FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

Climate and Food on Wool. In a recent article the Western Rural anys that climate has an effect upon rool, and, to prove it, cites the fact they will go through the winter withhat the New England mills pay a out a paying gain. higher price for wool that comes from Southern Ohio, Western Pennsylvanna and portions of Western Virginia than for wool which comes from any part of the United States. There is a different texture to it. That climate has some effect is no doubt true, but the effect is rather indirect than direct. It has been claimed that the soil has an effect. That is true, too, but it is an indirect effect. The wool and fur of animals in a cold climate differ from the wool and fur of animals in a warm climate. But weather as cold as "Greenland's icy mountains" will not cause wool to grow. It is a wise provision of nature that the animal in a cold country shall be protected, but nature furnishes the covering by giving the animal a larger capacity for the consumption of food. This difference is due, not to a cold or warm temperature, but to the food. It is possible, too, that in certain sections there is greater system in management. Do not let us get the idea into our heads that anything, climate or other circumstances, can relieve us from the responsibility of good management.

Excessive Swarming.

It is easy to get lots of bees and little honey, says the Iowa Homestead. Expense of hives to shelter bees that only board themselves is a burden, and it is unsatisfactory to lug hives in and out of cave or cellar for the mere fun of the thing. We use hives that are interchangeable-one will sit on top of the other. It can be tiered chocolate, one cup of sugar, three to any height. In the season of 1888, when bees got into a swarming spree and got beyond our control, and when we were too busy to potter and fuss with them, we just let them swarm, thickens. hiving and saving all we could. We hived them on clean, new frames, with starters. When the fall honey was at ten stands as an experiment. To do of jelly; beat the whites of six eggs to this, first, set the clean, bright combs of hives to be united in the stand to be pour over the rice. placed on top. Place it on the other, in which has been placed the brown comb containing bee-bread and most of brood. They will fight some, but if of milk one-half hour, yolks of four honey is coming in fast it will not last eggs, one pint of milk; boil ten minutes then add the whites of the long. Smoke them severely and drum on the side of hive and set them to eggs; flavor with vanilla and serve It was late when I reached the little roaring, and they will soon kill off one | cold. queen and get acquainted. These five STEAMED PUDDING .- One cup each of flour, sugar and sour milk, two cups stands gained 400 pounds surplus in large frames, which brought \$15, sell- of raisins, two eggs, one teaspoon of

section honey.

whole new corn. While this is true, it is a most hazardous way to start An Envelope That Caused a Faththem, for they are liable to come to g er's Hair to Turn White. winter quarters burned out, lacking in It was a few evenings ago that an vigor and digestive powers, which ex-congressman sat with a couple of makes it exceedingly probable that newspaper correspondents and a government official in the latter's room in a big hotel in this city, says a writer in

Beets for Stock.

No succulent food is more greedily eaten by pigs at any age than beets. They may be fed any time from the first thinnings during the growing season to the fully grown roots in winter. They are especially valuable as a part of the winter food for breeding sows, and some beets should always bo saved for that purpose.

Water for Trees.

All plants and trees consume water in large guantities. Sir John Laws discovered that an acre of barley will take up 1.094 tons of water in two days. letter. Trees and plants are composed more largely of water than any other subgressman, who was nearest the door. stance. The branch of a tree will lose That individual turned pale and tremnine-tenths of its weight by drying. bled, but extended his hand as if to take the message. He hesitated an in-

A Bad Practice,

stant and his hand dropped nerveless. It is a serious mistake to stall pigs at A second time he essayed to take the any season, but the more so in the fall. message from the boy, and again he Spring pigs with an abundance of sucfailed. It was only after the third culent grasses hastily recover from the effort that he was apparently able to blunders made by their owners in feed- reach it, and by that time the government official for whom it was intended ing, but the fall pigs have not this great system renovator to aid them, had come to the door, read the address and suffer in consequence throughout and took the message from the trembling hand that had received it. the winter.

A Few Delicacies.

reading it, "it's only a note from an CHOCOLATE CAKE .- Cream one cup office seeker. Why it should be in of sugar with a piece of butter the mourning I don't know. As the office size of an egg, add two eggs, one cup seeker is a woman, I presume it is of sweet milk, one and two-thirds cups merely a feminine freak. of flour and two teaspoons of baking Everybody had noticed the strange powder; bake in layers, For the demeanor of the ex-congressman, and, filling take one-half cup of grated observing that an explanation was

expected, he finally said: tablespoons of sweet milk; let it heat "I think the use of black-bordered slowly in a saucepan, and when it boils envelopes ought to be prohibited by stir in a teaspoon of cornstarch wet law. The very sight of one unnerves with cold milk; simmer until it me. When I tell you why you may

THE MYSTERIOUS MESSENGER.

