Farmer's Handy Feed Cooker. We desire to call our readers' attention to the Farmers' Handy Feed Cooker, which sold at the low price of \$12.50 for 50 gallon capacity.



By feeding poultry and stock with cooked food during the winter months, at least one-third of the food is saved; also having stock in a healthy condition, preventing hog cholera among your hogs, and insuring the hens, laying freely during the winter months when eggs are always wanted at high prices. This Cooker will pay for itself in one week's time and is without doubt the best and cheapest on the market-just what its name implies, a Farmer's Handy Feed Cooker. Upon application to the Empire Manufacturing Co., 613 H St., Quincy, Ill., a catalogue, giving a full description, may be obtained. They are made in all sizes.

Ironical Ifs.

If a man has no dust, his name is usually mud.

If a man has horse sense he should know when to say neigh. If the cat scratches you it is always the

sign of the Maltese cross. If a man would follow the advice he gives

to others he would soon be perfect. If the mercury goes higher than usual next summer blame it on the Dingley bill. If women were as fond of appearing in print as in silk there would be more lady writers.

If canes were to go out of fashion, some young men would have no visible means of support.—Chicago News.

Mr. T. G. Pearse, of Agricola, Alberta, Canada, passed through Chicago recently en route to England. He paints in glowing colors the advantages of Western Canada, and says that a large number of tenant farmers from the old country are making their homes there, and those who, during the past few years, have gone to that district from the United States are doing remark-ably well. They find the climate delightful, and, although in very poor circumstances when they arrived, they are mostly doing well and have excellent farms, some of them being able to loan money to the new settlers.

As an example of what has been done by colonists this year, he says Hugh Irvine, who has been in the country five years, threshed 3,200 bushels of wheat and received threshed 3,200 bushels of wheat and received 72 cents per bushel for it. James Fitzgerald raised 3,000 bushels in the fourth year of his settlement, while James Atkinson had a crop of 3,500 bushels. These men started without any capital, and were induced to go through the representations of the Canadian Government Agents. The development of the Edmonton-Klondike route has cre-ated a home cash market. Hundreds of square miles of magnificent farming country yet remain for cultivation in the Saskatche-

MIGHTY STREAM OF CORN.

Last Year 186,000,000 Bushels of Amer-Ican Corn Was Shipped to Points in Eu-

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.-The tassel and the 'silk" of the American cornstalk are now shaken in the summer breeze for Europe as well as America. For months a mighty stream of corn has poured out of Atlantic ports for all parts of the old world. Last year the total exports of corn amounted to 186,000,000 bushels. This was a half more than America ever had sent abroad before in a year. But the constant going of ships with more cargoes show that the foreign demand is still far from being supplied.

GOLD'S GREAT INCREASE.

The World's Product This Year 20 Per Cent. Larger Than in 1896.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.-The directors of the mint, from information now at hand, say that there is substantial evidence that the world's product of gold for the calendar year 1897 will approximate, if not exceed, \$240,000,000, an increase of nearly 20 per cent. over 1896. The gold product of the United States for 1896 was \$53,100,000; for 1897 it will approximate \$61,500,000, an increase of \$8,400,000.

Six Victims of a Fire.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.-Six members of one family were killed by flames and smoke in a fire that occurred early yesterday morning in Jersey City. The dead are: Adolph Reich, 42 years old, the father; Emma Reich, 42 years old, mother; Tillie Reich, 22 years old; Ida Reich, 15 years old; Albert Reich, 14 | ain't overmuch of it, more's the pity. years old; Gustav Reich, eight years old. Several others were injured, and it may be that another member of the ill-fated family will die.

Pando Meeting with Poor Success.

HAVANA, Jan. 3.-It is reported from Santiago de Cuba that Gen. Pando is greatly disheartened on account of the obstacles which prevented a successful campaign against the insurgents in that province. He declares that he has no base of operations, the insurgents' control being so complete that it is impossible to convey supplies to Spanish columns in the interior of the province.

Missouri Federal Appointments.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 3.-The Journal (rep.) says President McKinley will in a few days name the federal appointees for the Western district of Missouri. The Journal says Will Kessinger, of this city, will be surveyor of the port; F. E. Kellogg, of Rich Hill, collector of customs; Ed Durham, of Maryville, United States marshal, and R. E. Lewis or Charles Burtin United States attorney.

Wanderer Becomes a Baronet.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.-Clarence Danvers Davenport, a young Englishman, who has been leading a hand-tomouth existence in Portland since Au- ple that eats it on a hot plate, but the

AN OLD CATERER ON TERRAPIN.

When It Is Ready the Divine Satisfaction Is in "Eating It All Yourself."

