

When American armies were in Cuba the island was almost depleted of cattle, a vast number of the animals having been killed for food. Now the ranchmen and farmers are busy stocking up again and have made heavy drafts on Florida, which, as a consequence, has about been stripped of its better grades of cattle.

**Valuable Almanac Free.**  
We have received a copy of the new almanac for 1901 published by the Royal Baking Powder Co. It is an artistic and useful book, and will be of interest to housekeepers. A noteworthy feature of the almanac is a prediction of the weather for every day of the year by Professor DeVoe, who correctly prophesied the great Galveston cyclone and other important meteorological events. We are authorized to say that any woman reader of this paper can secure a copy without cost by sending a request to the company at 100 William street, New York.

North Carolina, in colonial days, was called the "Old North Colony," and the name with State instead of colony, has been retained to the present time. It has also been called "Tartan State," from the importance of this article in the list of its exports.

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With local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease, cataract is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Cataract Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Cataract Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing cataract. Send for testimonials, free.  
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**PETNAME WARELESS DYES** do not stain the hands or spot the kettle. Sold by all druggists.

A test has been made which shows that a rock can fly 60 miles an hour. The hawk makes 150 miles in the same time.

Attar of roses sells at \$100 an ounce, which is exactly five times the value of gold.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOYER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

The mackerel fishing on the south and southwest coasts of Ireland has been a failure this year.

Kansas City is to have a big banana warehouse, large enough to hold 25 carloads.

**A Headache Cure Not Composed of Harmful Drugs.**  
Garfield Headache Powders enjoy the distinction of being Absolutely Pure, Effective and Harmless; they are made from Herbs.

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## PEARLS OF THOUGHT.

Conceit is self-deceit.  
True courtesy is of the heart.  
Purity is not negative, but positive.  
An honor bought dishonestly is a dishonor.  
Don't measure a well until you get to the bottom.  
A brave man hazards life, but not his conscience.  
A thing is not necessarily true because it is new.  
Readiness in criticism often marks ignorance of the task.  
The greatest cowards kick the dead lion most heartily.  
When a man is dead to the sense of right he is lost forever.  
No toil, no hardship can restrain ambitious men inured to pain.  
Any coward can fight with the mighty, but it takes a strong man to side with the weak.  
The saving of one convict's soul is striking one blow toward the stamping out of hereditary vice.  
Something the things you want always seem to come to you just as you've left off wanting them.  
A life of patient industry is sure to be blessed with a competence, if it is not crowned with an abundant remuneration.

## ARISTOCRATS OF THE FIELD.

**Vegetables and Flowers Which Look Down Upon Old-time Varieties.**  
It has come to be well understood generally that farther North either animal or vegetable life is developed the better that development is, so that the South and Southern planters are just as anxious to obtain Northern-grown seed as are their brethren of the North.  
The improvements that have been made in both vegetables and flowers during recent years seem scarcely less than marvelous to one whose attention is for the first time directed thereto. There is scarcely a vegetable seed on the list, from artichokes to turnips; scarcely a flower seed, from abutilon to zinnia, that does not present today a great advance over those varieties as known 20 years ago. Notably is the evolution of the great, glowing, velvety pansy of today from the little "Johnnie-Jump-Up" of a quarter of a century back. And equally striking has been the betterment of vegetables, in the annals of which a curious instance is recorded of accidental hybridization in the discovery of a wrinkled pea in a pod of the common white Marrowfat, some 40 or 50 years ago, by Dr. Charles Fairbaird, of England. Struck by the appearance of the pea, so entirely unlike anything he had ever seen before, the doctor saved and planted it; and this single pea, thus preserved, was the progenitor of the magnificent race of sweet, green, wrinkled varieties, which are fit for table use. It is to this quality of close and patient observation on the part of specialists that we are indebted for the great improvements referred to.  
By means of this cultivation the Dakotas have displaced the dwarfed "squaw corn" that scarcely lifted its tasseled head higher than the prairie grass by some of the finest varieties of corn that can be produced, ears a foot long, and stalks six feet high being the rule and not the exception, and in some instances worth \$3 a bushel for planting. Nor is it in corn alone that this section of our great country excels, for Minnesota is today one of the greatest clover producing states of the Union, the seed grown there commanding the highest prices in the markets of the world.—Philadelphia Record.

