

FOR FARM AND GARDEN

STORING PARSNIPS FOR THE WINTER.

The parsnip is a hardy root, and will not suffer any way by leaving the crop in the ground until spring.

WEIGHT AND THE YIELD OF MILK.

Careful comparisons made in Germany from the records of large herds, show that there is no relation or even approximate relation between the live weight of cows and the yield of milk.

HORSES' LEGS.

I try to imitate nature by the following system, says an English specialist: I wash the legs in all the stalls; I wash the legs from the knees and hoofs downward every day.

I apply cold water bandages, changed every two hours. For reducing the heat in fevered legs, and I do not grease the hoofs nor allow the smith, when shoeing, to remove any part of the hoof except the wall.

BEGONIAS.

There are no plants which will grow more readily than begonias. Any one who has had success with geraniums can grow begonias successfully.

For foliage the Rex is, of course, unsurpassed. The leaves are large and richly decorated in rings with the most striking colors.

The tuberous-rooted begonias are beautiful. To grow out of doors in beds, start from March to June.

As house plants begonias should be given the same treatment as geraniums and are in fact, just as easily grown.

THE BEST ROOTS FOR COWS.

The best kinds of roots for feeding cows are those that have no strong taste or smell, such as carrots, mangels, beets and parsnips. Turnips of all kinds are to be avoided as food for cows giving milk.

chief value, however, for feeding is in this water, as it helps in the digestion of other food, as well as makes the whole of the substance of the roots themselves digestible.

GATHERING AND STORING CORN

The methods of gathering and storing corn intended for planting were given by 370 Western farmers last year. The great care used in selecting and preserving the seed was a matter of surprise and gratification.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

Look out for well bred heifer calves.

Too much hay makes a horse rough and pot-bellied.

Too much bran fed to very young calves is not desirable.

We have too much quantity and not enough quality in our horses.

A full and unailing supply of pure water is of great money value in the dairy.

A little vaseline and carbolic acid applied to parts of the horse that he cannot touch with tail or head will give him much relief by keeping flies away.

The health of a horse depends on the soundness and proper adjustment of his teeth. They are the milestones that grind his food.

Bees starve because they do not have plenty of food in the right place, which is above the cluster.

Breeders of grade draft horses have made a very serious mistake in selling their draft mares to shippers and thus reducing their number much below the producing capacity necessary to supply the current demand for heavy horses for the business of the country.

In feeding common molasses or sorghum, Mrs. Atchley has said that she could not get the bees to take hold of it, except in a case of some colonies which were starving to death.

Every field should "stand upon its own bottom." Let each crop be charged with just what it cost to raise it—the seed, the manure and the labor.

Flaxseed boiled for twenty minutes, or till it makes a jelly, in six times its bulk of water, makes a good substitute for the butter fat taken off of the milk in cream.

WINTER WEAR.

WOMAN'S DRESS AND ADORNMENTS FOR THE HAIR.

Tiaras and Heavenly Bodies Give Place to Bandeaux and Crowns—Effective Skirt Trimming for Tall Women.

THE men whose accumulated treasures are the most costly in the world keep an apprehensive finger on the pulse of fashion, says a Paris correspondent. They are of necessity gifted with the presence of foresight.

twisted golden hairpins. It is the law of compensation over again, and once more the "Madonna bands," with their tender ripple and discreet draped effect, are responsible for it.

FUR AS A TRIMMING.

Fur is everywhere this season. It is used as a trimming for the evening gown, as well as the street costume.

Many of the most fashionable evening dresses are trimmed this season with fur, combined with jeweled lace. It makes a gorgeous trimming.

SKIRT TRIMMING FOR TALL WOMEN.

This is a decorative trim. There is a riot of bows, embroidery and jewels. Although bows and jewels are rather meaningless adornments for skirts unless placed where they seem to be for use as well as for beauty, they form an effective yet



A handsome gown for the street, says the Mail and Express, is made of dark green French cloth, with brown velvet trimmings.



Coat to be made of either rough cloth or velvet, fastened by large pearl buttons. Inside revers are of white satin.

which only grow from airy elegance to costly beauty above the brow, where are fixed either two branching peacock's feathers, with every filament picked out with sparks, and a lovely ruby, sapphire or emerald as the "eye," or a dainty pair of bat's wings.

The heavenly bodies, as head ornaments, are at last eliminated from the jeweler's windows. Stars, so long the best beloved ornament of the middle class matron, are not to be found.

One characteristic item of the jeweler's window I miss with small pang. Those dainty trivivialities, called "side combs," seem to be no more.



LATEST STYLE OF COIFFURE IN PARIS.

comparatively simple trimming when arranged as in the illustration. This style conforming way on either side completed this pretty basque.



SKIRT TRIMMING FOR TALL WOMEN.

Let it be told in whispers—but almost all the imported skirts have at least two fine wire hoops in them, one around the edge and one between the knee line and the bottom of the skirt.

WHITE HATS COMING.

The white felt hat is on the return trip of fashion, and if you like to keep a step ahead of the great throng you can invest in one of the white fur felt hats.