James Prosser, a famous colored caterer of this city, dead long ago, furnished the following formula for preparing and serving terrapin. It was published in a gastronomical journal at the time when he was on earth:

"You can't enjoy terrapin unless the day is nippin'. Temperature and terrapin go hand in hand. Now, as to your terrapin. Bless you! there is all the difference in the world in them. The more northerly is the terrapin found the better. You eat a Florida terrapin -you needn't despise it, for terrapin is

terrapin everywhere-but you get a Chesapeake one or a Delaware bay one, or, better still, a Long Island one, and there is just the difference between ten dollars a dozen and thirty-six. Warm water kinder washes the delicate flavor out of them. Don't you let Mr. Bergh know it, but your terrapin must be boiled alive. Have a good big pot, with a hot fire under it, so that he shan't languish, and when it has got on a full head of steam pop him in. What I am going to give is a recipe for a single one. If you are awfully rich and go in for a gross of terrapin, just use your multiplication table. Just as soon as he caves in watch him and try his flippers. When they part when you pry them with your finger nail he is good. Open him nicely with a knife. B'iling of him dislocates the snuff box. Pick out every scrap of his meat. There The most is in the j'ints of the legs and side lockers, but if you want to commit murder just you smash his gall, and then your terrapin is gone forever. Watch closely for eggs and handle them gingerly. Now, having got him or her all into shape, put the meat aside. Take three fresh eggs-you must have them fresh. Bile 'em hard and mash 'em smooth. Add to that a tablespoonful of sifted flour, three tablespoonfuls of cream, salt and pepper (red pepper to a terrapin is just depravity) and two wineglasses of sherry wine-wine as costs \$2.50 a bottle ain't a bit too good. There never was a gotega in all Portugal that wouldn't think himself honored to have itself mixed up with a terrapin. Now you want quite a quarter of a pound of the very best fresh butter, and put that in a porcelain-covered. pan and melt it first-mustn't be browned. When it's come to be oily put in your terrapin, yolks of egg, wine and all. Let it simmer gently. B'iling up two or three times does the business. What you are after is to make it blend. There ain't nothin' that must be too pointed in terrapin stew. It wants to

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole sys-tem when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable Such articles should never be physicians, as the damage they will do is often ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the gen-uine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testi-monials free monials free.

Sold by Druggists, price 75c per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Saved Their Lives.

It was at an afternoon tea and the crush was simply horrid. It seemed that nothing would save the few men present, when one quick-witted woman exclaimed: "Ladies, please remember there are gentlemen in the crowd!" It was all that preserved the precrowd!" It was all that preserved the poor things from a horrible fate.-Philadelphia North American.

In Olden Times

People overlooked the importance of perrecipie overlooked the importance of per-manently beneficial effects and were satis-fied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently overcome habitual constipa-tion, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system. Buy the genuine, made by the California Fig Syrup Co.

Of course the cold cash we hear so much about comes from the Klondike.-Atchison Globe.

I cannot speak too highly of Piso's Cure for Consumption.—Mrs. Frank Mobbs, 215 W. 22d St., New York, Oct. 29, 1894.

How silly it makes one feel to reach out to shake hands and not be noticed by the other fellow.-Washington Democrat.

Missionary Training School. The Chicago Medical Missionary Training School, 1920 Wabash avenue, has been es-tablished for the purpose of preparing Christian young men and women to labor in city missionary and rescue work. Conse-crated young people of both sexes are re-ceived as students without regard to creed, provided they are prepared to devote their lives to Gospel philanthropic work. The instructors are physicians, trained medical nurses and philanthropic workers who give their services free; and students are fur-nished with room and tuition free of charge and boarded on the European plan at a cost of from \$1 to \$1.25 per week for meals. The superintendent of the school, who may be addressed at 1926 Wabash ave., Chicago, will give all the information needed regarding this purely non-sectarian, benevolent e-tablishment, its aims and work.

Sufficiently Stuffed Alrendy.

"Did you say," inquired the cannibal chieftain, "that the captive had just been graduated from college?" "He so stated, I believe," replied the head

chef, deferentially. "If that is the case," continued the dusky potentate, "I think you may dispense with the stuffing."-N. Y. Press.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All ruggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Everyone's favorite adjective, which he secretly enjoys when applied to himself, is "prominent."—Atchison Globe.

All kinds, little or big. St. Jacobs Off Surely cures aches and pains.

Intuition—What some people claim to have when they succeed in making a good guess.—Chicago News.

While asleep, cured soreness, stiffness? All right, St. Jacobs Oil did it.

If you must tell your treables, tell them to a reporter.—Atchison Globe.

SKILL OF DOCTORS TESTED.

Fifteen Years of Suffering.

