A CHOICE SELECTION OF INTER-ESTING ITEMS.

the Happenings of the Day-Historical and News Notes.

Germany and France have decided to twist the tail of the American bog.

The utter vanity of worldly pomp is again revealed. The queen regent of Spain has the measles.

Anna Gould should not look upon her \$3,000 000 it restment as a total loss; perhaps some of it may come back as alimouy.

Mrs. Morgan once pald \$18,000 for a him \$3,000,000.

It seems that nowadays the cheerful

Imbecile who cannot get a job as a

parachute jumper becomes a "s target" with the same result. Cuba is having a revolution of her

own which will keep things interesting until some of the Central American republics catch the infection again. The whole Gould Castellane match

was epitomized in the cable inquiry

of the Count's careful mamma; "What settlement? That is all there is of it. Probably Captain Howgate now feels like kicking himself for lodging the police authorities for thirteen years.

Will be now sue for false imprison-We desire to call the attention of

can girl to go outside of this country for first-class matrimoulal material. mosquite in the South End on Saturday. That's the best place to catch a mosquito; unlike a wasp, the south

end of a mosquito is the harmless end. A St. Louis boy who is 17 years old voted five times at the last general properly operated does more to obvielection "becalise he was asked to do it." That young man has all the obliging qualities which characterize the

against professional football. This their work and his interment is left to may be due to the work of the Inter- his immediate friends. The nation does national Peace Association, which sug- not concern itself about the dropping gests that henceforth foot ball matches out of one member of its national asshould be settled by arbitration.

successful politician.

is provoking that the very day Ameri- matter whether he was worthy or ca's wonderful new naval armor was worthless. Congress sets aside a day described came the announcement that | whe | members who delight to indulge the Krupp works, in Germany, had in elegan orators inflier their verbal turned out some remarkable new- dirges upon an empty house. All busiprocess armor plates.

A Montana bank cashler who is un- luguis ions and in many cases bombasder arrest for defalcation stoutly avers that his accounts are correct to a Nor is this all. The speeches delivered penny. He admits, however, that as an official of the bank he has loaned self about \$80,000. There is truly Coleonic as well as Chesterfieldian.

Pennsylvania proposes to publish an illustrated book on the birds and animais of the State and proposes to furnish a copy for every school and public library in the commonwealth. Such a book will, of course, be useful in many ways, and we may look for other States to follow the example.

Germany, having placed restrictions on our beef, the Secretary of Agricul- to amend its practices in this regard. ture favors a more rigid inspection of German wine, beer, etc., coming to this as a rule and the expense is enormous. country, and excluding the articles not found to be pure. This is well; but the exclusion should be made to cover alleged olive oil and a number of other food products.

If the stage only can hold out a little while longer it will be all right. Mrs. George O. Ford, who as Miss Florence Wickes recently eloped and married a she had known only one week, announces that she is now ready to apply for a divorce and that after she gets it she proposes to go upon the stage. That should settle it-about a foot.

The cosmopolitan Chicago Evening Post in its description of the triumphant return of a Chicago survivor of the disaster which did not happen to La Gascogne called attention to the fact that "the first to embrace him with true French demonstrativeness were P. Fallon and Albert S. Loeb." This becomes more characteristically French when it is known that the P. in Mr. Fallon's name stands for Patsy.

If there are Americans who want to annex something. Newfoundland presents just the subject and the present state of affairs there the opportunity. The country is anxious for annexation. It has a trade we want. It is divided from our continent by only a narrow strip of water. Its position, at the mouth of the St. Lawrence, makes its acquisition highly desirable. It invites rational jingoism.

