
HOUSE，FARM AND GARDEN．
Ory Enrth as an Absorthent．
If one will observe when the cows
choose to lie down in the yard or phasture choose to lie down in the yard or pasture ground，rather than the soos or the bare of straw．The same is true of sheep We have tuken this hint，and furnished the cow．stables with dry earth betding． Lenves and straw are poor absorbents in comparison．In the pig pens dry earth has no equal．In very cold weather we
add straw or leaves，but until the weath－ er is very cold the animals will be mor changed once a forinight or week．In the chicken bouse we have learned it are over a sloping floor on roob ocenslonally scatter dry earth．The dropplngs roll down into a pile of dry week or oftener，and we can say the dorken house is free from offensive feathers tell of the heallh of fow gloss arth is a good preventative，too，of ver min on cattle，pigs，and poultry．It must be proeured at a dry time；and only promotes neatness and health，bu aves the very elements of the manur most of which would evaporate if no ike it as a bedding in the horse stables， prinkle the floors with as soon as the prinkie the hoors with as soon as the When removed from the stables，styes deop it should be kept under cove or apring use，or
wheat in the fall．

How to Tell Good Butter．
The Illinois State Superintendent o nspectors．of butter and cheese says；
When butter is properly churned，both to time and temperature it become irm with very little working，and is
enacious；but its most desirale state is hat of waxy，when it is easily moulded ato any shape，and way be drawn out t is then styled giltedged It is only n this state that butter possesses that ich，nutty flavor and smell；and showe a a rich golden－yellow color， ：which
uparts so high a degree of plensure in ating it，and which increases its value manifold．It is not always necessary hen it smelis fresh and sweet to taste lous feel in rubbing a little between the noger and the thumb expresses at once ts rich quality，the nutty smell and rich roma indicate a similar taste；and the ace shows its high state of cleanliness． $t$ may be neceessary at times to use the
rier，or even use it until you become an expert in testing by taste，smell and

27 Under no circumstances should matches be allowed to＂lie around loose＂ nown sa parlor matehes light readlly nd are as much more dangerous than he common matches as they are more ee kept in a tin box，which is not to be opened or taken from except by the master as mistress of the house．For each room where matches are used there hould be a metal match safe of some
sind，and the matches are to be kept in hat and nowhere else．
EFA A correspondent of the America Poukery Yara bakes bones for his hens， his hennery．The hens cluster round bat primitive bone－mill，gulping down
the rich moreels of gelatine，fat，ect．， with evident delight，and grow plump and hanasome ou the diet，besides at haying with unusual emfelency and con nuance．
the To revive old kid gloves，make
thick mucllage by bolling a handtol of lax－seed；add a lime diseolved aon of then，when the mixture cools，with plece or white flamnel wipe the gloves， enough to take off the dirt without wet． ting through the glove．

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