

ing for the want of potash and alkali. Underbearing pear trees can be made to bear good fruit by this treatment, and the dead grass around such trees will be dark green in color and will make a heavier growth.

Things Worth Knowing

A tablespoonful of turpentine boiled with your white clothes will greatly aid the whitening process.

The kitchen stove will be clean and bright if it is wiped off each morning with a cloth moistened with kerosene.

Stuffed figs are made by soaking the figs in grape juice, then split them and insert a marshmallow or some nuts.

To relieve the soreness of a painful soft corn, try binding it up each night with baking soda moistened with a little water.

Mussed pieces of tissue paper are

excellent to clean mirrors. First rub the mirror with a damp cloth, then polish with the paper.

Turn a plate upside down in the bottom of any vessel in which you are cooking any food a long time. The plate will prevent any possible scorching.

It is said that odors from boiling ham, cabbage, onions, etc., may be prevented by putting a piece of charcoal into the kettle.

To clean enameled tubs easily moisten a cupful of salt with turpentine and rub the tub with this.

Old boot tops cut into pieces of the required size and lined make good, thick iron holders.

If stove polish is mixed with very strong soap suds the luster appears at once.

To preserve flowers place a little saltpeter in the water.

To prevent maple syrup from crys-

tallizing, put a little cream of tartar with it in boiling.

Many times the metal end on shoe laces comes off before the lace has worn out. If you use the white of an egg usually left in the shell after breaking, you will find that, after drying on ends of laces, you will be able to lace your shoes as easily as when the end was metal.

I LOVE THEE, COLUMBIA

New National Anthem.

(Dedicated to the People of the United States.)

I love thee, Columbia, fair land of the west,

By nature with lavish hand bounteously blest:

Thy streams sparkling silver, thy plains waving gold,

Thy lakes Heaven's mirrors, thy peaks towering bold;

Where the palm's sunny leaves greet the evergreen pine,

And the fruits of the west and the east intertwine.

O refuge from oppression,
Thou home of liberty;
Whose starry banner shelters
Freemen, forever free!

I love thee, Columbia, for patriots died

To wrest thee from tyrants that justice denied.

Thy sons bled to save, from disruption and shame,

Thy banner of stars and thy glory and fame,

That, still, from thy shores there may ring o'er the sea

The watchword of freedom, the song of the free.

Chorus.

I love thee, Columbia. In progress and toil,

In love for thee rival the sons of thy soil;

From the Lakes to the Gulf, from Atlantic's wild roar

To majestic Pacific's gold-glistening shore—

Were a foe thee to threaten, thy name to despise,

Thy sons in invincible ranks would arise.

Chorus.

I love thee, Columbia, and true e'er to thee,

I'll strive for thy glory, O land of the free.

May "Justice to all," be thy motto so brave,

"Where none shall be master, and none shall be slave."

A nation united, as one we will stand:

Our hearts pledged to thee, our dear native land.

Chorus.

My own, loved country, O set thou the goal!

Throughout all the world spread the reign of thy soul!

O guide thou the nations, and bear thou the light

To mankind still suffering in bondage and night—

That freedom and peace, with the blessing divine,

Prevail o'er the earth and the glory be thine!

Chorus.

New National Anthem, by Henry G. Kost.

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