

Farmer's Column

PRESERVING FRUIT.

Prof. Skimp says: "If tomatoes are slightly scalded and skinned, and put into boiling water for a few minutes, and corked and sealed, and if eaten when first opened, will have the same taste as when first picked from the vines."

Our experience is this: We pick our tomatoes, wash and peel; then boil slightly and stir for five or ten minutes, so as to be sure to expel all the air; then heat the bottles, and fill, corking up instantly. Heat corked up at once, and when full, the contents will settle, and leave a vacant space. The cork should be a short one, and pushed down below the level of the top of the bottle neck--this filled up with melted sealing wax. This is our mode. We have never lost a bottle, nor had the least change take place in the fruit. We have kept it--and generally a year, or a year and a half, always with perfect success. We have now a quart bottle filled, which we shall not break till next summer, when it will be two years old. We have no thought at all of its getting. Oyster cans are equally good, only there will be a tin taste--not agreeable.

By this process, heat drives out the air, and the glass keeps it out. This preserves the fruit. But there is some fruit that will not preserve, or account of the acid in it. Plums are of this nature. Apples, on the other hand, are readily preserved.

There is another way to preserve fruit, the air-pump. Pump out the air, and your fruit is safe, regardless of the vacuum in the vessel. Fruit may be preserved with or without sugar; but it should be boiled with sugar. Boil first, then apply the sugar; or, heat your sirup, and pour over your fruit. This leaves the taste of the fruit distinct. One thing more; use only the purest and best refined sugar--sugar without taste, for whatever odor or flavor there is, goes into the fruit, and will be tasted. Valley Farmer.

EXPERIMENTS WITH FOOD.

From experiments made by celebrated chemists, we find that in bread every 100 pounds weight is found to contain 59 pounds of nutritious matter; butcher meat, averaging the various sorts, contains only 31 pounds in 100 pounds; French beans, 80 pounds; peas, 23 pounds; greens and turnips, which are the most nutritious of all vegetables used for domestic purposes, furnishing only 9 pounds of solid nutritious substance in 100 pounds; carrots, 14 pounds; and what is very remarkable, as being in opposition to the hitherto acknowledged theory, 100 pounds of potatoes only yield 25 pounds of substance value as nutritious. According to this estimate, 1 pound of good bread is equal to 2 or 3 pounds of potatoes; and 15 pounds of bread or 30 pounds of butcher meat are equal to 300 pounds of potatoes. Or, again, 1 pound of rice, or of broad beans, is equal to 4 pounds of cabbage, and 3 pounds of turnips. This calculation is considered correct, and may be useful to families, where the best mode of supporting nature should be adapted at the least expense.

VINEGAR.

This article is one of the most necessary, and yet we rarely find it good or even passable quality. By following the rules laid down in the following receipt, which I have prepared for many years, any one may make the article on his own premises. To eight gallons of clear rain water, add three quarts of molasses, put into a good cask, shake well a few times, then add two or three spoonfuls of good yeast cakes. If in summer, place the cask in the sun; in winter, near the chimney, where it may be warm. In ten or fifteen days, add to the liquor a sheet of brown paper torn in strips, dipped in molasses, and good vinegar will be produced. The paper will, in this way form what is called the "mother," or life of the vinegar.

HOW TO CURE A FELON.

A lady writer in the Oakland Press, is responsible for the following: "Allow me a few lines in your columns, to give to the public the benefit of the experience of a score of my friends, in arresting the progress of that painful disease called a felon. When one of these painful tumors appears on the hand, apply a piece of rennet soaked in milk to the part affected, and renew the application at brief intervals until relief is found. The rennet may be obtained at any butcher. This article was first recommended to me by a skillful physician, now deceased. It has been tried in many cases under my observation, and has never yet failed."

NICE GINGERBREAD.

Three pounds of flour, six ounces of butter, one ounce of the best powdered ginger, one ounce of ground caraway seeds, half an ounce of sweet pepper two pounds of treacle, a quarter of a pound of sugar a large spoonful of carbonate of soda mixed in boiling water. Butter and treacle both melted. Bake in a slow oven for two hours.

How to keep Carrots.--One of your correspondent recommends keeping carrots in sand in barrels. The best plan that I ever tried is one that was recommended in an English paper many years ago. When you take up your carrots in the fall, cut about an inch of the top of every carrot. You can then put them in a cellar, where they won't freeze, and pile them up any desired height you may please. Keep them from the damp wall to allow a circulation of air, and they will not sprout.

Prick of Thorns.--The roots extend for a greater distance than is generally imagined. J. J. Thomas has made some experiments to determine this point, and says: "The roots of a tree extend nearly as far on each side as the height of the tree; and hence to dig it up by cutting a circle with a spade half a foot in diameter, cuts off more than nine-tenths of the roots; and in a spade a little circle about a young tree not one quarter as far as the roots extend and cut it a circle." It is like Fallot's men claiming spurs and shirt collar for a complete suit."

Poultry.--Allow them the range of a grain field after the crops are harvested. Confine them in the house until noon, that they may deposit their eggs on this premises. Commence to fatten early, as they will be prepared for market more easily than in cold weather, and prices will be better than later in the season.

Delicious Milk Lemonade.--Dissolve six ounces of loaf sugar in a pint of boiling water, and mix with it a quarter pint of lemon juice, and the same quantity of sherry; then add three-quarters of a pint of cold milk, stir the whole well together, and pass through a jelly-bag till clear.

Take Stairs from Mahogany.--Put a half tea-spoonful of vitriol, into a large spoonful of water, mix with the spoiled wood with a feather. Rub it quickly; repeat the application if the spots are not removed. Care must be taken not to discolor the mahogany in the operation.

