*************** Brooklyn, N. Y .- The New York AV nue M. E. Church was crowded to its utmost capacity Sunday morning when Bishop McCabe preached the Confer-ence sermon. Bishop McCabe preached for nearly an hour. His sermon was a typical, old-style Methodist oration, and evidently pleased his hearers immensely, for his remarks were punctuated from start to finish with cries of "Amen," "Hallelujah!" "Yes, yes." and frequent laughter

Bishop McCabe's subject was "The Preacher's Commission," and he took for his text the passage in Haggai: "And the desire of all nations shall

went to the captive Israelites to help to rebuild the waits of the ruined temariah was the other one. both men of vast hope and mighty faith, and God gave them vision to read the future, and, because they saw the future, they were optimistic men. They did not believe that anything was too good to be true. We need such men. We have enough men who tell us how much better the past was than the present, and who discourage us, and we need that who talk hopefully; men who speak of the future with de-light, because they know that the Lord's prayer-that the will of God shall be done on earth as it is in Heaven-will some day be fulfilled. These two prophets went to the Israel ites, to Jerusalem, and struggled to rebuild the temple, and they were greatly needed. Cyrus, the King of Persia, allowed them to go, Cyrus was the conqueror of Babylon, and these he treated them fluely. Cyrus was a man who believed in religious liberty. It is steamed that 2500 years ago there was a man in a high on earth position who believed that every man had a dictares of his conscience. I know Cyrus believed in religious liberty because he was not a Jew, and yet he allowed these Jews to go and rebuild their temple and ruined city. I think God loved Cyrus on this account. I know He did, because He sent him a message by Isaiab, "I will go before thee and make thy way straight before thee," Cyrus would have made a great Czar of Russia; there would be no more massacres of the Jews. And what a great Sultan of Turkey he would have made! There would be no more massacres of Armenians simply because they were Christians. I trust in God that the time will come when a great man like Cyrus will octhe idea that one man can control the conscience of another shall pass away forever. I have myself seen 580 in-struments of torture which were used by men and devils-for I think the Impired men to use such instruments of torture-to make all men think alike. I looked with amuzed in-terest at the "Maid of Nuremberg," a instrument called by name. It consists of great, wide doors, in which I counted nine spikes, several inches long. When the victim was asked for the last time "Will you re-pent!" if he said "No," these doors were slammed, and the victim quiver ing on these spikes would suffer more anguish than Jesus Christ did on the Men and women to-day rather die than give up this old Bible, or surrender the right to worship God according to the dictates of conscience. enjoy liberty to-day because such men and women have lived in the world. Let us prize the boon which

seven years; 42,360 of them went to build the temple. Some were old and some young. The young men shouted some young. The young men shouled for joy, for they did not remember Solomon's Temple, but the old men did, They went, first, beand they wept. They wept, first, beamount of money which David gave Solomon to build the temple with and the sum thay had now. Secondly, hecause of the contrast between and now there were but 42,360. Solo-mon had 3000 overseers to keep the people at work-walking delegates, if you please. I wish all walking delegates were for that purpose. I wender if they ever had a strike among them. I wonder if 10,000 of these 80,000 said to the other eighty-four per cent.: "Unless you join our society you cannot work at all." It would not have been allowed in Solomon's time. I had a letter yesterday from a prominent man in this city, asking me if the church was the friend of labor. 1 want to state publicly the creed of the M. E. Church. We are the friends of labor; we are the friends of all labor earn a living by the sweat of the face. We are the friends, not only of the sixteen per cent, but of the 80,000; of 100 per cent, of labor, and anybody who is not a friend of 100 per cent, is not a true friend of labor. That is the ereed of the M. E. Church, and I state it for them because they do not seem disposed to state it for themselves. And I believe I state the creed of all Protestant churches in this country. Then, again, I think the old men wept because of the contrast in the

they purchased with suffering and

These Israelites had been in captivity

plans of the two temples. "The Desire of All Nations." That is one of the names of Christ. He had over 300 different appellations. Jacob called Him "Shiloh," Job, "The Deliverer," David, "The Shepherd;" Isaiah, "Wonderful," "Counselor," "Mighty God," "Everlasting Father" and "Prince of Peace;" John the Baptist. "The Lamb of God;" Paul, the runner:" at the Isle of Patmos, Jesus said: "I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last, the bright and mornng star," and John called Him "King of Kings and Lord of Lords," the sweetest name of all is Jesus. what a sweet name it is. He is my Saviour. It took an angel to bring that name. Gabriel sald: "His name shall be called Jesus"-that is the sweetest name of all-"His name shall be above "At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow.'

