

THE HIGHEST AWARD.

Royal Baking Powder has all the Honors—In Strength and Value 20 per cent. above its Nearest Competitor.

The Royal Baking Powder has the enviable record of having received the highest award for articles of its class—greatest strength, purest ingredients, most perfectly combined—wherever exhibited in competition with others.

At the recent World's Fair the examination for the baking powder awards were directed by the chief chemist of the Agricultural Department at Washington.

The chief chemist's official report of the tests of the baking powders, which was made for the specific purpose of ascertaining which was the best, shows the leavening strength of the Royal to be 160 cubic inches of carbonic gas per ounce of powder.

Of the cream of tartar baking powders exhibited, the next highest in strength tested contained but 133 cubic inches of leavening gas.

The other powders gave an average of 111. The Royal, therefore, was found to be twenty per cent. greater leavening strength than its nearest competitor.

It is these high qualities, known and appreciated by the women of the country for so many years, that have caused the sales of the Royal Baking Powder, as shown by statistics, to exceed the sale of all other baking powders combined.

ENGLAND has no monopoly of "grand old men." Good and great Marshal Canrobert, kneeling in the Chapel of the Invalides, when his fellow veteran MacMahon was brought home to his last rest under the same roof with Napoleon, furnished a splendid example of endurance amid the world's rough usage.

How's This? We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Following the well-known "you press the button" advertisement of a kodak firm, an Idaho undertaker came out with this awful head-line: "You kick the bucket and we do the rest."

Use BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES for Coughs, Colds and all other "Throat Troubles." "Pre-eminently the best."—Rev. Henry Ward Beecher.

A Missouri girl has a foot 15 1/2 inches long.

A wonderful stomach corrector—Beche's Pills. Bechean's—no others. 25 cents a box.

A Maine man recently ate 30 raw eggs in five minutes.

Hatch's Universal Cough Syrup costs no more than others and benefits more.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures



Mamie Adams

She Was Blind

With serofula in the eyes—could barely distinguish between day and night. I took her to numerous oculists and hospital and gave up in despair. A friend advised me to give Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and marvelous to relate, it has completely restored her sight and given her perfect health.

Hood's Pills cure sick headaches, biliousness and all liver ills. 25 cents a box.

MOTHER'S FRIEND

A remedy which if used by Wives before or during the painful ordeal attendant upon an infirmity, proves an infallible speed for, and obviates the tortures of confinement, lessening the dangers thereof to both mother and child.



FARM AND GARDEN

IF it pays to import sheep from abroad in order to improve our breeds, one would imagine it would also pay the sheep-raiser to study the process by which these sheep have been raised to their present state of excellence.

SCABBY LEGS AMONG CAGE BIRDS. The cause of scabby feet and legs among canary and other cage birds is the same as among domestic fowls, that is, the presence of mites, which breed and live in the scabs or scales on the feet and legs.

IMPROVED METHOD OF FATTENING POUCELS. Some time ago a method of fattening poultry practiced among the French was described in some of the American papers, its novelty giving interest to it.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES. Never jerk or whip a colt. Old-fashioned perennials are coming again. All weak queenless colonies should be united with others.

THE CARE OF SEED POTATOES. Successful growers of potatoes have learned that to insure a good crop the seed must be selected carefully the previous fall.

ECONOMY OF TIME. It is a great complaint with farmers that their time is wasted with unavoidable accidents, as sick animals, escaped stock, insect pests, and what not, writes Louise M. Fuller.

When the cat and chickens lie down together the latter are always given the inside place. Because turkeys are good foragers it will not pay to let them go without proper feeding.

Quinces do well in either sandy or clay soils, the principal requirements being fertility and good till. Generally, the smaller the farm the better the cultivation and the greater the profit for the expenditure.

It is not desirable to give too much red pepper and ginger to the poultry. Once or twice a week is sufficient. A good breed is not alone sufficient to make money. Good care, good food and good quarters are also necessary.

For horses ensilage should be used sparingly, as full feeding upon it sometimes induces colic, but it may be safely used to some extent in connection with grain and hay.

HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

KEEP A SET OF STRAINERS. There is nothing that makes so much difference between ordinary and delicate cooking as a set of strainers. It is important to own a collection.

THE IRONING OUTFIT. Whenever it is possible it is well to keep a separate closet for articles pertaining to ironing. Keep the irons, starch, bluing, holders, boards, sheet, blanket and other articles pertaining to ironing in this closet, which should be warm and dry and shut off from the dust.

HOW TO BAKE BREAD. Half the failures with housekeepers in making good bread, are due to their ignorance as to the proper condition of the oven for baking. For no matter how perfectly the sponge may rise or how well it is worked, if put in a cool oven it will be porous and tough.

THE PICKLED OLIVES OF TRADE are put up very carefully by the packers. They must first be picked by hand several weeks before they are matured. After being picked they are steamed in caustic soda and water. They are then soaked and pickled in brine for several days.

AN interesting occurrence at the Carlisle Indian School the other day was the marriage of Otto Wells, a full blooded Comanche, to Mary Parkhurst, an Oneida girl. After the ceremony they went to Wells's home, in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, where he is a tenant farmer. He is a graduate of the school, which he entered as a blanketed Indian boy.