Finally he tendered it to the ex-con-

"Ah," said he, after opening and

doubt the truth of the tale, but it is ROCK CREAM .- Sweeten one cup of true, nevertheless. Ten years ago I boiled rice and put in a deep dish; lay was making a political canvass in my on it, in different places, small squares afternoon I received a telegram from a froth with a little powdered sugar; home stating that my boy, the idol of add one tablespoonful of cream and my life, was dying, and that if I wished to see him alive I must come at TAPIOCA CUSTARD PUDDING.-Threeonce. I went immediately to the hotel, tablespoons of tapioca soaked in a cup

took my satchel and started for the depot. There was no passenger train due for some hours, but a freight train was pulling out, and I jumped aboard. town on the river where I could take a

boat fer home. I hurried to the wharf and found that the steamboat would not pass until after midnight, and that ing 2 to 3 cents less per pound than soda and a pinch of salt; steam one I would thus be delayed many hours. was undecided whether to wait for

FOAM SAUCE .- One cup of sugar,

A SNAKE DANCE.

Extraordinary Religious Ceremony Exciting Encounter with a Big of an Arizona Indian Tribe.

When we reached the top of the mesa, says a writer in the Globe-Dem- remarkable adventure of W. H. Abbott, ocrat recounting a visit to the Moqui of indigo and racing fame, as narrated Indians, we found the Indians in holi- by a writer in the Military Gazette: day attire, which in most instances It was in the rains when the jamadar the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. They consisted of a breech clout of gaudy- told us that there was a huge alligator colored stuff, and a bunch of eagle under the bridge of the river. Sending were discussing politics, and the exfeathers fastened in the hair. The for a gun and a couple of bullets, we congressman was talking when he was interrupted by a knock at the door. children ran about entirely nude, and went up to the bridge, and, sure enough, In response to an invitation the door it was wonderful to see them playing about 20 yards off, there was an on the very brink of precipices hun- enormous "ghurial" some 20 feet long, was opened and a messenger boy stood at the entrance. In his hand was an dreds or feet high. They are climbers envelope with a heavy black border. from the time they learn to crawl, for It was such as those used to enclose a houses are generally entered by means of a ladder leading down into the indeath message or to indicate deep terior from an opening in the roof. mourning. The boy paused for a mo-The Moquis have a host of gods, the ment, evidently speculating in his mind principal one of whom is Omauwu, or as to the proper person to receive the cloud god, the deity who sends moist-

ure and rain. It is to him that their supplications are generally addressed, but, strange to say, they locate the abode of the gods in the under world instead of above the earth. They believe in the existence of the "Snake People," a supernatural race, who hold direct communication with the gods, and it is through them that all messages from the earth are delivered. Snakes of all kinds are supposed to have sprung from the "Snake People." and to hold constant intercourse with them. For this reason they are regarded with superstitious awe. The snake dance is a festival in which the

snakes are shown the greatest reverrough-and-tumbled ensued. ence, and songs are sung which are intended to express all of the wishes which the people wish the snakes to carry to the gods. After the dance the snakes are turned loose and are supposed to start immediately on their journey to the under world, where they deliver their messages to the gods. The first preparation for the snake dance is the capture of a large number of all kinds of snakes. No particular species is required, but the rattlesnake is the kind usually taken. as they are abundant among the rocks and sage-brush of the mesas and plains. The snake dancers, some district. At the close of a speech one fifty in number, are made up of two mystic orders, the "Antelopes" and "Snakes," or snake men. The mysteries of these orders are kept a profound secret, and the only information which their members will impart is that their souls have been transformed into the souls of antelopes and sn kes. A Moqui of these orders will tell you with the greatest assurance, "I am a snake," or "I am an antelope." and he really seems to believe it himself.

The dance began with a low chant, in which the blessings of the gods were invoked, and the only musical accompaniment was the incessant the steamboat or hire a boat and leave shaking of rattles, and a low buzzing

bleeding awfully, and was a gruesome sight-shirt in ribbons, arms and chest torn all over, both hands badly maim-

ed, and the right foot completely rope were busily engaged in hauling into the canyon she went.'

the rope, thinking it was still attached

to Abbott, when unexpectedly we saw

him come up a few yards from the

bink, evidently almost senseless. A

Rajpoot peon jumped in and dragged

his master up the slope. He was

to the doctor at Mozufferpore, taking

the defunct saurian on shore. I never saw a man in such a mess;

A PRETTY TALL STORY. Remarkable Feat of Railroading in

Colorado. Among the recent invigorated liars of the town is one who has just returned

from a session with ozone in Colorado, says the Omaha World-Herald. It was his first trip through the mountains and he was much affected by the feats of engineering skill there manifested, as witness the following: "I had heard of the curve on the