"I thought I should surely die."

burden almost unbearable. Indigestion and dyspepsia are so common that only the sufferer from these diseases knows the possibilities of misery that inhere in them. A typical example of the sufferings of the victim of indigestion is furnished in the case of John C. Pritchard. He went on for fifteen years, from bad to worse. In spite of doctors he grew constantly weaker, and thought he would die. He got well, however, and thus relates his experience: experience:

"For fifteen years I was a great sufferer from indigestion in its worst forms. I tested the skill of many doctors, but grew worse and worse, until I became so weak I could not walk fifty yards without having to sit down and rest. My stomach, liver. and heart became affected, and I thought I would surely die. I tried Dr. J. C. Ayer's Pills and they beloed me right away. I

When the stomach begins to fail in its duties, other organs speedily become affected in sympathy, and life is simply a burden almost unbearable. Indigestion and dyspepsia are so common that only the sufferer from these diseases knows the possibilities of misery that inhere in the possibilities of the sufferings this statement:

"I formerly suffered from indigestiom and weakness of the stomach, but since I began the use of Dr. J. C. Ayer's Pills, I have the appetite of the farmer's boy. I am 46 years of age, and recommend alk who wish to be free from dyspepsia to take one of Dr. Ayer's Pills after dinner, till their digestive organs are in good order."-WM. STEINKE, Grant, Neb.

Dr. Ayer's Pills offer the surest and swiftest relief from constipation and all its attendant ills. They cure dizziness, nausea, heartburn, palpitation, bad breath, coated tongue, nervousness, sleeplessness,

Valley and is sold at low prices

Had Looked Them Over.

Mistress-Bridget, are there any letters for me this morning?

Bridget-Only two postal cards, but there's nothing of importance in them.-Fliegende Blaetter.

Accounted For.—"What's all this Austri an trouble about, anyway?" "It's all over a question of national language." "Oh, I see, that accounts for the war of words."— Philadelphia North American.

Feeble nerves-severe weather - neural-gia. Soothing cure. St. Jacobs Oil.

If a man has money it is a sign that he is mighty careful with it.—Atchison Globe.

Put a pain to sleep? St. Jacobs Oil does This with Sciatica. Torment cured.

As a matter of fact, nobody believes in a hell except for his neighbor.-Ram's Horn.



Both the method and results when Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant and refreshing to the taste, and acts gently yet promptly on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and cures habitual constipation. Syrup of Figs is the stipends left them by their father's only remedy of its kind ever produced, pleasing to the taste and acceptable to the stomach, prompt in its action and truly beneficial in its effects, prepared only from the most healthy and agreeable substances, its many excellent qualities commend it to all and have made it the most popular remedy known.

Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50 cent bottles by all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who may not have it on hand will prooure it promptly for any one who wishes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N.Y.

gust, has become a baronet. He received a cablegram announcing the death of his uncle, Sir Richard Danvers, of Danvers court, Lincolnshire. Eng., and informing him that he had succeeded to the estate and title.

Rich Strike in the Isabella Mine.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Jan. 3 .-A rich strike of gold has just been made in the Isabella mine, a property of the Isabella Gold Mining company. The ore encountered will run from \$1,000 to \$2,000 to the ton, and was found in the eighth level in the mine. The vein is about ten inches wide, and is being successfully cut at the seventh and sixth levels.

To Redeem Farming Lands.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.-New England's abandoned farms are to be reclaimed, restocked and reoperated on a plan that is philanthropic and commercial. A corporation has been formed to purchase arable land and farm buildings in New England and to resell both on such terms as to attract purchasers in large cities and so relieve the congest ed centers of population.

Entombed Miners Rescued.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan., 3.-Various reports have been in circulation regarding the mine disaster at the mine of San Jose de Garcia at Guanajualo. At first it was reported 35 miners had been drowned in the lower workings of the mine. Authentic but brief reports have just been received which show that the entombed miners were all rescued.

More Money for Pullman's Sons.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3 .- The twin sons of the late George M. Pullman will come into possession of \$18,000 each as the result of their interests in life insurance policies carried by their father. These policies are now being adjusted, and the amount the sons will receive will be in addition to the \$3,000 a year will.

Better Times Predicted.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.-Men of note in all lines of trade in New York testify that the New Year opens up with a promise of better times. They say that the country has already entered upon an era of prosperity and, unless something unforseen shall occur, 1898 will eclipse its predecessors in a general revival of business.

Santa Rosa Feels the Earth Tremble. SANTA ROSA, Cal., Jan. 3.-Two distinct shocks of earthquake, the most severe which have been felt here for many years, awoke the residents of the city and vicinity shortly after five a. m. on Saturday. The shocks were each of about 25 seconds' duration and

the vibrations were from west to east. No damage has been reported.

real thing is to have it on a chafing dish, and, though a man oughtenter be selfish, there is a kind of divine satisfaction in eating it all yourself."-Philadelphia Times.

be a quiet thing, just pervaded with a

most beautiful and natural terrapin

aroma. You must serve it to the peo-

Sleep as an Aid to Digestion.