## Dolls' Furs Sold in the Cities.

This is the season when its owner looks out to see that dolly shall be carefully protected against the cold when taken out for an airing. So the dolls' furs are brought into use; or, if the doll has none, some are bought for it. These may be found in considerable variety of style, material and price. Dolls' furs include muffs, and collarettes and boas. All these things are made in various sizes and then are commonly sold in sets. As to material, the costlier are made of a fur in imitation of ermine and of seal-skin, such furs being lined with silk or with satin, in one color and another, and muffs and collarettes finished just as those for grown-up people would be.  
Dolls' furs, according to the material of which they are made and the style of finish, sell at from 50 cents, or perhaps less, a set, up to \$3. They are, of course, sold only in the colder parts of the country, where furs would ordinarily be worn. And while there are some articles of dolls' equipment that, like the dolls themselves, are sold in city and country alike, dolls' furs are sold chiefly in cities.—New York Sun.

## The Highest Dwelling Places.

The highest dwelling places occur in the tropics. In the Cordilleres and in the Himalaya mountains there are inhabited spots in altitudes of 13,500 feet and in Tibet even as high as 16,000 feet. In Switzerland the highest inhabited spots occur in the Canton of Wallis, the highest one being situated on the Alpe de Lona, 8276 feet, and three hours' walk from Grimsen, in the Eflish valley. The highest cereal (wheat) producing fields of Switzerland are those situated near the little village of Findeloy, in an altitude of 7140 feet above the level of the sea. In Italy the highest inhabited spot is on the Alpe de Ponton, in Congo, to the south of Oosta, nearly 8300 feet high.

## Suez Canal to be Widened.

The Suez canal is to be deepened and widened, if Mr. Linden W. Bates, the London hydraulic engineer, who is now at Suez, reports that the work can be done within a reasonable figure. The Canal Company hopes that the great waterway can be enlarged by the use of dredges, which are comparatively inexpensive. There is great need of more room in the channel, for ships have been growing ever greater, while the canal has remained unchanged.  
Mr. Bates, who is now going over the canal in enroute to Queensland, for whose government he has built three colossal dredges on the Tyne. These are to be used in clearing the harbors of Queensland of mud and detritus. The largest of the trio is the Hercules, a sea-going dredge of 5,000 horse-power, and, by permission of the Queensland government, it will be held over for a time and experiments made under the direction of Mr. Bates. If it proves that dredging is a satisfactory method of enlarging the waterway between the Red Sea and the Mediterranean, the Suez Canal Company will proceed forthwith to arrange for improvement on a large scale.  
Both the war office and the colonial office are concerned in the enlargement of the canal, and the request made to Mr. Bates to go to Suez was endorsed by the latter department.

## Electricity in the Schools.

In an article in the current number of Success Thomas A. Edison makes some hopeful predictions for electricity. He says: "Not only as a motive power for massive enterprises will electricity find uses during the coming half century, but it will also be applied to the 'gentler sciences,' if I may use the term. By this I mean surgery, optics and astronomy, but greater minds than mine must dwell on this particular branch of electrical usage. Already we have surgical instruments that are being operated by electricity with gratifying success; indeed, they have gone beyond the experimental stage. It will find a large field in the operation of manufacturing machinery, as the Niagara Falls plant shows, and it may even extend to the airship, but I think it best to confine its use to the earth, until these uses have been exhausted.  
"Electricity as a science should be made one of the several studies in every school in the land. It should rank with spelling and arithmetic; for, the more it is used, the more potent it becomes as an important element in all of the world's general affairs, and its value, in connection with practical business and business affairs, cannot be given too prominent a place in America's future."

## Indigo to be Displaced.

British manufacturers have not thought it worth while to study the progressive chemistry of aniline or naphthol dyes, says a London correspondent to the Paris Messenger. They have been content to leave the field open to Germany, and the result is now obvious. Time was when British aniline dyes commanded the market of the world. It is impossible to understand why that market was ever lost. Nothing but indifference can account for it, and then we have to explain the indifference, which is impossible. At any rate, the market has gone, and there is not an aniline or naphthol dye used at the present day which is not produced in Germany.  
The industry of the manufacture of British dyes is dead, and the industry in British India of the growth of indigo will follow it. Behar and other provinces will feel it, and it will mean the ruin of innumerable natives who have lived year after year on the produce of indigo. Dyeing with indigo, however, is at best a clumsy and prolonged process. It means immersion in various compounds according to the material of the fabric to be dyed.  
Like indigo, the new German dye provides for a single bath. So confident are the manufacturers of the success of their product that a considerable sum has been spent on the necessary productive plant, and the new year will witness the advent of the new dye. Save as a specialty indigo will not last beyond a year or two, and then another British industry will have succumbed to German competition.

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## PISO'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION

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