Pennsylvania, where, according to the time-card scheduled, the engineer is obliged to lean out of his cab and exwith his head just visible above the water. A well-directed shot caught change tobacco with the brakeman on him between the eyes, and the brute, the rear end, so as to give the passenmortally wounded, plunged into deep gers something to talk about, and I water, rolling over and over, and was now believe it. There was an old, carried by the tide down toward the bungalow, which was a quarter of a honest, horny-handed miner rode over the road out of Denver with me and he mile off. Abbott seized a long rope told me several things. Once while lying there, and rapidly made a slipknot in it, and, declaring that he was we were being jerked around the edge not going to lose so lovely a skin, of the mountains and could look out from under the roots of our hair at the kicked off his boots, and just as he was track opposite in the valley he told me -in socks, breeches and shirt-jumped

a tale. Said he: into the river, giving me and a lot of "That yere track down van is the other natives the other end of the rope one we're onto, but we won't tech it to hold. He got well into the middle of the stream and was quietly treading fer an hour. We run up the ravine an' down the side of the mountain an' water while we were all anxiously double back. Down thar is wher' Sim watching, when suddenly within two Lyle saved the paymaster o' the road.'

feet of the swimmer the alligator 'How?' I inquired. plunged straight up out of the water, " 'It were this way: The paymassnout foremost, as alligators generally ter's car was hitched onto the hind end do when hit in the head. Without the o' the freight train, his own engine least hesitation Abbott flung both arms right aroung the snout and a regular havin' had a little trouble with her runnin' gear an' bein' abandoned fer awhile up the road. Well, the train Presently the brute's whole body apwas sportin' and crawlin' aroun' the peared. Abbott calmly mounted him,

mountain when all of a sudden the back vidently trying the while to disenbrakeman comes a runnin' up an' yells gage the slip-knot. which had now got tight round his own arm, and to to Jim: "'Pull out! Pull out! They's a shove it over the brute's head. Then

gang o' rustlers has caught the engine the alligator started swimming and we an' are humpin' after us! Pull!' following down the bank, when, just "Well, Jim Lyle noticed that. He

as we were opposite the bungalow, he en at wunst that the engine had been pulled dead up, brought his tail out of fixed up an' that the rustlers had took the water, and with a fearful side her to ketch him an' git the dust in the cigars. sweep capsized Abbott, snapping at him as he fell. Then came another paymaster's car, so he pulled out right peart an' tried to outrace 'em, but it fight such as I never wish again to see, wan't no go. They kep' gittin' up on the pair eventually disappearing beneath the water. We hauled away at him.

"Pretty soon he struck the beginnin' o' this yere curve. He didn't slack a breath an' the conductor come rushin' up an' bellered:

" 'Fer God's sake, what kin we do? If we run this we'll climb a rail.' "Sallright,' said Jim Lyle. If I

calclate rightly that car's saved.' an he gave another pull out an' just as we reaches right here he jerked her crushed. He came to at once, and wide open. Then we see what was only said, "The rope's safe over his what. Lookin' back, I bein' on the nose;" and so it was, sure enough; for train, seen the last coach go up in the the natives to whom I had thrown the air, there was a jerk, an' away over

"Well, where does the salvation of the coach come in? I asked. I didn't doing things on that line. and, to add to the horror, down to the see any particular advantage in being

WINCED MISSILES.

Printing was introduced in England, by Caxton, in 1471.

A charter has been granted for the first railroad in Liberia.

The Pope has a full act of pearly white teeth well preserved.

Alaska cost the United States government 2 cents an acre.

Of the English bench of bishops, twelve are pledged abstainers.

The United States purchased Florida from Spain, Feb. 22, 1819.

Machinery has not yet entered the manufacture of French clay pipes.

The spawn of most fish sinks, but that of cod rises to the surface of the water.

A buried city, containing rolics in profusion, has been uncarthed in Honduras.

A Londoner advertises that he is "Porous Plaster Manufacturer to Her Majesty the Queen."

It is reported that a floating island 300 yards in diameter has been found in Honey lake, Idaho.

Buffalo Bill is spending considerable money in making a collection of French paintings of value.

It is a curious fact that there are 200,000 people in the United States who have artificial legs or hands.

A well in the south, from which a strong breeze rushed for years, has suddenly taken to spouting water.

Miss Lincoln, daughter of Minister to England Robert Lincoln, has become an acknowledged belle in London.

British soldiers not in possession of swimming certificates are forbidden to enter boats for purposes of recreation.

The finest diamonds visible at the Shah's visit to the Paris exhibition are said to have been worn by Mrs. Whitelaw Reid.