It is not strange that Emperor William should be indiguant and chagrined that a German crew should have saved only one woman in a shipwreck when they managed to save so many of themselves. A court must deal unflinchingly with the Elbe crew. There is no n did not care for the safety of any ives. The poor girl cast

TOPICS OF THE TIMES. less fellows, while others cried "push her off." When the fishing smack picked up the boat, in the bottom of which Anna Brucker lay more dead Comments and Criticisms Based Upon to the one Englishman, the pilot, to help her aboard the smack, the other men not being willing. The German steam ship company cannot afford to lie under the foul reproach of the conduct of such

That the arid region, if reclaimed, would itself fill up in the tapse of time is, of course, obvious, but Judge Emery, of Kansas, suggests a reflexing feature many instances the teacher herself in the fact that the land reclaimed in creates in the school-room the inatten thing to do provided the teacher knows this way would be taken up by small tion, disorder and rebellion which she land owners holding many homes. The is constantly endeavoring to present. The School Journal. millions who would work their way or remedy. What may be termed the into the new land would be land-own- "school-room voice" is more provocapenchblow vase, but Willie K. Vanders ers and not wage-carners. The large tive of disorder and disobedience than but's family far is said to have cost furms which in the more fertile regions all other causes combined. we been made to assume almost the We are all susceptible to the influnature of agricultural monopolles play ence of voices. Occasionally we hear their own part in destroying the every one that rouses every element of our possible to reclaim and America and often seems the most unreasonable. give it over to the small but presperous antagonism to the speaker. "I can farmer the result would not only be a never hear that woman speak," said Globe. temporary relief of the crowded labor a bright young college student of one market, but a permanent benefit in of her instructors; "that I don't just the trans of building up a large popula- long to cuff her ears; yet she is one tion of independent land holders.

That is a remarkable showing which benefit of these out of work. The not agreeable to us, and are obliged to real teacher. And the source of him to, and is then asked how many whole sum of benefits paid out is \$430, 555. It is to be noted that of the various benefits mentioned that which is credited to strikes is the least, and the Miss Helen Gould to the fact that it is President of the union reports that in not absolutely necessary for an Ameri- addition to these payments the society successfully protected the rate of wages throughout the great linnacial depres sion of 1894. The figures are worth A New York man says be caught a perusal, not only as an exhibition of the beneficial workings of some abor unions, but as an Hustration that the institution of the labor union entirely apart from the institution of the strike has its reasons for being and its func tions to perform. The labor union

ate strikes than to instigute them.

The United States is alone among the nations of the earth in one particular. When a member of Parliament dies Harvard College faculty has voted his surviving colleagues go on with sembly. His work is done. There an end. In the United States, however, Although great minds think alike, it when any member of Congress dies, no ness of the country, however pressing. is brought to a standstill while this upon an occasion called melancholy arprinted and disseminated at the expense of the United States. Who is there that in the course of a long life There's no cause for alarm. has not received some half dozen of these, and who is there that has ever given a moment's perusal to them? This memorial day is subsequent to the funeral itself, which is conducted at the public expense. Members of Congress engerly seek position upon the funeral committees because they take an excursion, sometimes across the continent, at the public expense an excursion which is generally turned into a junket. The country would do well The grief of the occasion is perfunctory

Beating the Bounds.

In several places in England-at Oxford and some of the London parishes, for instance a singular procession may her of men and boys carrying white willow wands walk round the boundaries of the parish and afterwards dine together. This custom is called "beat-Wisconsin skating rink manager whom ing the bounds," and arose in olden times, when parish or village boundaries were not so accurately marked out as they are nowadays. It was once a great ceremony in country districts. The choir sang hymns, the parson read the Gospel for the day under a treehence styled the Gospel Tree and occasionally boys were whipped, or thrown into a river, or bumped against trees at certain spots, the better to impress upon their memories the exact position of a boundary. This was all done in good part, for the lads were rewarded, and during the procession money and other gifts were distributed among the poor.

His Real Meaning.

"Poppa, w'at did Jeff'son Smif mean, w'en he tole sister Celestine she looked 'romantic,' sittin' out dar on de back po'ch?" asked little Clay Peters.

"Out dar on de back po'ch, las' ebenin'?" inquired Mr. Peters, looking in the ness or the noisiness of the room, the direction indicated, as if for inspira-

"Yessah," replied little Clay, his face alert with curiosity.

"Well," said Mr. Peters, rubbing his chin thoughtfully; "Jeff'son am young an' foolish, an' dere's no tellin' exactly w'at he meant. But w'at he mos' likely war intendin' to say war, dat C'leatine looked rheumatic. Dat," continued Mr. Peters, raising his voice, as he caught sight of the flutter of a pink calleo skirt in the next room, "dat, my son, am nachelly de way a young female pusson w'at sits out on de back po'ch ob a cool ebenin' will look mighty quick, of she don' look it already."

