THE SLEEPTTIME.

dear! the stars are blinking, repy moon is low, the winds among the leaves all forgot to blow; dear, and say good night! sep you all the night!



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Mr. Julian, you will finish out the matter with us?"

And Mr. Julian, who liked the great linden trees of Brabazon Court, the sweet breath of the Noisette roses, and the atmosphere of sleepy, golden balm that surrounded its wide verands, assented without more persuasion.

Myrtle was calm now, and composed.

"Please don't pity me, Mr. Julian!" said she. "I—I begin to think I have

And she fainted in the old lady's carms.

Would he not interfere in her behalf? Would he allow her to be exiled thus in spite of herself?

"Then," said he, slowly, "it is unnecessary for me to say anything. The matter may be considered as settled. A majority vote has been cast in favor of the school project."

"That and "Oh, certainly," uttered the major and his sister, in one breath, and Myrtle got up and ran out of the room.

"A pretty little child," said Mr. Julian unswired, with a spoiled one, I'm afraid," sighed Major Brabazon.

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"A sadly thoughtless creature," remarked Miss Porothea, shaking her

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Brussels sprouts came from Leigum; beets are native to the south-east seacoast of Europe; sage came from South Europe; The arrowroot is from South America.

Potatoes are native to Peru, and the Spaniards discovered them. From Spain they passed into Italy and Bel-giune.

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Melons were grown by the old Greeks and Romans, and were carried to America by Columbra. The watermelon is native to Africa.

The cabbage still grows wild in Greece, where it originated. Radishes were native to China, but have been grown in Europe for centuries.

The cauliflower came from Cyprus.

At the Carlisle (Penn.) Training school \$10,000 will be invested in new thletic grounds.

ing winter. This is perhaps the best means of ridding the soil of these "worms."—Floral World.

Care in Watering.

If soils are not fully porous naturally, or if they are well filled with roots, it is quite common at this season for plants to fail when good care seems to be given. The trouble, too often, is that the water given rushes through some fissure, or else does not pass through at all; and, in either case, the plant does not receive the root watering which the owner apparently gives. The motions are gone through, without the proper result. This state of things is especially bad for decorative stuff like aspidistras, palms and ferns. One severe drying at the root may destroy the usefulness of such plants. For this reason let the grower be sure the water applied reaches its destination and does its work. It may be a good idea to plunge the pot in a tub of water.—Floral World.

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One of the farm economies which we hope to see in every neighborhood, if not on every farm, are small portable mills run by two or three-horse power engines, with which all the coarse grain needed for feeding to stock may be ground. This will provide profitable winter work on farms, of which there is now far too little. It will also save much expense, not only in millers' tolls, but also in the cost of making a trip to mill with horses or wagons or sleighs, and probably waiting several hours while the grist was being ground. Many a day we have spent thus, with no profit except to the miller, while if we had a farm mill, and even a horse power, we could have made the horses grind their own feed without much more labor than is required to draw a grist of grain to the mill and return, and perhaps in a stormy day at that. All grain is much better for stock after it is ground. It can then be mixed with cut hay or straw, all of which should also be cut by horse or steam power rather than by hand. The farm mill is now sold at very reasonable rates, and one of suitable size to do all the grinding required on the farm ought to be in the possession of every farmeer.—Boston Cultivator.

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It was not without good reason that Eastern farmers abandoned flax growing. Its doom was sealed when the cotton gin and successive improvements in cotton-spinning machinery flax almost entirely superseded for common wear those of flax. In winter even a good part of the clothing is made of cotton, though woolen may be worn next the skin and in the outer garments. Flax is an expensive crop of for the farmer to grow. If the most possible is to be made from it, the flax in must be pulled, and the entire plant immersed in water until its woody fibre has rotted. It is expensive in still another way, also. No crop takes so much nitrogen from the soil, and, as usually managed, makes no return. The seed is sold at very low prices to the oil mills, which extract the oil and dispose of the meal that is left after grinding the flax as aby product. Whoever buys this linseed meal and feeds it gets a double benefit. The meal is worth more than its cost price if fed to stock, and excrement made from it is worth mearly as much as the meal costs. For this reason the Eastern farmer is often an extensive buyer of oil meal, but he very seldom, in these days, grows the flax from which it is made. Spinning and weaving flax, once so common among New England housewives, have besome really lost arts since the increasing popularity of cotton.