Tennyson, Darwin, Gladstone, Lincoln, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Edgar Allen Poa and Lord Houghton were born in the year 1800

It is estimated that a major-general in citizen's clothes deteriorates fifty per cent, more especially if he smokes common

Out of 246 men passing along Main street in Cincinnati on a recent alternoon 210 had lost one or more of the hind buttons off their coats.

There are still over 10,000,000 square miles of unoccupied districts in various heathen lands, where missionaries thus far have never entered.

A London journal states shirts of chain armor, which cost about \$500, are now worn by more than one distinguished person on the continent.

A San Francisco jeweler has just received \$700 for diamonds which he sold twentyfive years ago. The purchaser was honest but he had bad luck.

A brakeman on the Chicago & Alton locked three murderous tramps in a refrigerator-car. They have an ice way of

The drivers of Boston ice wagons suffer-

TUSSLE WITH A 'GATER.

Mouthed Monster.

Following are the particulars of a

The Poultry-Keeper remedy is doubtless a good one, and is as follows: "Add a teaspoonful of strong liquid carbolic | fourths of a pint of boiling water; acid to one and a half pints of water, flavor with nutmeg. and let the birds eat what they will of it. If they do not eat give them a teaspoonful of the water twice a day; the same with turkeys. If they do not improve, take one gill crude petroleum, one gill kerosene oil, one tablespoonful of pulverized boracic acid, and one teaspoonful of carbolic acid. Shake well before using, and with a sewingmachine can, force ten or twelve drops down the throat of the sick bird twice a day. Keep the bird warm and dry, and give no drinking water with this treatment. If they will eat, give the soft food (corn meal is best), mixed with the carbolic acid and water."

Another good remedy that has been recommended is hyposulphite of soda, 4 parts; red pepper, 1 part; rosin, 1 part; rhubarb, 1 part. Give each fowl a teaspoonful, and repeat every hour until relieved. It is a strong purgative, and after cleaning out the germs of disease give each bird a few drops of tincture of iron in a spoonful of warm water.

Keeping Sweet Potatoes.

We would say to a correspondent who inquires about keeping sweet potatoes, says the Western Rural, that the afternoon, and various people were they can be kept for several months in starting for home, among them a man an ordinary cellar if he is careful in handling them: They should be thoroughly dried before being put away, and so carefully handled as not to bruise them. The drying may be done in the sunshine, spreading them out had been watching the gray very incarefully so that the sun can get at them, and carefully covering them at voice: "Dan, don't you want a piece of night so that the dews will not get on them. Or they may be dried in a kiln. pricked up his ears, looked around and For family use drying in the sunshine would of course, be the cheapest and and assent; nor would he go on until would answer all purposes. The cellar | the stout man had come forward and in which they are kept should be dry, and it is better when possible to so put them away as that the air can brought the horse from Vermont. have free access through them.

Dressing Grass Land,

Some farmers top-dress their grass land directly after having. Others which brought the animal to a standprefer to wait until late in the fall. Those who have tried both methods prefer to top-dress late in the season. When the manure is spread upon the "elds directly after having, if there is * protracted spell of dry weather, the position, one word from a former dressing becomes so dry and hard that it takes a long time to render it solu- old relation between them. ble, so that its fertilizing elements can be appropriated by the grass roots. When applied just before the ground freezes the action of the frosts serves to disintegrate the lumps. The fall rains and early snows render it soluble, and its effects upon the grass will be plainly visible in early spring. Late top-dressing is preferable on the whole.

Catching Hawks.

If there is some predatory enemy of the poultry that diminishes their numbers by day it is probably the hawk. He will pounce down at the most unexpected times and swoop up chickens, tearing them to pieces for his bloody feast. Set a pole in the ground fifteen or more feet high, squaring the top just large enough to hold a steel trap al-

one-half cup of butter, one tablespoon of flour; beat to a cream, place over hesitating a messenger boy suddenly After the first chant had ended the the fire and stir in quickly three-

Buried Treasures. 'Tis true my later years are blest With all that riches can bestow.

hour.

But there is wealth, wealth cannot buy, Hid in his mines of "long ago." There jealous guard does Memory keep;

Yet sometimes, when I dream alone. She comes and takes my hand in hers, And shows me what was once my own.

I revel 'mong such precious things: I count my treasures o'er and o'er; I learn the worth of some, whose worth, Ah me! I never knew before.

And then all slowly fade away, And I return to things you know, With empty hand and tear-filled eyes, Back from the mines of "long ago."

A Horse's Memory.