A women will say her boy is bad. but she will not allow others to

PIL AND TEACHER.

How the Voice of the Teacher May Provote Schoolroom Disorder and talk easily, to talk agreembly, to talk Text Books Not Always Desirable.

"The Schoolroom Voice."

of the lovellest members of the faculty."

NOTES ON EDUCATION. | set in produces incalculable infury to | RELPFUL FARM HINTS the throat and lungs Teachers, more than any other class of persons, are prone to this unhoise of the voice and than affive, the captain had to appeal MATTERS OF INTEREST TO PU- the consequent physical suffering and disability.

"How teachers should talk" will be considered in a subsequent article. It is corustn that they should be able to Disobedience-State Uniformity to in such a way as to produce no injury to the vocal organs, and at the same time to do this talking-a vast amount of which is so necessary-in a way to There is no doubt wnatever that in secure attention command respect, and quiet disorder. All this is a very easy -as she should know-how to do lt -

Old Times Vs. To-day,

The Maine schoolboy who hanged himself because his teach or scolded him must have been extremely enshive. The old way was to put tacks in the teacher's chair or to lay for blin benomic welfare of the masses. Were it mature into the most violent, and what hind a woodpile with a buil dozen East. When the head was taken out water-seaked spowballs when he went home from school at night-Boston printed slip which said: "This package

Test of the Teacher.

The test of the teacher is efficiency. Not the showing he is able to make in any trouble with anything that man an examination, but the final result be sent in, for his reputation had been We are all familiar with that quality can produce in the character of those made. He not only packed his fruit and is made by the Cigarmakers' Internal of voice whose effect is described in who come from under his hand. This vegetables in the best manner, but sorttional Union, whose officials have just the significant words, "setting one's efficiency is not the sort that can be ed the sizes, and when the package was reported that Juring the year 1834 the teeth on edge" and really the meta- counted upon always to work an in opened the buyer knew just what to exunion paid out \$44,566 in strike bene- phorical expression is often the literal crease of salary. But to leave a last- pict from top to bottom. We know a fits. \$106,758 in sick beneats, \$62,158 truth. We generally conceive, too, a ling mark on the mind and character of farmer who takes his grain to market in death benefits, and \$174,517 for the dislike for the person whose voice is a pupil is the unmistakable sign of the and dumps it wherever the buyer tells

Teacher (as a mouse runs across the floor)-Now, keep your seats, children :

ess of mind in order to free ourselves er's acquirements, but deeper fortunate if we can succeed in our en-

Children are even more susceptible quickly won or repelled by them, and although they are themselves probably mere instructor.—Edward Eggleston. ignorant of the cause certain tones arouse in them an obstinate, sullen and rebellious spir.t. Contempt. too, for the speaker is sometimes excited, as in the case of the bad boy who whispered to his neighbor while he pointed to his "esteemed principal," "Jest hear her! You might know we'd got company. She's got her dressy tone on."

Tones make far more impressions than words. Try to call a child to you, be seen every Ascension Duy. A num- and no matter what hard words you use to him if the tone is a caressing one he readily responds to it. Call him the most endearing terms in a harsh tone and he is effectually repelled. We hear persons talking in an adjoining room. Perhaps not a word of their conversation is intelligible to us, yet we confidently assert, "They are very angry," or, "They are very much amused," or, "Somebody is in trouble."

A good voice is "an excellent thing" in either man or woman, but to the teacher it seems to be one of the essential elements of success. The susceptibility to its influence upon the part of the child, the fact that he cannot escape from it, no matter how irritating it may be, and the necessity for the teacher to be talking during the greater part of the time, all emphasize the necessity for the tone to be an agreeable-at any rate, not a disagree-

able-one. There are many teachers who contend that pleasant tones are impossible in the school room; not that they are not desirable, but that the largeinattention or disorder of the pupil, make the use of them out of the question. Such teachers believe and maintain that it is only loud, hard and sharp tones that can have the effect of securing the attention or quelling the disorder of a room full of children, and regulated their voices on that assumption. There could not be a greater mis-