The cotton has also been so greatly reduced in price that it is very unlikely that the days will ever return when flax will be as extensively used for clothing as it was within the memory of elderly people. And yet for summer wear and for durability linen garments are so much superior to cotton goods that they will always be should? I am afraid we do not. The older I grow the more I value manure.

Do we farmers value manure as we should? I am afraid we do not. The older I grow the more I value manure, at I have a saying that every load of country produce I see going into town I have a saying that every load of country produce I see going into town I have been one farm hand, and we h

Fattening Old Cows.

There is a widespread popular prejudice against cow beef, and we suspect that the doctors are very largely responsible for it. Yet we have so often eaten tender and sweet to cow beef that our experience long ago taught us that its quality was much more dependent on the way it had a been fattened than it was on the age of the cow. But it is, nevertheless, true it is more difficult to fatten an old cow, or an old animal of any kind, than it is to fatten young animals. As the teeth begin to fail the food is not so well masticated as it used to be, and as a consequence digestion is retarded. The presence of undigested food in the stomach creates fever, and in this diseased condition not only does the animal fatten less rapidly, but what flesh is put on is less tender and sweet than it should be. The common practice of fattening cows with corn and milking them so long as they can be milked helps to make poor beef. The water and fat that go into the milk are both much more needed in the beef to make it as good as it should be.

A cow properly fattened should be given as much succulent food as she will eat, and at first fed with grain or meal rather sparingly. If she is very thin in flesh her beef may be made all the better, provided this condition does not show the impairment of her digestive organs. When a cow is fattened that when you begin feeding her is little more than skin and bones, with enough flesh to hold them together, it stands to reason that most of the flesh and fat you can put on her so the properly fattened that when you begin feeding her is little more than skin and bones, with enough flesh to hold them together, it stands to reason that most of the flesh and fat you can put on her stands to reason that most parts of it are renewed much guicker than this, as any one may see by the rapid healing of a cut or bruise when ar and the germs it contains are excluded from it.

Old cows sell at ridiculously low prices, as may be seen each week sold for only \$16. This cow may have excluded

by this pronunciation, now so common.

The Indians name the creeks throughout the country from some characteristic in connection with the stream itself; and as this one is so swift that in order to set their salmon traps or nets they were obliged to use a hammer to drive the stakes to anchor them, the creek was named by them Hammer Creek, or, in their language, phonetically, Troan Dik. The spelling Klondike means obsolutely nothing, but has been accepted, so I learn, by the Board of Geographical Names of the United States.

A newly discovered Spanish stone

A newly discovered Spanish stone has proved so well adapted to lithographic work that a large company has been formed, which threatens to overthrow the Bavarian monopoly in lithographic stones.

There is to be a new electric light-house placed on Fire Island, off Long Island, that will have the estimated power of 45,000,000 candles, making it the most powerful artificial light in the world.

the world.

If the inhabitants of the fixed stars had powerful enough telescopes to see us, they would not see us as we are to-day, but as we were fifty, 100 years, or even longer ago, for it would take light that long to travel to them.

One of the attractions of the Paris Exposition in 1900 will be a huge picture of the coronation of the tear. The canvas will contain 200 nearly life-size portraits, and odd devices will be resorted to in an effort to produce an atmosphere of realism.

The radiation of the heat from the sun is not eternal; it had its beginning and will have its end. If the sun radiates light and heat in all directions it cannot be more than 100,000,000 years, old. This is Lord Kelvin's estimate. At the present rate the sun will continue from seven to fifteen millions of years, but the end will surely come.

The nervous system, says Professor W. H. Thomson, has a greater store of reserve vitality than all the other bodity systems together, and is the only texture that does not lose weight in death by starvation or other cause. It is the last to grow old. As to the mind, it need not grow old at all, provided it be supplied with mighty stimulous called interest, by which it will grow steadily, even while bone and sinew are wasting through age.

According to a reliable computation, a single tree is able through its leaves to purify the air from the carbonic acid achied by a human being in the course of twenty-four hours is estimated at 100 gallons, and a single square yard of leaf surface, connting both the upper and under sides of the leaves, can decompose about a gallon of carbonic acid a flay and under sides of the leaves, can decompose about a gallon of carbonic acid of a German publication, a chemist of that country has prepared a fluid that has the power when injected into the tissue of a plant near its roots of naesthetizing the plant. The plant does not die, but stops growing, maintaining its fresh, green appearance, though its vitality is apparently suspended. It is also independent of the

Strange Money in the Mountains.

