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Money is plentiful and cheap. The revolution in Uruguay has been suppressed. The Russian gold reserve is said to be growing.

Only 172 daily newspapers are published in England. Iowa has an ox that recently trotted a mile in 3.57.

Affairs in financial and commercial circles are at a standstill. Business failures are decreasing in number and importance.

Port Leavenworth (Kan.) convicts will build a new prison for themselves. The gold reserve in the United States Treasury is steadily moving upward.

The members of the Kentucky Legislature have hired detectives to watch each other. Dr. Otto Sutter has made a new nose for William Lewis, of Chicago, who lost his original one from cancer, resulting from the bite of a centipede.

A Minneapolis (Minn.) man has asked the courts to place his wife in the hands of a receiver.

The Wonderful Kava-Kava Shrub.

A New Botanical Discovery.—Of Special Interest to Sufferers from Diseases of the Kidneys or Bladder, Rheumatism, etc.—A Blessing to Humanity. A Free Gift of Great Value to You. Our readers will be glad to know that the new botanical discovery, Alkaviss, from the wonderful Kava-Kava shrub has proved an assured cure for all diseases caused by Uric acid in the blood, or by disorder of the kidneys or urinary organs. The Kava-Kava shrub, or as botanists call it, *Piper Methysticum*, grows on the banks of the Gauges river, East India, and probably was first used for centuries by the natives before its extraordinary properties became known to civilization through Christian missionaries. In this respect it resembles the discovery of quinine from the peruvian bark, made known by the Indians to the early Jesuit missionaries in South America, and by them brought to civilized man. It is a wonderful discovery, with a record of 1200 hospital cures in 30 days. It acts directly upon the blood and kidneys, and is a true specific, just as quinine is in malaria. We have the strongest testimony of many ministers of the gospel, well known doctors and business men cured by Alkaviss, when all other remedies had failed.

In the *New York Weekly World* of Sept. 10th, the testimony of Rev. W. B. Moore, D. D., of Washington, D. C. was given, describing his years of suffering from disease and rheumatism, and his rapid cure by Alkaviss. Rev. Thomas Smith, the Methodist minister at Colden, Illinois, writes: "I was afflicted with gravel stones after two weeks' use of Alkaviss. Rev. John H. Watson, of Sunset, Texas, a minister of the gospel of thirty years' service, was struck down at his post of duty by kidney disease. After hovering between life and death for two months, and all his doctors having failed, he took Alkaviss, and was completely restored to health and strength, and is fulfilling his duties as minister of the gospel. Mr. E. C. Wood, a prominent attorney of Lowell, Indiana, was cured of rheumatism, kidney and bladder disease of ten years standing, by Alkaviss. Mr. Wood describes himself as being in constant misery, often compelled to rise ten times during the night on account of weakness of the bladder. He was treated by all his home physicians without the least benefit, and finally completely cured in a few weeks by Alkaviss. The testimony is undoubted and really wonderful. Mrs. James Young, of Kenton, Ohio, writes: "I was afflicted with dropsy in my legs, that was about to give up in despair, when she found Alkaviss and was promptly cured. Many other ladies also testify to the wonderful curative powers of Alkaviss in the various disorders of women to which it is applied. So far the Church Kidney Cure Company, No. 424 Fourth Avenue, New York, are the only importers of this new remedy, and they are so anxious to prove its value that for the sake of introduction they will send a free treatise of Alkaviss prepaid by mail to every reader of this paper who is a sufferer from any form of Kidney or Bladder disorder, Bright's Disease, Rheumatism, Dropsy, Gravel, Pain in Back, Female Complaints, or other affliction due to improper action of the Kidneys or Urinary Organs. We advise all sufferers to send their names and address to the company, and receive the Alkaviss free. It is sent to you entirely free, to prove its wonderful curative powers.

At this time of ordering seeds for the kitchen garden, says Alice E. Piney, in the *American Agriculturist*, it is a good plan to have a few of these indispensable plants which need so little space, and so little care, and are really among the most handsome. Already you are longing for some horse-radish, but how few farmers have it in their gardens. There may be one man in a neighborhood who raises it, and if you hunt pretty strong he may give you a few roots, enough for one grating; but when the whole neighborhood hints he will doubtless have to cease tending the hints. If he gives you any roots this year, you had better plant them, and it might be a good investment for you to buy a few. It would be as profitable as buying the small cans all prepared from your grocer. If you want to avoid snarling eyes, put on your wraps and sit out on the veranda to grate it. In the open air the work is not at all troublesome. Another early spring relish, which need not be planted in the garden, but will grow equally well on the waste ground beside pigsty, farmyard, etc., is the Jerusalem artichoke. When dug early, before anything of the kind can be grown, they taste fresh and crisp, and when sliced and seasoned with salt, pepper and vinegar, they are almost as nice as cucumbers. Sage is a very useful herb and one that is often conspicuous by its absence from

FARM GARDEN

THE MEDITERRANEAN BREED OF FOWLS

The Mediterranean breed of fowls which are the most abundant egg producers are very apt to lay eggs with thin shells. They must have abundance of gravel to grind their food with out home to make the material for both egg and shell. But usually these breeds do not begin laying until the weather is warm enough for them to range and forage for themselves. If the fowls are now laying thin-shelled eggs they are probably of the Asiatic breeds or those related to them, including Plymouth Rocks. In such case it shows you have been giving too much grain, fattening the fowls instead of increasing the egg product. Because wheat is good egg-producing food, it is often fed in too large quantity. Wheat is quite as fattening as corn, and should be fed lightly every day, as a supplement to cut clover, beet roots or other vegetable matter, which should always form part of the fowls' diet in winter.—Boston Cultivator.