Jesus, my Saviour, to Bethlehem came, Born in a manger in sorrow and shame; O, it is wonderful, bleat he His name, Calling for me! Calling for me!

He did come, "and His own received The Jews are still looking for Him. That is the most pathetic thing in human history. A great Hebrew scholar has translated the New Testament into Hebrew as a literary venture, and a rich man in London is spending a large fortune in cir-culating it. I hope it will fly around the earth. Let us got the Jews converted, for that is the quickest way to convert the world. Do you know that there are 500,000 converted Jews? Let

the glorious work go on.
Now, "what think ye of Christ?" Is the wearer of all these glorious names or human or an angel? Some think He was a good man, a typical

man, the best man in the world, bu say He was not divine. They do no even admit that He was an angell being. Some think He was Godsman "God manifest in the flesh." divine. Peter believed that. Paul be lleved it. He said: "By Him all things created that are in Heaven and "By Him al in earth, visible and invisible; all things were made by Him." things cannot b said about an angel or a human being. I think the epistle to the Hebrews was written by Paul to prove the divinity of Jesus. scholars say Apollos wrote it, and not not anybody else great enough to write it. We must have a divine Saviour. No angel or human being could do what we need. He must be an Al-mighty Saviour, One who is 'mighty to save and strong to deliver." Our sorrows are too great for human consolation; our sins are too mighty for the power of any man or angel: We must have a divine Saviour—and we have Him. Ito you believe Jesus Christ can save a soul in an instant? I know it: I have seen Him do it a Haggal was one of the prophets who cousand times. He can do it. He ands ready. Will you have Him?

De you desire Him? Brothren in the ministry, it is your business to preach Christ's Gospel to the world. Hurry with the Gospel. This is a sad world. There is one re-ligion that teaches that sorrow is so inescapable, that the best thing that can be done is to be blown out like a send 500,000,000 Buddhists be leve it. Hurry with the clospel. Rend John xiv. "Let not your heart be troubted; ye believe in God, believe also in Me." The presence of sorrow affects me strangely. I have nover get used to it. It ought to awaken the sympathy of every human heart. read a story of a Pollman car when he the night, all was quier except a haby's voice. One man called out angrily: "Where is the mother of that child? I wish she would keep it quiet." mother of my babe is in her coffin in gers will excuse me; I am doing the best I can." The other man rushed out and said: "Sir, forgive me. I did not understand. I would not have said it if I had known. Let me take that babe. I will keep it all night and you shall rest; you must be tired." His heart was changed and full of sym-

Oh, the world is full of serrow and sin; but we have the remedy. Let your feet be like the ree's upon the mountains. God grunt the commission anew to-day to preach the Gospel. The Time is Short.

All, my dear friends, you who are letting miserable misunderstandings run on from year to year; you who are keeping wretched quarrels alive be-cause you cannot quite make up your mind that now is the day to sacrified your pride and kill them; you who are passing men sullenly on the street, not speaking to them out of some silly nite, and yet knowing that it would seard that one of those men were dead ting your neighbor starve till you hear your friend's heart selle for a word of approclation or sympathy which you mean to give some day-if you could mow, and see, and feel all of a sudden that "the time is short," how it would break the spell! how you would go in-stantly, and do the thing which you do!-Phillips Brooks.

Do you wish more strength? But if you had more and misused it your d more its rust would the more sure y eat your flesh as fire, while the rerden the soul. Do you crave a larger If, when gained, the field were untille A young minister had few to hear his best sermons; he complained to John cannot so much as trouble swine with-Brown, of Haddington, and this was out leave from God. "Were choked."

every time you preach as you will care -Pacific Haptist.