I happened to be the witness of an odd scene the other day which, when recounted, may possibly amuse the reader, says a writer in the Boston Post. One of those not infrequent, but I must confess usually fictitious, necessities had arisen which take me to a stable-on this occasion to a large establishment in the vicinity of Chardon street. It was about 5 o'clock in and woman, who had a remarkable intelligent looking gray horse. Just as he began to trot down the lane by which the stable is reached from the street, a stout "party" who, I noticed, tently, suddenly cried out in a loud

cake?" The horse stopped short, uttered a faint whinny of recognition explained his interference. It appeared that several years before he had

where he owned him for some time, and as the beast was particularly docile he had taught him the true sense of the question the sudden asking of still. It is well known that horses never forget a person or place, and scarcely an event. No matter how much time has elapsed or how greatly the horse may have changed in dismaster will establish immediately the

A Card That Speaks for Itself.

Adjoining the Wesson farm I had a piece of land, writes Geo. Hubbard in the Flint, Mich., Journal. On the land was a barn, a well and some tile ditching. In the barn was some farming tools suitable to conducting scientific farming. The last time I inventoried my agricultural assets I was short two potato bug sprinklers, one half-dozen clevises and two cotton binder covers. They have been secured by some accumulating cuss, and if any friend should notice a chap decorated with a

at once. While I stood on the wharf appeared before me. Before I could

border. A strange feeling came over me, and it was only by the greatest effort that I was able to open the letter. The apprehension I felt in the few moments was awful, for 1 knew it must contain dreadful news. When finally I looked at the letter there appeared in a strange hand the single sentence: "You must come quick." I knew that I must hurry if I would

see him alive. The message decided mc, and at once I sought a boatman. and, securing his services, started down the river. I reached home some hours ahead of the steamboat upon which I had originally intended to come. I rushed to the house and was ushered into the presence of my dying boy. As

I approached the bedside he recognized me with a smile, and then said: " 'Papa, I've been waiting for you.

"Those were his last words, and in a moment he was dead. I then knew that the message I had received had come from him, and that he had been waiting for me. None of my family or friends had seen the message nor did they know anything about it. Afterthe bcat, but nobody had seen the messenger or ever heard of him. Not the slightest trace of him was to be

found, and I was led to the conclusion that the messenger had never appeared seen the message. "You can understand now why a black-bordered envelope always fills me with the greatest dread and apprehension, and why it was that 1 turned pale and trembled when the messenger boy who just appeared in the door tendered me the ominous looking message intended for you.

"You will observe that my hair is white, although I am yet a young man. Before that eventful night my

hair was as black as a raven's wing. "After I received the black-bordered letter from the mysterious messenger, who came to me at the boat landing that night, a feeling come over me such as I never knew since. The awful agony of that trip down the river will remain fresh in my memory until death ends all. When I reached home and stood at the bedside of my boy my hair was as white as snow. It has darkened some in the years that have since passed, but it will never be black again.

A Tomtit's Queer Nest.

In the letter box at the farm of Whitepark, Castle Douglas, says the Pall Mall Gazette, there was to have been seen a week or so ago a tomtit's nest, containing five young birds. Though when building the nest the materi l was frequently removed, the mother bird by its perseverence gained its way; the nest was built and five eggs safely hatched. During the incubation letters were frequently found right over the little dame, and at other log chain, six clevises, two potato bug times it managed to push some of the sprinklers and two canvases, each 9x17 letters out at the aperture by which the feet in size, I wish they would tell the postman had put them in. If Mr. fellow he forgot to steal the drive-way, McAdam happened to open the box

sound made by some of the men. antelope and snake men separated, the say anything he thrust into my hand a former drawing themselves up in a white envelope with a heavy black line to the right of the snake tent, and the latter moving in single file in a circle in front of them. One of the snake men next entered the snake tent and in a moment came out carrying a great rattlesnake in his mouth. The

snake was held firmly between the dancer's teeth, and the head and body of the reptile were entirely free, the Indian carrying the snake in his mouth, closing his eyes and allowing himself to be led around the ring by one of his companions, who continually stroked the head of the rattler with the eagle feather which he carried in his hand.

One after the other the snake men entered the snake tent and bringing out miles. the reptiles until the last one had been

removed. Some of the dancers took as many as five or six small snakes in their mouths at one time, while others danced around with several in their hands. While the dance was going on the antelopes kept up a continual shaking of their rattles, and chanted messages which they wished the suakes to carry to the gods. After all of the snakes had been removed from ward I made the most searching in- the tent the dancers gathered around quiries at the town where I waited for a ring which had been marked on the ground by a circle of sacred meal, and at a given signal all of the snakes were thrown to the center in a heap. For a moment there was a squirming, hissing mass in the ring, and then to any one but me, and that I alone had the dancers fearlessly thrust their pulled by the "noted "flea-bitten hands in among the snakes and boldly

grasped as many as they could hold. in every country in the eitghh dis-Each man, with both hands full of snakes, then dashed away at full speed, and did not stop until he had made his way down the narrow trail into the valley below. Here the snakes were turned loose, some heading toward the south and others toward the remaining points of the compass.