There is a time-honored notion that a nap after meals promotes digestion, and, filled with this belief, a large number of persons habitually take a nap after dinner, and think they are doing precisely the best thing for their health. There are other good authorities, too, who claim that sleep during digestion clouds the mind and predisposes those who indulge in it to apoplexy and stupidity. A French scientist has made this subject a study, and by exhaustive experiments has discovered that sleep does not aid digestion, but rest and a horizontal position are of great advantage in promoting the proper conditions for perfect digestion and assimilation of food .- N. Y. Ledger.

THE GENERAL MARKETS.

KANSAS CITY. Mo., Jan. 4. Stockers...... 3 00 66 4 35 Native cows..... 2 75 @ 3 75 HOGS-Choice to heavy 3 00 @ 3 65
 SHEEP_____
 2 75
 6 4 40

 WHEAT_NO. 2 red......
 88
 6 90
No. 2 hard 821460 CORN-No. 2 mixed 23%00 OATS-No. 2 mixed 201466 8 50 @ 8 75 Fancy prairie..... 7 50 @ 7 75 BRAN (sacked) BUTTER-Choice creamery.... 52 66 18 66 19 CHEESE-Full cream 10% EGGS-Choice 19 @ POTATOES..... 60 60 ST. LOUIS. CATTLE-Native and shipping 4 25 60

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| Texans | 3 | 20 | 6 | 4 | 00 |
|---------------------------|--------|------|-----|---|--------|
| HOGS-Heavy | 3 | 30 | 60 | 3 | 65 |
| SHEEP-Fair to choice | -4 | 00 | 46 | 4 | 50 |
| FLOUR-Choice | - 4 | 70 | 60 | 4 | 85 |
| WHEAT-No. 2 red | | 934 | 460 | | 93% |
| CORN-No. 2 mixed | | 26 | 6 | | 26% |
| OATS-No. 2 mixed | 221400 | | | | 23 |
| RYE-No. 2 | 451400 | | | | 4636 |
| BUTTER-Creamery | | 17 | 60 | | 22 |
| LARD-Western mess | - 4 | 45 | 60 | 4 | 55 |
| PORK | 8 | 75 | B | 9 | 00 |
| CHICAGO. | | | | | |
| CATTLE-Common to prime | 3 | 85 | 6 | 5 | 40 |
| HOGS-Packing and shipping | 3 | 30 | 60 | 3 | 7214 |
| SHEEP-Fair to choice | 3 | 60 | 64 | 4 | 70 |
| FLOUR-Winter wheat | - 4 | 70 | 60 | 4 | 80 |
| WHEAT-No. 2 red | | 903 | 696 | | 9114 |
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| FLOUR-Winter wheat | - 4 | 70 | 0 | 4 | 80 |
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| WHEAT-No. 2 red | | 90% | 193 | | 91% |
| CORN-No. 2 | | 26 | 00 | | 26% |
| OATS-No. 2 | | 22 | 63 | | 2214 |
| RYE | | 46 | 10 | | 4634 |
| BUTTER-Creamery | | 15 | a | | 21 |
| LARD | 4 | 75 | 10 | 4 | 8214 |
| PORK | 8 | 75 | a | 9 | 07% |
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| CLARING TA ST. LINE | 1.1 | 00 | - | | |

| CATTLE-Native steers | -4 | 00 | (a) | 5 | 15 |
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| HOGS-Good to choice | 3 | 90 | 66 | 4 | 10 |
| WHEAT-No. 2 red | 1 | 00 | (a) | 1 | 0014 |
| CORN-No. 2 | | 34 | 500 | | 35% |
| DATS-No. 2 | | 28 | GR | | 28 1 |
| BUTTER-Creamery | | 15 | 198 | | 23 |
| PORK-Mess | 8 | 59 | 1 | 9 | 00 |

would surely die. I tried Dr. J. C. Ayer's Pills and they helped me right away. I continued their use and am now entirely well. I don't know of anything that will so quickly relieve and cure the terrible sufferings of dyspepsia as Dr. Ayer's Pills."-JOHN C. PRITCHARD, Brodie, War-ren Co., N. C. This case is not extraordinary, either in This case is not extraordinary, either in would surely die. I tried Dr. J. C. Ayer's content to the protocol of the signs of a more-that are, after all, only the signs of a more-deep rooted disease. You can find more-information about Dr. Ayer's Pills, and the diseases they have cured, in Ayer's Cure-book, a story of cures told by the cured. This book of 100 pages is sent free, om request, by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass-