Bless God for the wilderness; thank God for long nights; be thankful that you have been in the school of poverty and have nudergone the searching and testing of much discipline. Take the right view of your trials. You are nearer Heaven for the graves you have dug, if you have accepted because ients in the right spirit; you are wiser but you are nobler for all the sacrifices have willingly completed.-Dr. Joseph Parker.

Live Boliness. It is better to live a good life than to be talking about it, better to live bolless than to proclaim that one lives it. If the sun makes a noise we do not near it. The brilliant electric lights blaze forth without crackling. The lighthouses flame out their rays over the perflous seas without the proclamution of bells or the firing of cannon. So the truest, purest and best lives simply let their light shine, us the blessed Saviour commanded.

A contemporary suggests that one thing which Christians as well as others need at the present day is back-bone. Not a backbone like a ramrod, that cannot yield or bend, but a well articulated spinal column, which is strong enough to hold a man upright. and keep him from being crushed neath the burdens that press upon him, These are days of easy going plety; and men are too often ruled by compromise rather than by conscience..

Fish Strictly in Fashion.

Here is an eighteenth century fish story. It is told 'a a letter written by a traveler in Russia to a woman in England. A vessel laden with the latest fashlons from Paris was run lown in the channel of St. Petersburg "The next day, the writer says, "s salmon was caught in the Neva. dressed in a white satin petticoat; and in the same net were found two large cod, with muslin handkerchiefs round their necks. The sharks and porpoises were observed in gowns of the latest taste; and hardly was there a fish that did not display some of the freshest Parisian fashions that ever visited the north.

Why Deaf-Mutes Cannot Talk. It, is said that deaf-mutes owe their inability to talk, not to any imperfection in the organs of speech, but en tirely to their deafness. Having never heard their own voices, or the voices of others, they are not able to appreciate sounds or to adjust the organs properly for their articulation.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR MAY 13.

Sunject : A Fleres Demonise Healed, Mark v., 1.20-Golden Text, Mark v. 19-Memory Verse, 15-Topic Grea, Facts Respecting Salvation.

I. The fierce demoniac (vs. 1-5). Jesus and the disciples. other side." They crossed the Sea of Galilee from Capernaum to the Eastern shore. "Gadarenes." This name in Matthew is Gergesenes, and in the Revised Version is Gerasenes.

2. "The tombs." These tombs were

either natural caves or recesses hewn out of the rock, with cells upon their sides for the reception of the dead, "A man." Matthew mentions two men. Mark and Luke speak only of one probably the flercer of the two, with out denying that two were healed. "Unclean spirit." Called unclean be ause the spirit defiled both body and soul, the outward filth being a type of

been made to bind him because he was exceedingly flerce (Matt. 8:28). Luke tells us that he was naked. 4. "Fet-ters and chains." Fetters were for the feet; chalus for any other part of the body. "Tame him." It was impossible to bring his wild, savage nature un-

"Night and day." He was de-prived of sleep. "Mountains—tombs." Here the demoniac had his home; for all maniacs were outcast as soon as they became violent, for that age had no provision for taking care of them. Institutions of pity for the nuferium te among the gifts of Christ; antiquity knew nothing of them, or of the spirit that would produce them. "Crying." Probably with hideous yells.
"Curting himself." Here is an impressive pleture of what all men ome under the absolute dominion of

is delivered (vs. 6-13). 6. "Ran and worshiped." As a man be is attracted toward Christ, but when under the influence of the demons he desires to withdraw from Christ. etc. It is impossible to account for his strange consciousness of a wonderful power in Jesus, or for the urterance of language which comes, as were, from a being within the man on any other hypothesis than the ex-"To do with Thee," Literally What is there between Thee and me What have we in common? Why interferest Thou with us? The devils t once recognize their great enemy ofth divine power. "Torment me not," erein the true devilled spirit speaks it, which counts it a forment not to suffered to torment others, and an jury done to itself when it is no more nitted to be injurious to others. "What is the name?" Christ asked

e man (not the demon) his name in der to get his attention and bring im to a consciousness of his own per onality. "Legion." The demon an swered, speaking through the man Roman legion consisted of about six thousand men. The word has come to moun may large number-a host.