Alpine Funerals.

A clue to the origin of the Irish wake and other funeral pomposities, which we are sometimes inclined to regard as relics of barbarism, may be found in the funeral customs of some of the Alpine regions. The circle of acquaintance of the more prosperous people of the villages often extends over miles. of country; and the friends of a deceased proprietor will make long journeys to attend his funeral. The dictates of hospitality require that their physical wants be provided for, or, if not, they will meet at the inn and naturally have something very like a feist. In some districts, even before death occurs and the patient is in his last agonies, all around are informed of the fact, and expected to make a ceremonial last visit. They enter the sick room, take a long look at the dying man and go their ways. After death, when the body has been prepared for burial, a table is spread covered with refreshments, and 4pen house held till the funeral.

Grant's Gallantry.

When the honors came upon the fected. Meanwhile the patient should Grants, says America, the mistress of take internally four times a day a mixthe white house began to renew the ture composed of two drams of wine of 200 yards of blind ditch, 197 stumps, himself it would raise its wings and dream of her girlhood-to have her colchicum, two drams iodide of potash

edge of the river, just as we had drag- spilled over a mountain-side and being ged up her half-killed husband, rushed | shot by train-robbers.'

" Now don't git frisky,' said the old his young wife, wringing her hands and, naturally, half out of her man, 'I'm tellin' this yere an' 1 an't wits with terror. While she was done. That there coach, as I say, standing over him, and the servants sailed over offin the track just like the a week when a rat frightened him so that were carrying him to the house, he hind boy did when you used to play he jumped and broke a leg. "crack the whip" at school. It floated was singing, "Home They Brought Her down as nice as you please an' lit on Warrior Dead." A nice time of it we had out in a jungle, with no appliances to tie the severed arteries, and with a the force it was slung rolled ten miles patient who would insist on trying to to the next station. When we got there it was on the sidin' an' we pulled get out of bed to see how the skinning by, an' when the light engine load o' of the alligator was getting on. We tried to hire kahars, but the whole rustlers come bullin' along the townspeople was waitin' fer 'em an' the new country was under water, and they recemetery was started in good shape."" fused to budge from home; so we put him into a shampony and took him in-

How a Missouri Legistator Got the Floor.

Stilson Hutchins a well-known news- will. from 10 o'clock Tuesday till 7 o'clock the next morning to do the twenty paper man of Washington, D. C., says Henry George's Standard, used to live in Missouri, and at one time repre-Alex. H. Stephens' Kindness. sented his district in the legislature, of The grave of Rio, Mr. Stephens' which body he was elected the speaker. favorite dog, reminds one of the re-

mark which he made to his servants on There was in the same legislature a his departure for the governor's manmember from another district-a man sion: "If a dog passes here open the Hutchins had conceived a prejudice that an orange-blossom trust has long exist gate and give him a bone instead of against. This man wanted to bring up throwing a rock at him." The many a bill in the interest of his constituency. sheds around the premises recall his but he never seemed able to catch the remark that he would never own anyspeaker's eye. Day after day he would thing that he couldn't cover. Under wait until routine matters had been

one of these sheds the close carriage cleared away, when he would rise in in which he made his last campaign his place and, in the peculiar Missouri for congress still stands, much the high treble, address the president offiworse for wear. In this carriage he was driven by faithful Harry and nition without which no member of a parliamentary body can proceed. The right where it is. grays," and in it he received ovations member finally became tired of such trict. His open carriage is in good rehouse had been called to order he pair, in the ownership of Mrs. Sanmarched in with a rifle on his shoulford, and will yet do valuable service. der, which, when he reached his seat, An innocent old quarter-witted darkey shows alike the liberality of Liberty Hall of the past and present. He looks tine business was about all disposed of, like Darwin's missing link and is as

useless as any creature that crawls. it. When the last motion had been put works in that country. He has been hero fifty years. In anand disposed of our friend arose, placed swer to any question he says: "My his rifle against his shoulder, drew a name is Mr. Col. Lewis Hawkins; I bead on Speaker Hutchins, and drawled was called dat by old marster; i'se out, "Mr. Speaker." There was a always boa'ded at Liberty Hall;" and silence as of death in the assembly that is the extent of his information .chamber for a few moments, which was finally broken by the speaker himself, who slowly and distinctly said: "The gentleman from --- has the It costs only a few cents to cure the floor." The member lowered his rifle, worst case of rheumatism, says a New uncocked it, and then, as if nothing York engineer. Let the afflicted part had happened, proceeded to lay his bill

Foot-Cramping in China.

before the legislators.