HOW A YANKEE RAN AWAY.

HAD TWO DAYS' START.

Clever Ruse of an Indiana Boy to Get out of Andersonville.

In the month of August, 1864, the writer was engaged, under a parole of honor, as a grave digger in the new historic cemetery near Andersonville prison.

On being out again, he was ordered by the surgeon to get the brook near the cook-house to get water for his sick comrades.

A few days later, on a sultry rainy day, our Indiana boy was again outside, bringing water to his less fortunate comrades.

The wagon started and arrived at the cemetery. The Indiana boy and the driver related the story, shook hands, and with a "good-by" the escaped man went into the thick undergrowth at the northeast corner of the woods near the cemetery.

Two days later the old reb with his bloodhounds came in the cemetery and inquired: "Did you see a runaway Yankee this week?"

"Well, did you catch anybody the other day?" To which he replied: "No! Hell itself can't catch a Yankee.

Kenesaw.

On the night of June 25, 1864, the Second Division, Fourteenth Corps, was taken from the line near Little Kenesaw.

The Third Brigade formed in mass and it was composed of the 125th, 85th and 86th Ill., 22d Ind., and the 52d Ohio.

On the agreed signal we crossed our front line of works, a small branch and a wheat field. The rebel front line was soon taken.

We soon had ourselves protected by works thrown up by tin cups, plates, or anything that would move dirt.

When at Marietta, Ga., two years ago, a citizen told the writer that those works were just as plain and well defined as they were when we left them, and he said it always has been a mystery to him how one line of battle could get so close to another as we did and live.

Humbbug of Hatmaking.

Now as to the possibility of producing rain by artificial means. It is never safe to say what things are possible and what things are impossible to a man.

KEYSTONE STATE COLLINGS

FIRE AT M'DONALD.

The Ship Canal Committee Select the Mahoning Route.

At the meeting of the provisional ship canal committee of this city it was decided to employ engineers to survey the Mahoning route, via Youngstown, and to report on the water supply of each of the other routes for the canal.

TO MINIMIZE EPIDEMIA.

At a special meeting of the Sanitation commission of Allegheny county, Dr. Frank L. Mayo, E. G. Matson and Rev. Dr. W. J. Holland, and Col. Thomas P. Roberts were appointed a committee to raise funds and to make all necessary arrangements for supplying outfits for the prompt detection of diphtheria and other contagious diseases.

At Ridgway, Frank Meyers, Ludwig Rosenbeck, Joseph K. Bellie, William Geitner, and Wassil Swinzer, all miners, were found guilty by the jury of burning the tipple at the Fatme mines during the strike last June.

One square of glowing clinders and hot, discolored brick chimneys, was all that remained of McDonald's business center or public square Tuesday evening last year.

Squire W. L. Douglas, of Boston and his constable, Steven Jones, have, after hard work, succeeded in breaking up and arresting a gang of thieves which has been operating in that vicinity for over a year.

Warrants are out for 125 parties in Blair county on the charge of selling oleomargarine in the original manufacturer's package without having first paid the special tax required by law of wholesale dealers.

J. L. Henderson has sold seven acres of his farm in Canton township, Washington county, near Oak Grove station to Jerome B. Akin and Oakes for \$2,800, and work has been commenced on the initial building of a new industrial plant.

The National Foundry and Pipe Works Company, Limited, of Scotland, has contracted with the Sheffield Bridge Company of Pittsburgh for the erection of another foundry building 80x301 feet, a pipe cleaning shop 30x301 feet and a cupola house 26x35 feet.

The Hyde Park Iron Company, of Westmoreland county, capital \$1,000,000 has been chartered. The directors are J. D. Orr and T. S. Irwin, Leechburg; J. M. Ferrier, W. E. Lloyd, Apollo, and E. T. Schwanawock, Philadelphia.

Burglars at Greensburg, Pa., robbed the sales of Zahner & Co., an iron & steel, getting \$1,500 worth of notes from the former firm.

Thieves entered Harry Varnardale's residence at College Hill, Beaver county, and carried off about \$50 in money and a lot of wearing apparel.

Adam McQuillen, Sr., aged 85 years, of Clearfield, was killed at Woodland by a railroad train.

George Hilton, an Ashland, miner was killed by an explosion at the Springdale mines. He leaves a wife and child.

The body of a man, evidently a tramp, was found a short distance west of Tyrone, along the railroad tracks, with his throat cut from ear to ear.

John A. McClaren, the young man who fell from a culvert at Beaver Falls Sunday night, died from paralysis. He was 22 years old.

Arbitration in New Zealand.

One result of the recent democratic victory in New Zealand will be the passage of a compulsory arbitration law within six months, and it will not be long before this example is followed by the Australian colonies.

The greatest length of the United States from east to west is on the parallel of forty-five degree north latitude, that is to say, from Eastport, Me., on the Atlantic coast, to a point on the Pacific exactly fifty-two and a half miles due west of Salem, Ore. On the above parallel it is exactly 2,768 miles long.