10. "Besought," The demon kin who was in authority over him. "C of the country." This is explained in Luke 8:31. They did not wish to be sent "into the deep," that is, the abyss of hell, into the bottomicss pit (Rev. 20:3). Send us anywhere, anywhere but to perdition. Send us to the most shuttered man; send us to the lowest creature, into man or beast, bird or condemnation would be greater than is reptile; anywhere but into hell. 11. your reproach now for work undone. "Great herd." Though the Jews did Do you wish more money? But if you not eat park the Roman soldiers did and the swine may have been kept to heir wants, 12. "Into the How could demons enter supply their wants, swine? We do not know. But we see many things quite as difficult to understand. The connection of mind and body in us is an equally great mystery, 13. "Gave them leave." The devil cannot so much as trouble swine with-"You have as many hearers | Cavilers have charged our Lord with into the swine and thus causing such a great loss to the owners; but it should be noted that what Jesus did was to drive them out of the sunn and then permit them to go where they wished. III. The effect of the cure (vs. 14-17)

Fled.' Their occupation was "In the city." Gergesa, mar-i. "Went out." The quickness with which intelligence files in the East. Matthew says, "Behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus."
15. "See him-sitting." There is a marvelous contrast between the man's former and his present condition. Instead of wandering among tombs, in nakedness, and filling the people with terror by his wild, manheal rayings, he is now sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. Those who come to Christ and take Him as their Savior always come into their right mind. "Were afraid." They knew they were in the presence of one who had great power, and perhaps they feared Jesus might send upon them the punishment they knew they deserved on account of their sins When Christ comes into a place there is either deadly fear or great rejoicing. 16. "They saw it." Those who fed

the swine and others who may have seen there when Jesus landed. too, the disciples may have told the story. 17. "To depart." They no loubt feared greater losses. They pre-

ferred swine to Christ. The saved man at work for Christ (vs. 18-20). 18. "Be with Him." How different is this grateful man from what he was before he met the He loyed Jesus now and desired to John himself to Christ. 19. "Go home-tell." We s

We owe our first duty to our home and friends. 20. "Decapolis." From deka-ten, and From deka-ten, and polis-city, meaning ten cities.

Why He Had a Grievance.

Half-time had been called, and, as usual, the sides were fraternizing. The goal keeper was talking earnestly to

"George," he said, "will you do me the favor of going into the goal, while I play out in the first ten minutes?" Whatever for?" asked the back

You're doing very well." "Yes; that's all right. But I've been ooking over the opposition lot, and-

His voice broke for a moment; then he continued rapidly:

"Many years ago their center forward and I were rivals for the hand of a beautiful maiden, and for what have suffered on his account I--! should dearly love to come to an understanding with him." "Poor old chap!" murmured the

back. "You seem to feel it hadly. suppose he married her and left you out in the cold-eh?"

"No, he didn't!" snapped the goal keeper. "He stood aside for me, and married her!"-Answers.

EPWORTH LEAGUE LESSONS

SUNDAY, MAY 13.

Investing Our Lives .- 2 Tim. 4. 6-8. Anniversary Day.

The seventeenth anniversary of the Epworth League will be celebrated on

A complete and attractive program be prepared, which every chapter ought to use. It is intended to be simple, sensible, and full of interest. Its successful presentation is meant to be within the powers of the smallest chapter, and yet the largest should find it entirely worthy of being used.

Do not permit any light reason to interfere with the use of this special program. It affords every chapter the one opportunity of the year to put its work fairly and strikingly before the The whole day may be profitably de-

voted to the anniversary theme. Perhaps the pastor may be willing to preach a special sermon at the morning hour. The evening service should be entirely devoted to the special program. Of course, there must be an understanding with the pastor, so that the chapter may have his consent and cooperation.

Magnify the occasion in every possible way. Emphasize its Importance by careful preparation, by vigourous advertising, by general participation. Let the entire celebration be on the high level of the League's true importance and dignity.

If some chapters find that they cannot use the anniversary program they should yet plan to celebrate the day in some way or other.