Then rub the spot with the hand until Our esteemed Chinese contemporary, the heat is distributed over a large surface. Continue to do this for five Hu Pao, says the N Y. Sun, has been dog trotted off. minutes, and bearing as much heat as investigating the origin of foot-cramppossible without blistering. Have ing by Chinese women. The practice ready at hand a mixture composed of is of very ancient date. Some affirm one teaspoonful of finely pulverized that it arose in the time of the five table salt, thoroughly mixed with one dynasties-that is in the tenth century tablespoonful of molasses-golden syrup. A. D. Jao Niang, the mistress of Li Yu, Apply this mixture as a salve to the afthe last emperor of these dynasties. fected part after the skin has been well tied up her feet with silk into the shape of the crescent moon, and all the other in five years it has worn a hole seven reddened and rubbed with the hand. No matter how long the inflammatory beauties of the time imitated her. The rheumatism may have existed, almost literature of previous dynasties does made the same hole in fiftcen minutes with instant relief will be felt. Continue not allude to the custom. During the a chisel and hammer. the treatment every day and at the end reign of King Hi (1664 A. D.) an "Can the mosquito be exterminated?" is

of a week a permanent cure will be aftheir district. But the fashion was too give the proper reply with his eyes shut.

The Grave of Daniel Webster.

ed more from the heat last summer than the draymen, although having a temperature of 51º at their backs.

George Johnson, of Utica, paid \$1,200 for a trotting horse, and he hadn't owned him

The prize pumpkin at the county fair may consider itself handsome and popular, the track below in the valley an' with but it is not so strong a favorite as the prize onion on the next shelf.

Rombay has a servent thirty-six feet long in its zoological garden. Let this reptile be seen swimming at sea and the man who reported it would be called a liar.

Some one told a South Carolina negro that if he would drink a gallon of strong vinegar right down that he would never have headache again. He never

Fish have been caught in the Guif of California at a depth of 1,400 feet. It must be fun to pull in a half a mile of fish line and find a three-ounce perch on the

The formation of an orange trust in Boston is announced. The number of spinsters in that city leads to the suspicion ed there.

A Chicago alderman whipped two citizens Sunday night for standing on a street corner. It is hard to say what he would have done if they had been standing in the middle of a block.

It is estimated that the amount of gold and silver coin on the bottom of the Atlancer, but without receiving that recog- | tic Ocean is about \$50,000,000, and it is further estimated that most of it will stay

The Japanese are learning how to eat treatment and one morning after the meat. In 1885 only 30,000 head of cattle were slaughtered in all Japan. In 1886 the number increased to 116,000; in 1887, to 130, 500; in 1888, to 200,000.

he leaned up against his desk. He sat Col. North, who began life in England as there quietly until he thought the rou- a humble laborer, is now the nitrate king, and pays Chili \$1,725,000 per year export when he picked up his rifle and cocked | duties on nitrates produced by one of his

> A burglar who was captured by a woman at Elizabeth, N. J., says he could have broken loose from two men. She got him by the hair and hung on, and nothing he could do would shake her loose,

The Queen Regent of Spain has caused advertisements to be published in all the leading newspapers of her dominions offering the two prizes, \$5,790 and \$2,895, for the two best essays on the life of Christopher Columbus.

A Memphis policeman, who was called on to shoot a dog, managed to hit a boy in the leg, a man in the foot and a horse in the head, and, while he was scattering two or three more bullets along the street, the

William O'Hare, of Williamsburg, N. Y., was denounced in public by Charles Masters as "a pious old fraud with the instincts of Satan," and a jury assessed the damages of \$3,000. Mr. Masters said he supposed this was a free country.

A West Virginian trained a tiny stream of water to fall drop by drop on a rock, and inches deep in solid stone. He could have

edict forbade foot-cramping under a question which some people seem to think various penalties, the local officials be- difficult to answer. Yet any man who has ing held responsible in some degree experimented vainly with one mosquito for violation of the law by people in from bed-time to the breakfast hour can

ready set. No bate will be needed, but the trap should be firmly bound to the pole with rope or chain. The hawk will quickly trap himself, when he lights to make his customary observations.-American Cultivator. colander.

The Value of Bran.

Farmers who live near flouring mills can buy bran and other ship stuffs more cheaply in August and September than at any other season of the year. The demand for this is less now than it is later in the season, when other feed becomes scarce. Besides, millers are filling up all available room with wheat. Bran, in proportion to the space it occupies costs little, and Bull Run. In the tomb are the bodies there." This philosopher was right. the profit on it is small. If farmers have an extra dry room they can hardly put it to better use than filling it with bran and fine middlings.