Moreover, no bad quality of voice can be constantly used without its having a bad physical effect upon the speaker. A natural tone is always an greeable tone. Natural voices can never. at least, give offense, although some possess far more sweetness than A hard, sharp or nacel tone lication of a wrong use of the vocal organs, and this wrong use persist-

go through an elaborated 'ogical proc- this power lies not in the teachfrom the prejudice so engendered- the very fiber of his character. "Words have weight when there is a man behind them," said the prophet of Concord. It is the man or woman beto voices than are adults. They are hind the instruction that makes the real teacher a great deal more than a

> Song of the Schoolma'am. Talk, talk, talk, To your Tommy and Harry and Dick. "Moral sussion" them till You could wish with a will

For the reign of the old-fashioned stick Talk talk talk. And endeavor to vocally prod. To the virtuous way,

Need a dose of the old-fushioned rod. Talk talk, talk. But the boy of to-day is no fool, And "suspension" 's a jest-A vacation-a rest

The bad boys that each day

From the arduous duties of school. Talk, talk, talk, As they struggle with needle and three How to hem and to fell And to back stitch you tell, Though to seamstress' trade you're no

Talk, talk, talk, With a class of but twenty or less, One with fingers and mind Unto sewing inclined Might secure a good lesson, I guesa

Talk, talk, talk, With a roomful of sixty or more, Such a lesson-that might Be a source of delight-Just becomes a detestable bore.

Talk, talk, talk, We are patching old garments with new. It is really too bad, But to match this new fad All our schools should be changed through and through.

Talk talk talk. But oh, where on the face of the globe, Tell me where I can find Me a new-fangled mind, And the patience ascribed unto Job.

Talk, talk, talk,

And then read the new rules of the board. If you venture to kick You'll be dropped, oh, so quick-Ly, and that you can hardly afford.

A curiosity arrived in Baltimore on a ship just from Hong Kong. It was a 'chow" dog-said to be the kind the Chinese raise to be eaten.

Birds are covered with feathers besause these combine the highest degree of warmth with the least weight.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE AGRI- jured by cold. CULTURIST AND STOCKMAN.

Hundy Holsting Device.

Above the Average. The farmer who is content with aver-

who produces anything and puts it on have made for themselves. The gall is the market in prime condition is the formed by a small fly of the genus one who I going to make sales first and get top prices. The average man comes along later. No matter what you have to sell put it in the best possible condition for market and see to it that you can adopt the same ratio that we oner saw in a barrel of apples in the of that barrel there was exposed a was produced and packed by John Smith, who guarantees that when you see the top you see the whole." The commission man told us be never had bushels he has. His grain is never looked at nor weighed by the man who has bought it for years; if it is not in good condition he insists on inspection, but if he knows it is all right he inloads and gets his pay. A reputation of that kind is worth more than a good farm, for it brings a greater return. Honesty is not only the best policy, but it is absolutely necessary to final success. Carelessness is the costliest habit a farmer can fall into, and trickery, while it may seem to succeed for a time, must cost more than it comes to in the end.- | color, as keeping it exposed to light for Farm News.

A Barrel Churn.

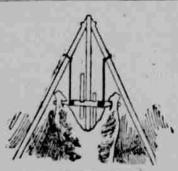
The Illustration from an exchange shows a favorite form of churn where the work is all done at home by hand. Nobody who is anybody now uses the back breaking. It explains itself. It



THE BARREL CHURS.

the grains of butter and then turn the barrel churn over a dozen times more. Although the churns usually do not provide for it, it is well to have a strainer of somewhat coarse wire beneath the butternilk vent to catch the lumps of butter that would otherwise go out with the milk.

Windlass for Dressing Beef. When cattle are killed on the farm It is usually a difficult matter to hoist the carcass in order to skin and dress it properly. Block and tackle are orten not at hand, and even when readily obtainable, the place where the beef must be killed frequently does not have a support high enough or strong enough to hold the heavy animal clear of the ground. The hoisting device shown in the accompanying illustration from the American Agriculturist is unexcelled for simplicity, cheapness and adaptation to farm butchering. Where other devices use



complicated windlasses or long levers

for hoisting, this differs from all of them in simply using the gambrel stick for a windlass, and the bock joints for the bearings in which it revolves. As the supporting ropes may be fastened to any strong, high object, the plan may be used with any gambrel stick by boring holes and inserting short lever arms. The illustration shows it used with an ordinary derrick of three legs bolted together at the top. The supporting ropes are fastened to the two outer legs, thus suspending the carcass, and are wound around the gambrel stick windlass.