Every year the official program provides for the installation of officers and the graduation of Juniors. These exercises may be made part of the celebration, even though the rest of the program is not used.

Wheat has two uses. It may be eaten, or it may be sown. Eaten, it satisfies the appetite of the moment and ministers to the needs of the body Each grain has one grain's value, and no more. It abldeth alone.

Sown, it dies. But out of the death of the wheat comes the life of the harvest. The grains are buried in the The fields are brown and bare above them. But soon there is shimmer of green, then a sea of gold. Each grain of the sowing has risen from death, but with its life and its value multiplied thirtyfold.

Life may also be put to two uses. It may be eaten, or it may be sown. may be consumed as it comes, each day's power and worth used to satisfy each day's desires. That way there is gratification for the moment, but no he forces of life, no enlargement of life's meaning.

Life may be invested for others And that way comes the increase of influence, the widening of life's out-lock, the enrichment of life's purposes and results.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR NOTES

MAY THIRTEENTH.

Christ's Life., Lessons From Hig Miracles of Healing. Matt. 9: 27-34; 25; 31-40.

Christ is always saying to us, "According to your faith be it unto you" Faith is the key to all blessedness. The blind men were healed, not so much that they might see as that they might speak. Their gratitude was better than their vision. There are still "dumb devils" that

need casting out! Do you think of Christ as sitting on suffering in the body of the next

wretched man whom you could help. Suggestions.

The only thing at which Christ ondered was the splendid faith of a Gentile. Perhaps He is now wonder-

Christ healed bodies in order to the for more important healing of souls, Christ's promise that we should 'greater things" than He is fulfilled the marvels of modern science Will Christ answer prayers for healing now? Yes, if the prayer is willing to be denied,

Illustrations.

To Christ, the Creator, a sick human body was like a halting machine to the inventor of it.

There was no real marvel in Christ's healing; the marvel would have been if He had kept from healing,-as if a fire should burn without heat or a lamp without light.

Christ's miracles were the mintmark stamped upon His teachings. Healing radiates from Christ as light from the sun, and the true Christian must reflect it like a mir-

Questions.

Are you trying to heal the sins and sorrows of those around you? Has Christ been a Physician to your soul?

Are you spreading the praise of The medical mission is the outcome of the living teachings of our

faith - Isabella Bird Bishop Christ is now, through His dishealing more sick, opening

more blind eyes, binding up more broken-heated, than He did in Palestine eighteen hundred years ago .- F.

Gorilla Battles.

Many stories have been told of gorillas who, in attacking each other or men, used clubs as weapons. It is very doubtful if that is true. They have abnormally strong, sharp teeth, and in all authentic tales of their battles they seem to depend largely upon them. With their teeth they can make a wound as smooth and clean as with a surgeon's knife. When they fight they grasp their adversaries with both of their long hairy hands and, drawing them up close in an all too strennous embrace, they sink their teeth into the faces or limbs of their opponents.

Their most effective mode of fighting with each other is to catch the creature by the wrist and bite off a finger. Minus fingers and toes an orang-outang is practically' helpless, for he cannot fight any longer. soon afterward succumbs to starvation or is disposed of by some other animal, for he cannot climb trees either for protection or food.

The Larm

foliage is deep and cooling in summer the cattle and please the eye.

Good Ration For a Borse. A good ration for the horse of any kind of feed is about a pound of grain and one and a half pounds of hay to each hundred pounds of horse. And the horse should do better on the alhorse barn is where one of the greatest wastes of the farm can be found, and winter if necessary.-The Epi -Husbandman.

Care of Farm Tools. If every farm contained a tool house In which every tool was kept in its place when not in use, there would be a great saving of time during the busy season. It often happens that the value of the time lost in seeking some tool not in its place is greater than the cost of the tool. Much of the loss of time and exposure of tools is due to the lack of some suitable place for storage. It costs but little to build a house and it need not be proof against heat or cold, the main point being a good roof, so as to protect the tools and implements from dampness.