Soap Cakes.--Three tea-spoonfuls of light dough, one tea-cupful of butter, one tea-cupful of sugar, one egg, one tea-spoonful of pearl-ash, and two or three large tea-spoonfuls of milk; and add a pound of raisins. At 4 P. M. thoroughly worked together, put through into the pans, and raise until it becomes light. Bake in a hot oven.

Wise and Otherwise.

NOT ENUMERATED.--A wag has made up the following summary of what he calls the "Inalienable rights of Americans," and which are not enumerated in the Declaration of Independence:--

To know any trade or business without an apprenticeship or existence.

To marry without regard to fortune state of health, position, or opinion of parents and friends.

To have a wife and children dependent upon contingencies of business and in case of sudden death, leave them wholly unprovided for.

To put off upon hiring strangers, the literary, moral and religious education of children.

To enjoy the general sympathy, when made bankrupt by reckless speculation.

To cheat the government if possible.

To hold office without being competent to discharge its duties.

A big strapping fellow from Montgomery county, who had been drafted, was asked to this effect: "Have you, or have you had, any disease about you which would not naturally show itself to the examining surgeon?"

Montgomery replied, "Yes, sir-- I was crazy once."

"Please state when and under what circumstances."

Montgomery replied, "Well, I s'pose you'll doubt my word, but I can prove it by 'Nandy Wood. I was crazy at the last Presidential election, Mister, when I voted for Abe Lincoln."

Our little Bobby of four years had been lectured by his aunt on the evils of disobedience to parents, and the example was shown him of a boy who disobeyed his mother and went to the river and was drowned.

"Did he die?" said bobby, who had given the story due attention.

"Yes," was the serious reply.

"What did they do with him?" asked Bobby, after a moment's reflection.

"Carried him home," replied the monitor with due solemnity.

After turning the matter over in his mind, and it was hoped profitably, he looked by and closed the conversation by asking, "Why didn't they chuck him in again."

AN AWKWARD MISTAKE.--A fine stone church was lately built in Missouri, upon the facade of which a stone cutter was ordered to cut the following inscription:--"My house shall be called the house of prayer." He was referred, for accuracy, to the scripture in which these words occur; but, unfortunately, to the scandal of the society, he transcribed the whole verse:--"My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves."

A good-natured fellow, who warily entered out of house and home by the constant visits of his friends, felt very poor one day, and was complaining bitterly to his numerous visitors:--"Share, and I'll tell ye how to get rid of 'em," said an Irishman.--"Pray how?" "Lend money to the poor devils, and borrow money of the rich ones, and neither sort will ever trouble you again."

An enraged parent had jerked his provoking son across his knee, and was operating on the exposed portion of the archin's person with great violence, when the young one dug into the parental leg with his venomous little teeth. "Blazes! what are you biting me for?" "Well, you begun this war?"

REASONABLE.--"When I goes a shopping," said an old lady, "I allers ask for what I wants, and if they have it, and its suitable, and I feel inclined to take it and it's cheap, and it can't be got any place for less, I al most allers take it, without chaffering about it all day, as most people do."

A lady refused her lover's request that she would give him her portrait. "Ah! it matters not," he replied, "when blessed with the original, who cares for the copy?" The lady, both ignorant and indignant--"I don't think myself more original than anybody else."

"No, Catherine," said Patrick to his wife, "you never catch a lie coming out of my mouth." "You may well say that," replied Kate; "they fly out so fast, nobody can catch them."

GRAMMATICAL JOKING.--"What is the reason of a blow leaving a blue mark after it?" asked an inquiring young man of a medical student. "It's easily accounted for, was the reply; for you know that blow in the perfect makes blue."

"My son, haven't I told you three times to go and shut that gate?" said a father to a four year old. "I haven't I told you three times that I wouldn't do it? You must be stupid."

"Give the devil his due." "Certainly," says a contemporary; "but it is better to have no dealings with the devil, and there will be nothing due him."

What do we often drop, yet we never stoop to pick up? A hint.

The young lady who took the gentleman's fancy has returned it with thanks.

Don't fret on account of your bankruptcy. Your creditor will do that for you.

The man who will quarrel with his wife is well qualified for the penitentiary.

The man who grew fat on a smile at once lost flesh when the smile was withdrawn.

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T. D. SPRING. Laceyville, Sept. 24, 1862--v2n7.

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MOVING NORTH.

Leave New York from foot of Courtland Street.....8:00 A. M. Pier No. 2, North River.....7:00 " Philadelphia, from Kensington Depot.....7:10 " Leave Junction.....11:15 " Washington.....11:33 " Oxford.....11:50 " Hope (Philadelphia connection).....12:14 P. M. Delaware.....12:43 " Columbia.....1:00 " Water Gap.....1:16 " Stroudsburg.....1:30 " Tobyhanna.....2:42 " Gouldsboro.....2:55 " Moscow.....3:17 " SCRANTON.....4:10 " Abington.....4:40 " Factoryville.....4:56 " Nicholson.....5:16 " Hopton.....5:38 " New Milford.....6:09 " Philadelphia.....6:40 "

MOVING SOUTH.

Leave Great Bend.....2:10 P. M. New Milford.....2:35 " Montrose.....3:45 " Hopton.....4:15 " Nicholson.....4:45 " Factoryville.....5:13 " Abington.....5:40 " Arrives at Scranton.....6:30 "

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JOHN DRISBIN, Sup't. Superintendent's Office, Scranton, Nov. 25, 1861.

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ABRAHAM HAAS. July 16, 1862--v1n101y

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