Early Tomatoes Early tomatoes bring high prices. One way to get them is to begin now. and sow the seed in a box, keeping the box in a suitable place in the house When the plants are large enough transplant them to a cold frame outside which is carefully protected and

well covered, to keep out the frost. In the proper season put the plants in the open ground. Care will have to be tested, as the plants are quickly in-

The Grape Apple-Gatt.

Every now and then a paragraph ap-A Farmer's Reputation for Honesty pears in the papers, says Mechan's Is Worth Everything - Form of Monthly, about a grape vine which has Churn that is Extremely Popular- wonderfully produced bickory nutsi The supposed fact has even been used to prove that pollen has an immediate influence in modifying the character of a fruit! If any one would only take age crops sold in the average condition | the trouble to cut one across, he would must accept only average prices. He | see into the little chantals the insects



Cecidomyia. It is a remarkable fact that each species of the gall-fly family has its own form of the gail. In some way this results from the varying power which obstructs the growth energy. A large rock falling into a stream turns larger and differently formed current than a smaller one. The acid deposited by one insect is more or less obstructive to the formative energy than the acld of another. This is only the general principle. No one, so far as the writer knows, has worked the matter out in detail.

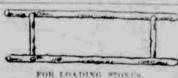
Old Clover Seed. We have sown clover seed that we know was three years old, and it came up as thickly as seed that was of the previous year's growth sown in the same field. The old seed is lighter in a long time has faded it, but its germinating povers are not impaired. We have no doubt that clover seed retains its vitality much longer than this, Wherever a crop of clover seed is grown the seed remains in the ground, as a old-fashloned dasher churn. It is too good deal or it always shells while it is being tary sted. Such fields produce years after without org. Yet slways during the . The the chiver seed must

with water in and seem that it could Miss ... having swollen until nearly andy to germinate; but the facts show that the seed is not injured by several repetitions of this process, or else that the clover seed, like some others, is slightly oily, and only germinates when it is moistened near the surface of the soil and under favorable conditions for light and warmth .-American Cultivator.

Carrots as Feed.

Carrots are highly relished by horses. A few carrots, Ted raw, after being swings and oscillates and brings the sliced, will prove a delicacy to cows, butter. Whether one is a believer or and fed once a day they will promote dishellever in washing butter, he will the appetite and keep the unimals in stop churning when the butter is in the good condition when other foods may granular state, the size of grains of not be acceptable. Carrots are used wheat. Then the buttermilk is drawn by some dairymen as a regular food carefully off. Some good butter makers | for cows, in order to give a deeper color dash water cooled to 62 degrees upon to the bitter, and are highly esteemed by them for that purpose. Cooked and thickened with bran they make an excellent mess when fed warm on a cold

To assist in loading stones, we have found the simple indder shown in the accompanying illustration of considerable value, says an exchange. It



consists of two strong oak poles joined by means of a 114 inch pin a foot from each end. The poles are about three inches in diameter. Place one end of the ladder on the ground and the other on the wagon and it is ready for use. and saves lots of lifting.

Linseed Meal.

This is recognized in stock feeding as a valuable food article. In protein . nutrients, those parts of greatest value in a food article, it is second only to cotton-seed meal. At the same time it is a food that from its oleaginous nature has a healthful effect on the digestive organs of the animals to which it is fed. The large proportion of food nutrients contained, together with the healthful effect of the same, renders this article especially desirable.

The harrow and the roller are among the most important of the farm tools. Without the liberal use of both the small grain crops can hardly be put in properly.

Charcoal is almost a necessity for hogs.. Its cost is but little, and all that is required is to place a large piece in the pen daily, as the hogs will easily crush it for their use.

In some classes of farm products overproduction has not so much to do with the depression of prices as has poor quality. This applies equally to products so widely different as cattle and fruit.

From the time an egg is dropped until it be consumed it loses both bulk and weight. This process goes on much more rapidly in hot weather, hence the difficulty of procuring fresh eggs in summer. When this evaporation can be effectually stopped the egs remains sound and good for a great