A Brush Burner. A convenient, portable brush burner, for getting rid of lopped off limbs in the orchard during the pruning season, can be made thus: Take a section of an old smokestack, about five or six feet long, cut it lengthwise and open it so as to make a trough. Close both ends with pieces of sheet iron, and fasten the contrivance to a sled. Throw some dirt in the bottom of the trough and start a fire. Hitch a horse to the sled, but at a safe distance from the fire. Pile on the brush and it will be consumed, leaving the asbes in the trough, Be careful not to haul the burner under the trees while it is in operation, The horse draws the burner wherever needed .- Indiana Farmer.

Poultry and the Curculio. A flock of hens will greatly assist in protecting peaches and plums from insects of various kinds. The fowls keep the soil around the trees clean, and manure the trees with their drop-

pings. When fowls are kept in confinement peach growing can be made an adjunct, thus adding to the profits as well as affording excellent shade in the yards in summer. Experiments in plum orchards show that if the hens are allowed over a large area they will be kept too busy with other in sects to notice the curcullo, but if they are confined and each yard contains but one or two plum trees, under which the hens will congregate for shade, with not too much grass in the yards, the prospects will be favorable to a large crop of plums. Being thus compelled to remain near the trees the insects have but little chance of es-

caping.-Farm and Fireside.

To Destroy Bark Lice. A cheap mixture, which has been tested with excellent results, is to dissolve five pounds of potash in five gallons of boiling water, adding five pounds of lard at the same time. In another vessel sinks one peck of stone lime in five gallons of bolling water and add a pint of crude carbolic acid. While hot mix the two solutions. The mixture may be kept in a barrel, to be used as required. When about to be applied to trees take one gallon of the mixture , add two gallons of bolling water and swab the trees with it, or apply with an old broom, while the mixture is warm or as hot as it can be applied. It may be used as frequently as necessary, both on the trunks of trees and on the roots, after removing the top soil. It loosens the old bark, destroys bark lice and makes the trunks smooth. The odor of the carbolle acid is enduring and is especially distasteful to insects.-Agricultural Epitomist.

Hollow Concrete Blocks.

A recent farmers' bulletin says. Among the advantages claimed for hollow concrete block construction may be mentioned the following:

1. Hollow block construction introduces a saving of material over brick or stone masonry.

2. The cost of laying concrete blocks is less than for brickwork. This is due to the fact that the blocks, being larger require a much smaller number of joints and less mortar, and, being hollow, are a less weight than solid

3. A wall constructed of good concrete blocks is as strong or stronger them and prevent drying out. that a brick wall of equal thickness. Concrete blocks, being easily molded to any desired form, will prove to be a far more economical building

material than stone, which has to be

dressed to shape. 5. Experience has proved concrete to be a most excellent fire resisting materin! 6 Concrete blocks, being hollow, tend to prevent sudden changes of

cool in summer and easily heated in 7. The bollow spaces provide an easy means for running pipes and electrie wires. These spaces may also be

temperature within a house, making it

ventilating flues. Management of the Lawn.

established its success thereafter de- knife, pends upon its management and the best time to seed the lawn in the South ell in the North as in the South, the first of June.

Among maples, the rock or sugar especially in mowing. Young lawns maple is claimed to be the best. It is should not be mown too closely, for a handsome tree from the start-state- the reason that when a plant produces ly and well balanced in maturity. Its seeds its object for the season is accomplished. Until the grass is well and gorgeous as sunset in autumn. It under growth too much mowing is an without pineapple juice. will bear more mutilation and ill-usage, injury. Apply manure on the grass in and still thrive, than almost any other | the late fall and fertilize in the spring tree. As a wayside tree in exposed On partially bare spots or on weak situations it has no superior. As a lawns the grass should be allowed to pasture shade for cattle it is one of the go to seed before frost, which will be best of trees. It will give comfort to an advantage the following spring. when it may be kept in order with a lawn mower. A mulch will also be of assistance in winter, and during the summer watering should be frequent. When lawns are large and sprinkling cannot be done, the grass is sometime injured during dry periods, but mowing this would apply to alfalfa. In fact, should not be permitted at such times, as it is better not to cut close to the faifa than with the other hays and ground when there has been a lack with less grain. This might be the op- of noisture. If frequent mowing does portune time to say that the majority not kill the weeds, then the best way of farmers feed too much hay of all is to dig them out and if the lawn kinds to their horses. In fact, the contains here places rake the spots and sow seeds thereon, both in the fall

Cultivation of Strawberries,

tomist.