HOW SALT HELPS ASPARAGUS.

The New York Farmer takes exception to the too-repeated statement that salt is necessary to asparagus, because the plant in its wild state is mostly found near the seashore, and thrives where salt spray can reach it. The Farmer argues that this merely proves that the salt is not injurious, and per contra that the plant is successfully grown hundreds of miles inland, and that without the use of salt. While this may and does show that salt is not absolutely necessary to grow asparagus, it cannot prove that it is not useful. The salt may not be a constituent of the asparagus plant, yet it may help its growth in other ways. If applied heavily it will check or destroy weed growth, while not injuring the asparagus plants, which have been for thousands of years subjected to showings from salt sea spray. But in smaller doses the salt will help make soil fertility more available, for salt is one of the best solvents known. Asparagus does best on very rich soil. If made so with stable manure much of this manure takes a long time to get into condition for plant use. Hence on general principles salt ought to be applied in small amounts to gardens or other rich soil for nearly all crops. It helps the soil hold moisture by attracting it from the air. The best crop is especially helped by salt.

MILKING QUALITY OF BREEDERS.

We hear very little said about the milk producing capacity of any kind of animal except the cow, whose milk is in this country the only kind much used by man. But in parts of Europe too rough or too poor to support cows, the milk of the goat and sheep is very largely used. As milked by the human hand, and possibly given better care and feed than they get while running wild, both goat and sheep develop greatly increased milking capacity. In Arabia and among the Tartars the milk from mares does not go long to suckle the colt, which is quickly partly weaned, while a portion of the supply from his dam is diverted to making the Koumyse, drink that has valuable nutritive qualities, and which is made by fermenting mare's milk.

PLENTY OF AIR FOR COWS.

The supply of fresh air must be a constant one, but the means by which it is obtained must in some way be controlled, so there will always be enough and never a great excess. We know of no self-regulating arrangement for accomplishing this. It can only be accomplished by constant and careful attention. Whether the air be admitted through windows and doors or through specially constructed ventilating shafts is immaterial, provided it is admitted and care is exercised that no animal shall be rendered uncomfortable by standing in a draught. It should also be borne in mind that fresh air will enter most readily on the windward side with an opening for the outward blow of second-hand air on the opposite side. Each mature cow needs not less than 3200 cubic inches of new air every minute. This is 2600 cubic feet in the twenty-four hours, and the supply must be constant. She cannot get a day's supply during the few minutes she may be in the open air getting the water she needs. Neither can she get it during the day and then be sealed up for the night to constantly use the same supply. She can drink enough in five minutes and eat enough in two hours to satisfy her needs for a day, but fifteen or eighteen times a minute, 900 times an hour, she must have her supply of fresh air. And this each hour in the day, and each day of her life.—F. L. Russell, Veterinarian, Maine, in *Massachusetts Ploughman*.

INDISPENSIBLE FOR THE KITCHEN GARDEN.

A curious story, which comes from Caen, is told by the Paris correspondent of the *London Morning Post*. A. M. Duboscq was duck-shooting at the mouth of the River Orne when a whale rose near his boat. He fired both barrels of his gun into the animal, which dived. The water being very shallow, the whale soon rose again, whereupon M. Duboscq jumped upon its back and began stabbing it with a large knife. He was tossed into the sea, but returned to the attack and finally succeeded in driving the whale ashore. M. Duboscq has sold his capture to a company, and it has been towed to Caen. It is fifteen years since a whale was captured on this part of the French coast.

California Fruit Pioneer. Californians are trying to place on record who and what part of the State started the great business of fruit raising. So far the evidence seems to be in favor of a Mr. Wolfskill, who planted eighty acres of apricots and peaches and 6000 grapes in the town of Winters, in Selena County, in 1851. In 1855 the first apricots from these trees were sold.—Pittsburg Dispatch.



Most men feel more at home when their wives aren't. People who live in glass houses should have the panes frosted. Love is like a tailor-made dress—it's made by a man and worn out by a woman. Very few women were so good when they were girls that they think their daughters don't need watching. When a man is elected President he wishes he could feel as big as the day he first got shaved by a barber. A woman asks a man's advice about her clothes about the way she asks a dog if he likes to have his head patted.

A woman who insists on wearing a man's hat and collar ought to be made to marry a man who makes up his face. It is generally conscience that makes a man look over his shoulder when he passes a small boy with a snowball. Generally when a girl calls a man a pet name, she can be pretty sure some other girl has called him the same name before.

After he has been married a couple of years a man has just about as many buttons off as his wife has pins in her clothes. When you are calling on a girl and take the cigars out of your vest pocket and lay them on the mantel she always pretends not to notice it.

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REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR

Freeman, the historian, was apt to grow irritable over matters of intellectual difference. One day he was at the Macmillans', and when the conversation turned upon the subject of Ireland Mr. Macmillan said that, for his part, he was in favor of granting autonomy. This set Freeman to growling at the use of a Greek word. "Why can't you speak English," said he, "and say Home Rule, instead of using Greek, which you don't know?" One of the guests flushed with anger, and ventured to reproach him, calling his attention to the respect due their host, and at the same time paying tribute to Mr. Macmillan's remarkable abilities. But although Freeman did not apologize in so many words, he smoothed the matter over by a humorous repetition of his criticism. Later in the evening gait was mentioned. "There again!" he exclaimed. "Why can't we call it toe-woe?" Everybody laughed, and the breach was healed.

A Place Offered to Colonel Grant. President McKinley and Secretary Alger tendered the post of Assistant Secretary of War to Colonel Frederick D. Grant, son of General U. S. Grant. He is now a New York City Police Commissioner.

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