SCRUBBING GEORGE WASHINGTON. Such people as walked down Wall street at 9 o'clock this morning saw an act of vandalism. Two colored men, with long handled brushes, were scrubbing the statue of George Washington in front of the Sub-Treasury building, and removing all the beauty which time and weather add to all bronzes.

WHY THEY DISLIKED HIM. Sir William Frazer records a suggestive story about a keeper at the Zoological Gardens. He had been employed on account of his supposed fondness for animals, but was soon found to have incurred the enmity of his charges. Their enmity was not shown at once, but presently became universal and strongly pronounced.

THE WILD STRAWBERRY is found over almost all the Northern Hemisphere above the thirty-eight parallel of latitude. Prussian troops on the Russian frontier have used snowshoes with satisfaction for several winters.

SELECT SIFTINGS.

GEOGRAPHY, as a science, was introduced into Europe by the Moors about 1240. The city of Benares, on the Ganges, is to the Hindoos the holiest place on earth.

A certain forest plant in Japan grows to be about six feet high in three weeks. The family with the longest known pedigree is that of Confucius, which feeds the aristocracy of China. Confucius lived 550 years B. C.

A pumpkin eight feet in circumference and four feet in height is an impressive object in the field in which it grew in Saline County, Missouri. By the force of a wave at Bishop's Rock lighthouse, the bell was torn from its fastenings, although situated 100 feet above high water mark.

A swarm of flies will make their appearance at a car window and easily keep pace with a train, even though it be rushing across the country forty miles an hour. The Grass Valley (Cal.) Telegraph recently recorded which reads: 'I hereby claim 1500 feet of this ground up Big Squaw Ravine in a wobbly direction.'

FREQUENTLY a kind of beryl was used in place of glasses, hence the German name of brille. The manufacture of spectacles was first carried on in Italy, afterward in Middleburg, in Holland, but as early as 1482 we have spectacle makers mentioned at Nuremberg.

THE street money-changer is an interesting character in Spanish cities. He stations himself at a principal street corner early every morning and exchanges a bag of coppers for silver. By 10 o'clock his bag is exhausted and he goes home. All the servants on their way to market get their money changed by him, as they are not skillful in counting and afraid of false coins.

THE glory of pieces in bronze is the patina which the wear and tear of the atmosphere puts on them. It takes years to accomplish this. I have watched with great interest the growth of patina on the Washington statue, and was astonished this morning to see the men scrubbing the statue and removing the patina. You would never see such a thing in Europe. We are young enough as it is, and there is no reason why we should try and make ourselves younger. Japan bronzes taken from the old temples are beautiful, and all because the patina is on them. It is vandalism to remove it.

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OVEREATING.

BECAUSE of the peculiar significance which now attaches to the word "temperance," we should not forget that "Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things," and that it is just as binding on us to show moderation in our use of the necessities of life as in our use of its luxuries.

IT is obvious that the body must have rich, force-supplying food in order to carry on its daily tasks. Yet the fact is often overlooked that an over supply of food to the body, like overcoaling the steam engine, is productive of nothing but waste. More steam is made than can be used.

NOT only are we inflicting the stomach with an unnecessary amount of work when we crowd it with food, but we are to the same extent imposing upon the other organs. As a matter of fact, it is the liver which generally gets the brunt of the extra burden, though the heart and kidneys are also affected to a greater or less degree.

AMONG the disorders caused by this superfluous condition are hemorrhoids or bleeding piles. To ascertain the proper proportion between the demand and supply of the body, one must consider not only the peculiar needs of each person, but the season of the year. Heat is the unit of force in the body; but while force-supplying food may be as necessary in summer as in winter, the need for fats, or hydro-carbons, as they are called, to maintain the bodily heat is by no means so urgent.

THE man who has to live on corn bread at home, who finds the most fault with the pie when he travels. THERE ought to be a reformation in the habits of sculptors; they are frequently on a bust.

WHEN some people say they are willing to do anything for Christ, they mean anything that is popular.

"August Flower" For two years I suffered terribly with stomach trouble, and was for all that time under treatment by a physician. He finally, after trying everything, said my stomach was worn out, and that I would have to cease eating solid food.

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KNOWLEDGE

BRINGS comfort and improvement and tends to personal enjoyment when rightly used. The many, who live better than others and enjoy life more, with less expenditure, by more promptly adapting the world's best products to the needs of physical being, will attest the value to health of the pure liquid laxative principles embraced in the remedy, Syrup of Figs.

ITs excellence is due to its presenting in the form most acceptable and pleasant to the taste, the refreshing and truly beneficial properties of a perfect laxative; effectually cleansing the system, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers and permanently curing constipation. It has given satisfaction to millions and met with the approval of the medical profession, because it acts on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels without weakening them and it is perfectly free from every objectionable substance.

Syrup of Figs is for sale by all druggists in 50c and \$1 bottles, but it is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, whose name is printed on every package, also the name, Syrup of Figs, and being well informed, you will not accept any substitute if offered.

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