The following instructions for handing strawberry plants from the time they are received from the nursery until they come into bearing are in accordance with the best methods of successful fruit growers:

If possible you should have your ground ready for planting when the plants are received from the nursery out if the ground is not ready should be set temporarily in rows about two inches thick and four inches of dirt between the rows.

You will find that the sooner the plants are set the better growth they will make and those set as soon as received from the nursery will require ess pains to get them to grow.

The ground should be thoroughly worked and levelled. The rows should be marked with something light. so as not to ridge the ground. The rows should be thirty inches apart and the plants sixteen inches apart in the A hoe with handle ten to twelve

the plants. Stick the corner of the hoe in the ground slightly, place the plant in the hole and press the ground fround it with the hand. In setting when the ground is moist, this need not be done as particularly as

nches long should be used in setting

when it is dry. When the soil is in right condition one should set from 000 to 10,000 plants a day. The plants should be cultivated at east four times the first season and the weeds kept heed out, but when

poeing do not dig too much around the plants. The runners should be cut about twe weeks after the strawberry season is ver and again in about six week.

and all weeds hoed out before laying them by for winter. In the spring they should be cultivated as soon as the ground will do to work and again about the time they begin to bud or bloom. A fine-toothed ultivator should be used in the spring and when hoeing be sure not to cut the oots, as it will put them back, making

the crop late. If these instructions are followed, you will be surprised with the growth of your plants and the size and quality of berries. Cultivated in this way,

Farm Notes. Many a good chick has been ruined

n the rearing. Allow a margin for disappointments n the hatching and rearing of chicks. Beginners generally expect too much and are then disappointed at the real

results. Everything considered, April and May are the best months of the year

to purchase eggs for hatching. A miss is as good as a mile when the old cow kicks at you; and when you kick at her it is better than five miles. If the hogs have no dependence for water except the mud holes in which they wallow, disease and death are bidding for them.

Do you like sheep? If not, you might better not try to keep them. No man can do well with sheep if he does not love them. So with everything

If the ewes are kept on tolerably thin pasture and allowed to get a little lean, and then put on a rich pasture at the time of mating, you will have

more and stronger lambs. Improvement is seldom found in a ross, and if it is it is only with and after great care and guarding and perpetuating such a cross until it final-

ly becomes a distinct breed of itself. Grape cuttings should be planted as soon as the soil can be worked in the spring. In planting put them in ground up to top bud and at a slant so that the soil will be firmly packed about

Cover all large wounds resulting from the removal of large limbs in pruning, storms or sleet, with a heavy coat of white lead. This will protect the heart wood till new growth has had time to develop over dead wood and protect it from decay.

Provide the poultry house with perches, dust boxes, lime, gravel, broken oyster shells and ground broken bone. Clean out regularly and spread over the floor and especially under the roosts, a layer of dry earth as an absorbent and deodorizer.

When pificing trees and shrubs on the lawn for permanent growth, keep used wholly or in part for heating and in mind the habit of the trees. Make the tops smaller than the roots of trees that are transplanted. Remove all broken roots when the trees are set. After the sod of the lawn is well Cut broken parts off with a sharp

Bantams are usually raised more for amount of rain that falls upon it. The ornament than for use, and as small size is one of their principal charms, is as soon as the ground can be worked | care should be taken not to set the eggs in the spring, while in the North, Au- to hatch too easily. As they feather gust is probably the best month, all early, the first of April is a better seathough spring sowing often results as son for hatching these little pets than

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A very simple but tasty fruit salad is made of silced bananas and boiled prunes cut in bits. It may be served with cream, or be dressed with a blend of lemon and orange juice, with or

Cream of Cheese Soup. Scald one quart of milk with a teaspoonful of grated onlons, a blade of mace and a piece of a red pepper about is large as a knife blade. white sauce with two tablespoonfuls each of butter and flour and a cupful of cold milk, and add it to the hot milk n a double boiler. When it cooks add cupful of grated cheese. Let this melt, and add a little salt. Beat two eggs and strain the soup over the eggs, stirring all the time. Whip until light

Hodge-Podge Salad.

