while manpulations of this character are perhaps infrequent, a demand exists for a device to indicate any tampering



SEAL ON THE GAS METER

them heavy with embroidery, others, facings of the leather. This plate core with the gas meter. One very simple responds in shape to the eyelet open- contrivance for this purpose consists ing in the leather, this consisting of a of a pair of projectors in the shape slot with a bali-shaped mouth. A series of spanners which are adjusted to the of these slots near the edges of the coupling nuts on the inlet and outlet leather form a series of tongues. In pipes of the meter. These coupling lacing up the shoe the lacing cord to arms are joined together upon adjustdrawn through the slots into the eye- ment by a leaded or other seal, which lets and then across the lacing slit of indicates at once whether or not the the shoe to the eyelet on the other nuts on the inlet and outlet pipes have lower portion of the tongue and over arrangement it is possible to detect the upper portion. This naturally any such attempt. If the gas compresses the eyelet against the foot of pany's representative should find it the wearer and prevents it from being necessary to make any adjustment the bent out of position. The intervening arms can be rescaled with the official plate reinforces the leather around the designating mark.-Philadelphia Rec-

> The use of cocaine has become quite common among the negroes in Southern towns and cities. They derive exbiliration and stimulation by suiffing teat and mental wrecks.

Matters

Washing Muslins.
Muslins and materials of similar nature should be washed in lukewarm suds and hot soft water. They should not be rubbed, but merely squeezed until they are sufficiently cleansed. when they should be riused in warm water and then in cold, remaining in this until the starch is ready for them. The starch for these should be very

For the Bathroom.

Three or four large double clotnes hooks, screwed upon the juside of a bathroom door, and left exclusively for the use of persons going in there for a bath, are among the requisites for that room. No one should be allowed to monopolize anything in a bathroom used by several persons. It should be always free and open to all, and invariable left in order by the last bather. A bottle of inodorous disinfectant ought always to be kept in every bathroom, but beyond the reach of children. At least once a week some of the bottle's contents should be poured down every waste pipe.

The Little Things.

A writer in the Delineator speaks of the "little things of housekeeping" that mean so much one way or the other. The squeaking door, for example, which gets on the nerves, can be quieted by a feather dipped in oil and applied to its hinges. Woodwork, pencil-marked by little fingers, can be made immaculate by rubbing with a split lemon and afterwards with a little whiting on a cloth. Spots on carpets or rugs should be dusted with fuller's earth, and afterwards rubbed with benzine. Shabby willow furniture is made new by scrubbing with strong salt water.

Starch.

It is a mistake to suppose that box starch is the cleanest. On the con trary, bulk starch, that comes in big lumps, is far more free from dust and other foreign substances. Select your starch with care and dissolve a teacupful of the big, clean lumps in enough cold water to cover it. Add one heaping teaspoonful of sait, one of granulated sugar, a piece of butter the size of a filbert or hazelnur, and a little blue water. Pour this mixture into four quarts of boiling water, stir while still boiling, until it is free from lumps,

and then let it cool. This starch is delightfully smooth, will not stick to the irons, and gives a beautiful domestic finish.

Dill Pickles. These are the easiest of all packers to do up, and are much liked by those of Dutch or German extraction. Use for these pickles cucumbers from six to eight inches in length. Wash and wipe carefully. Add two pounds coarse salt to three gallons of water, boll and skim, replacing the water that evaporates so as to keep the same quantity. Lay the cucumbers in a big stone jar or keg without a head, placing one small African red pepper, a big bunch of dill seed on the stalk and a layer of grape leaves between each layer. Proceed in this way until all the cucumbers are used, then spread over the top more dill and a layer of cabbage leaves. Cover with a plate and heavy stone, and leave for two or three weeks, while a quiet fermentation takes place. At the end of that time the pickles are done and should be transparent, with a fine amber color and a grateful subseid flavor.

Household Dispoveries. When I wish to iron a garment in short time I sprinkle it with hot water. and in fifteen minutes it is ready to

I have discovered that if a silk petticoat be hung upside down in the closet, from hangers sewed inside the bottom ruffle it will retain its freshness very much longer, the ruffle will stand out

and the skirt will wear better. Cucumbers which I tried to put up sweet, would frequently soften or shrivel. Now I use a little sugar when pickling, but add more when I onen the can, and in a day or two my pickles are both crisp and sweet.

The little metal tongs which come in candy boxes are utilized in our house for bhotograph holders, simply by bending over the round ends to clasp the photographs at the lower corners; the top of the tongs forming the stand.

I can pears without sugar. When opening a can I bake the pears in my bean pot several hours until they are a rich brown, adding enough sugar to sweeten and plenty of water to cover. I cook apple and rhubarb sauce the same way .- Good Housekeeping.

Solled Farina Pudding-One quart milk, four tablespoonfuls of faring and the same of sugar, a little salt? just before it is done stir in the yolks of two eggs well beaten; boil fifteen minutes; put in a mold to barden; beat the whites of the two eggs and mix with milk for sauce; flavor to suit the taste, Whipped Cream Pie-Sweeten with white sugar one cup of very thick cream, made as cold as possible without freezing, and flavor with lemon to taste; beat until as light as eggs for frosting, and keep cool until the crust is ready. Make a moderately rich crust and prick well with-a fork to prevent blistering. Bake. Spread on the cream and to add finish put bits of jelly on top. The above will make two

Shepherd's Pie-Two cups minced veal, one tablespoon butter, one tablespoon flour, one cup water or stock, sait and pepper, one teaspoon minced onion. Make sauce with butter, flour and water, add seasoning and minced onion; add one egg beaten slightly; boil ge tly three minutes; add minced meat, stir until hot, but not boiling; turn into buttered boking disk, p over it a loyer of potatoes mashed and creamed with quarter cup milk and one tablespoon butter for two cups po-tators. Brush over with butter, Brown in good hot oven.