"The strangest money I ever saw," said a drummer for a Main street house the other evening, "was in the mountain districts in Kentucky and West Virginia. Last summer I was making my semi-annual tour through this district and I stopped one day at a little grocery and saloon, not to sell goods, but to get a drink of the "mountain dew." While I was pouring out my drink a big husky mountaineer entered the place and called for a drink. As he finished galping it down he reached into a big bulky pocket and drew forth what looked to be a coonskin. He laid the skin"on the counter, the barkeeper took the skin and opening a drawer, hauled out a rabbit skin, which I suppose was the change. The mountaineer picked up the rabbit skin and started to the front 'part of the store, which was the grocery. He there bought a twist of tobacco and tendered the rabbit skin in payment. He received a big twist of long green, and I was surprised to see the store-keeper reach in another drawer and tendere him a squirrel skin. The mountaineer tucked the squirrel skin in his pocket, walked out. unhitched his horse and rode away.
"I became interested and engaged the proprietor in conversation. He told me that sometimes he would go months without seeing any real money, and 'that the mountaineers used the skins in all kinds of trades, such as buying horses, etc. He said that four times a year a hide buyer from Lexington or Cincinnati visited this country and bought up all the skins, which were generally concentrated in the few stores in the vicinity."—Louisville Dispatch.

Makes His Own Money.

A man who has been an immate of the asylum at Pontiac for many years has devoted every moment of his spare time in manufacturing what he fondly supposes to be bank notes. His process of manufacture is very simple and unvarying. Placing a piece of paper of bank note size over the decorated border of the cover of a book, he rubs heel ball over the paper and thus obtains a replica of the pretty part, as he calls it. Having f

Oldest Woman Writer.

Mme. Du Bois d'Elbhecque is the oldest living woman who earns her living with her pen. She is ninety years old and lives in a convent near Angiers, France. In the seventy-nine years in which she has been writing she has published over forty books.



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The earliest recorded history—we might say prehistoric, the hieroglyphical—that has come down to use has been in carvings on ivory and bone. Long before metallurgy was known among the prehistoric races, carvings on reindeer horn and mammont tusks evidence the antiquity of the art. Fragments of horn and ivory, engraved with excellent pictures of animals, have been found in caves and beds of rivers and lakes. There are specimens in the British miseum, also in the Louvre, of the Egyptian skill in ivory carving, attributed to the age of Moses. In the latter collection are chairs or seats of the sixteenth century, B. C., thaid with ivory, and other pieces of the eleventh century. B. C., we have already referred to the Ninevah ivories. Carving of the "precious substance" was extensively carried on at Constantinople during the middle ages; combs, caskets, horns, boxes, etc., of carved ivory and hone, often set in precious stones, of the old Roman and Anglo-Saxon periods, are frequently found in tombs. Crucifixes and images of the virgin and saints made in that age are often graceful and beautiful. The Chinese and Japanese are rival artists now in their peculiar minutae and detail.—Popular Science Monthly.

Turkish Army Rations.

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Correspondents who accompanied the Turkish army during the recent war with Greece refer often to the dietary habits of the Turks. Pilau, or pilaff, the national dish, receives great praise. It is what we should call a chowder, composed of lamb, rice, butter, almonds, raisins, allspice, powdered mace, cardamoms, cloves, saffron, onion, ginger, salt, whole black pepper and dhiey. The butter and onions are placed in the bottom of the earthen pot; then a layer of rice, over which are distributed more onions, raisins and almonds, sprinkled with saffron in water; then a layer of ment, and so on alternately until the vessel is filled. Butter is then poured over the whole, and the cover of the pot is closed with paste so that no steam may escape. It is placed in an oven and cooked for three hours.—New York Sun.

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A single tree in an orchard near Corvallis, Ore, has yielded this season nine hundred pounds of Bartlett pears.

The trouble with a great many men is they are never satisfied with wasting their own time.

Japanese women wear neither corsets nor stays of any description. Their costumes are doubtless worn with real Japanease.

The first thing a girl does when she has mastered a kodak, is to put the palm on the plano and take a picture of it.

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Englishwomen are making vigorous efforts to secure smoking compartments for women on railroad trains according to the London Daily Mail.

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