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Feeding Fall Pigs. The most convenient and the easiest way to feed fall pigs is to give them ever.

the mortgage covering hiss as if angry at the intrusion. When perty. But if he will come back by his niece went, as was generally the appointment, divine or otherwise, I case, it was quite pleased and allowed will fill his skin so full of bird shot and her to stroke its plumage. other chinking that his mother can't

tell the seat of his pants from a

Ghosts are superfluities. An old The Grave of Daniel Webster. Maryland colored man once remarked The tomb of Webster occupies the to a Baltimore American writer: center of a large lot surrounded by a "These were hants ought to be ashamed high iron fence. The vault is entirely of theirselves. We've got trouble covered by soil and is only opened on enough in this world without being the death of one of the family. The bothered with 'em, and 'long as we tomb was last opened in 1862 to receive pay pretty smart for givin' 'em sleepthe remains of Fletcher Webster, who ing places in the graveyards they was shot and killed at the last battle of ought to have sense enough to stay

of children and grandchildren. Not a Ghosts are entirely unnecessary. The drop of Webster blood now remains in | earth is living. The ghosts have the existence. The last living member of unmeasured vastness of the universe the family is the wife of Fletcher for a pic-nic ground, and they ought Webster. On her death the tomb will to stay there. But in spite of abundonce more open to receive her remains, ant stories, it can be said of ghosts and will then be closed and sealed for- what the old major said of woman

Ghosts Superfluous.

haters, "There aren't any." Haute Express.

cross-eyes straightened. Wishing to surprise the president, Mrs. Grant telling nobody, sent for the most eminent oculist in America. He willingly promised to undertake the operation

which he assured her would be easy days. to accomplish and without danger. The good lady could not contain her-

self for joy, and, woman-like, gave way when she saw her husband, and confided to him her secret, the pleasure she had in store for him. He look. ed wistfully into those dear eyes which had held him with tender gaze through all the trials of a checkered career, and said, in his simple way, "My dear, I wish you would not change them. love them as they are, and they would seem strange if altered." Nor Launcelot, nor Romeo; nor lover of any clime gallantry.

and one pint of water. The dose is one tablespoonful before meals and on going to bed. It is not absolutely es-sential that the internal remedy should be the internal remedy should be the board of ceremonies, this edict was withdrawn. It is still universal in Kuantung and Kuangsi. be taken, but it helps. I was on crutcher four years and cured myself in seven

Columbus, Ga., Sun.

Cure for Rheumatism.

be exposed to the heat of a stove, un-

til the skin begins to redden and smart.

ial-ground just back of his own farm is Denman Thompson, it is reported, the last resting-place of this great man. has built at his own expense a solid His tomb occupies the centre of a large cut-stone wall in front of the old ceme- lot surrounded by a high iron fence. tery in West Swanzey, N. H. Apropos The vault is entirely covered with soil of cemetery walls, they used to tell a and is only opened on the death of one good story of Jim Fisk and his atti- of the family. It was last opened in tude toward such structures. A dele- 1862 to recieve the remains of Fletcher than ex-Queen Isabelia, who tips the scale gation from a country town in which Webster, who was shot in the last bat- at 249. he had resided for a time when a boy, the of Bull Run. In the same vault lie waited upon him in the height of his the bodies of children and grandprosperity, begging for a subscription children. Not a drop of Webster rank. Though as Kaiser he is the "War or age, ever spoke words of tenderer to put a wall around the old cemetery. blood now remains in existence. The Lord" of the German army, he remained "Not a cent." said Fisk, "I won't give last living member of the family is the but a brigadier until a short time ago, when

Hay fever will make even the most un- Nobody in the cemetery wants to get death the tomb will once more open Victoria made him a general. Moltke has assuming man blow his own horn. - Terre out and nobody out of it wants to get to recieve her remains, and will then urged him to come up to the first rank, and in."-N. Y. Tribune. be closed and sealed forever.

There was never so great hope for Mexico as now. An editor has been chosen as president of the Mexican Congress, which means vice-president of the republic. The only thing necessary to absolutely insure the prosperity of the country is that some In the quaint, grass-grown old burdisability befall the president.

> The Queen Regent of Spain and her family were weighed recently at San Sebastian. King Alfonso weighs 35 pounds; his mother, the Queen Regent, 118; his eldest sister, the Princess of the Austrias, 48; the Infanta Maria Theresa, 45. The whole family, therefore, weighs three pounds less

Emperor William has but recently honored bimself with any high military you a cent. It's a useless expense, wife of Fletcher Webster. On her he rose to be a major-general, Since Queen he is now a commanding general.

Jim Fisk on Cemeteries.