Here is what a housekeeper irreveratly calls "hodge-podge" salad, a large our apple sliced and cut in cubes, a ablespoonful of minced onion, a sweet ed pepper chopped fine, two small toratoes and two cupfula of finely bredded cabbage. Put the various arficles into the salad bowl in layers, beginning with cabbage and ending with epper on the top. Dress with oil and inegar that have been emulsified in a owl rubbed with the cut side of a love of garlie and seasoned with a bit of tabasco sauce and tarragon vinegar, Mix the saind thoroughly with forks.

Delicious Cheese Sauce.

The New Idea Magazine gives a deliions recipe for cheese sauce to be oured over macaroni that has been polled tender, or to be poured over coast. Put a large tablespoonful of outter in the upper half of a double soiler, the lower part being filled with not waler and after it has melted stir n a tablespoonful of flour. After blendng them, turn in a cupful of hot milk, naking a rafher thin white sauce. Season with salt and paprika to taste, and then pour in a large cupful of cheese which has been put through the meat chopper. This thickens the sauce suffiriently.

Smith College Fudge.

Put into a saucepan one cup white ngar, one cup brown sugar, quarter of e cup of molasses and half a cup of ream. Melt a quarter of a cup of butter and add. Bring to a boil and cook three minutes, stirring rapidly. Have eady two squares of chocolate scraped fine, add to the syrup and cook five minutes, stirring rapidly at first, then more slowly. Take from the fire, flavor with vanilla, using about a teaspoonful and a half, then beat until thick and creamy. Pour into buttered fins, set in a cool place and mark in equares. Chopped walnuts, pecaus, figs r crystallized fruits may be added when you wish a change.

Vegetable Cutlets.

The plants should be well cultivated Vegetable cutlets used in place of mest in a vegetarian family are made this way: Half a dozen carrots, a turaip and an onich are all boiled separitely until they are very tender. Then they are mashed together and mixed with a cupful of cooked lentils drained. as dry as possible. The mixture is seasoned with curry powder, minced parsley and salt, an egg is incorporated to bind it together, and if it is soo moist to handle a few bread crumbs are added. It is then made into croquette shapes patted flat, dipped into beaten eg, rolled in bread crumbs and on good soll, one acre should yield fried in deep fat. Serve on a hot dish with parsley as a garnish, and the uninitiated will mistake them for a meat cutlet of an unknown kind .- New York Evening Sun.

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Freshen salt fish by soaking in sour Thin syrup may be made thicker by

boiling it down. To remove egg stains from sliver apply dry salt and rub with a soft cloth. A brush dipped in salt water should

be used in cleaning bamboo furniture.

A little sugar added to the water used in basting roast improves its flavor. The dirtiest frying pan will become clean soaked five minutes in ammonia

and water. The odor and taste of onion can be removed from silver by rubbing it with a slice of lemon. Equal parts of turpentine, linseed

for furniture, etc. Add a few drops of lemon juice to eggs while being scrambled. It will improve the taste.

oil and vinegar make a splendid polish

A dustpan with a long, perpendicular handle will save many a twinge in the muscles of the back. fo bring out the prilliancy of cut

glass, ammonia should be put in the water in which it is rissed. A few grains of rice put in the sait cellar will keep the sait moving when

being shaken and avoid its caking. To take care of silk dresses properly they should never be brushed, but rubbed with a soft piece of merino. If pains in the head are brought on

by a nervous attack they will often be relieved by binding a silk handkerchief tightly around the forehead. Setting dishes in the oven to warm often results in their cracking. Warm

them by pouring hot water over them

and there will be less chance of break-The brushes should niways be washed in cold water in which there is a little ammonia and a few drops of carbolic acid added to the water by

way of a mild disinfectant. Ink stains will come out with the salts of lemon. Rub the salts over the spot after wetting it slightly with water. Repeat the process every few minutes, rubbing well and rinsing in cold water until the marks have disappeared. Some ink stains are very obstinute and do not yield as readily as