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HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.

We invite communications from all person who are interested in matters properly belonging to this department.

Greasing Axles.

On the authority of the *Carriage Monthly*, more injury is done to carriages and wagons by greasing too much than the reverse. Tallow is the best lubricant for wood axles, and castor oil for iron. Lard and common grease are apt to penetrate the hub, and work their way out around the tenons of the spokes and spoil the wheel. For common wood axles, just enough grease should be applied to the spindle to give it a light coating. To oil an iron axle, first wipe clean with a cloth wet with turpentine, and then apply a few drops of castor oil near the shoulder, and end. One teaspoonful is enough for the four wheels. Carriages are sometimes oiled so much that their appearance is spoiled by having the grease spattered upon their varnished surfaces. When they are washed in that condition, the grease is sure to be transferred to the chamois from the wheels, and from thence on to the panels.

To Remove Grease from Cloth.

Grease may be removed from cloth by means of a little soft or curd soap dissolved in water and mixed with oxgall. The spots of grease or dirt must first be touched with the liquid all over, and then well rubbed with a stiff brush until they are removed; after which they may be well rubbed all over with a brush or sponge dipped into some warm water, to which the previous mixture and a little more oxgall have been added. When this has been properly done it remains to rinse the article thoroughly in clean water until the latter passes off uncolored, when the garment should be hung up to dry. For dark-colored cloths, the common practice s to add some fuller's earth to the mixture of soap and gall. When nearly dry, the nap should be laid right, and the article carefully pressed; after which a brush moistened with a drop or two of olive oil should be several times passed over it, which will give it a superior finish.

☞ Sweet-Breads, which people are either very fond of or can't abide, are to be cooked in this way, according to Mrs. H. W. Beecher, who is a notable housewife: Stewed—Wash, remove all the bits of skin, soak in salt and water an hour, then parboil; when half cooked take from the fire, cut in small pieces, stew in a little water till tender; add a piece of butter, a teaspoonful of salt, a teaspoonful of flour, and boil up once. Serve on toast very hot. Fried—after lying in salt and water put them into cold water a ew minutes, then dry on a cloth thoroughly, fry them with little strips of salt pork or dip in beaten egg and roll in bread crumbs, and fry in hot lard; or draw ittle strips of salt pork through the sweet-bread with a larding needle, fry till the pork is crisp then dip in beaten egg, and roll in bread crumbs, pour over half a cup of rich cream, stir in one teaspoonful of flour and let it boil up for a few minutes, and serve hot. Broiled—Parboil after soaking in salt and water, then rub well with butter and broil. Turn often, and dip in melted butter to prevent them from becoming hard and dry.

Frosted Rice Pudding.

One cup of rice boiled in one pint of water until dry, then add one pint of milk and boil again. Add the juice and grated rind of one lemon, the yolks of four eggs, and one-half cup of sugar. Stir well together and bake slowly for one hour. Beat the our whites of the eggs to a stiff froth and add one cup of powdered sugar; spread on the pudding and brown lightly.

Delmonico Hash.

Take cold roast lamb or mutton; throw away the fat portions; chop very fine, and add water enough to make it quite thin; boil in a frying-pan; add butter, salt, and pepper to suit taste; have ready hot toast which has been well buttered and dipped into cream or rich milk, and spread the hash over the toast, and serve immediately.

Bone Meal for Grapes.

The editor of the London *Horticulturist* asserts that among all the fertilizers proposed for the grape, none embody more of the necessary ingredients than bone meal. It should be applied as early in the season as possible. About a ton to the acre makes a dressing that will prove valuable for two or three years.

Summer Mince Pie.

Four crackers, one and one-half cups of sugar, one cup of molasses, one cup of cider, two-thirds of a cup of butter, one cup of chopped raisins, one-half cup of currants, two eggs well beaten and stirred in, the last thing; spice to the taste.

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